

LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL CORPORATION
Lake Central High School
LGI ROOM – Enter Door E
8400 Wicker Avenue, St. John, Indiana 46373
Monday, March 6, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Central School Corporation was held in the LGI ROOM at Lake Central High School, 8410 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN on March 6, 2017. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Don Bacso, Vice-President
Janice Malchow, President
Howard Marshall, Board Members
Cindy Sues, Board Member

Board Members Not Present

Sandy Lessentine, Secretary

Administration Present

Sarah Castaneda, Director of Secondary Education
Al Gandolfi, Assistant Superintendent
Becky Gromala, Director of Special Education
Rob James, Director of Business Services
Bill Ledyard, Director of Facilities
Theresa Schoon, Director of Primary Education
Dr. Lawrence Veracco, Superintendent

Administration Not Present

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 6, 2017

*All Motions Were Passed With a 4-0
Vote Unless Otherwise Indicated*

I.	Call to Order – <i>Janice Malchow</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. and Pledge of Allegiance led by Board President, Janice Malchow.
II.	Verification of Receipt and Review of Board Packet – <i>Janice Malchow</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has each member successfully received the electronic version of tonight’s board agenda, along with the individual supporting documents, reviewed them, and directed any questions or corrections to Dr. Veracco, prior to this meeting? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bacso – Yes Lessentine - Absent Malchow - Yes Marshall – Yes Sues - Yes
III.	Agenda: Approval, Deletions, Additions - <i>Dr. Veracco</i> - Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howard Marshall moved to approve the Agenda. Cindy Sues seconded the motion. Motion carried.
IV.	Correspondence – <i>Janice Malchow</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was no correspondence.
V.	Liaison Committee Updates – <i>Janice Malchow</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> West Lake Joint Managing Board: Howard Marshall – Next meeting will be on March 23rd at Lake Central. Dyer Parks Department: Don Bacso – Next meeting Wednesday, March 8, 2017

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		<p>3. Personnel Interview Committee: Howard Marshall</p> <p>4. Legislative Committee: Janice Malchow</p> <p>5. Lake Central Education Foundation: Janice Malchow</p> <p>6. Wellness Committee: Janice Malchow</p> <p>7. Dollars for Scholars: Cindy Sues</p> <p>8. Dyer Redevelopment Committee: Don Bacso</p> <p>9. St. John Redevelopment Committee: Cindy Sues</p> <p>10. Schererville Redevelopment Committee: Sandy Lessentine</p>
VI.		<p>Official School Board Business Topics: Consent Agenda – <i>Dr. Veracco</i> – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Bacso moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried.
	A	<p>Approval of Minutes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 20, 2017 Regular Meeting • March 3, 2017 Work Session (No Minutes Taken)
	B	<p>Approval of Claims, Payroll and Extracurricular Expenditures</p>
VII.		<p>Official School Board Business Topics: Regular Agenda</p>
	A	<p>Superintendent – <i>Dr. Veracco</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Board Recognition <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Kahler Middle School Wrestling Team <p>The Kahler Wrestling Team was recognized for being undefeated during the season and winning Conference Championship. Team members: Mark Bolz, Aiden Brennan, Johnny Cortez, Colin Crimmins, Eryck Cruz, Michael Degrado, Nathan Delgado, Enzo DeRosa, Alex Enriquez, Julius Gomez, Ethan Jones, Dominic Juarez, Shawn Kenny, Matt Malesh, Brent Krasek, Bryan Maluchnik, Kyle Maluchnik, George Mansour, Josh Mathews, Joey Marx, Danny McGrath, Leo Mendez, Naseeb Mohammed, Devyn Moore, Adam Mordus, Chris Mosher, Colin Mouch, Dylan Mullens, Michael Nelson, Gavin Olson, Riley Pederson, Riley Peterson, Isaiah Ponce, Alberto Pulido, Cole Robinson, Michael Sanfrantello, Rateb Sharawi, Logan Stein, Nick Tattini, Mason Textor, Matt Ventrice, Jacob Warn, Josh Warn, Jaylen Winslow, Preston Yahne. Coach: Dave Triveline. Assistant Coach: Vince Pucci.</p> 2. Legislative Update

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Legislative Update 3.6.17

HB1007 EDUCATION COURSE ACCESS PROGRAM (COOK A) Allows the department of education (department) to authorize

course providers to offer course access program courses that provide for the delivery of instruction through any method, including online technologies, in the course access program (program). Requires the department to: (1) oversee the program; (2) approve courses offered in the program; and (3) maintain a course access program catalog. Requires the department to negotiate a tuition fee for each offered course. Requires the school corporation in which an eligible student is enrolled to transfer the tuition fee for a course to the authorized course provider. Makes changes to the definition of "eligible student" to include a student who is pursuing a diploma to qualify for enlistment in the armed forces of the United States or National Guard for students who are at least 22 years of age and less than 36 years of age. Requires the department to establish to a maximum number of students who may enroll in a course access program that are pursuing a diploma to qualify for enlistment of the armed forces of the United States or National Guard. Provides that the amount of the tuition payment for an eligible student that is at least

22 years of age and less than 36 years of age pursuing a diploma to qualify for enlistment in the armed forces of the United States or National Guard may only be paid from funds currently appropriated to the department. Provides certain reasons a school corporation may deny a student's enrollment in a course access course. Provides that a parent of an eligible student or an emancipated eligible student may appeal the school corporation's decision to the department. Allows the state board of education to adopt emergency and nonemergency rules.

Current Status: 2/23/2017 - Referred to Senate Education and Career Development

Recent Status: 2/23/2017 - First Reading

2/22/2017 - Referred to Senate

Amendments:

1. School districts are not required to transfer the tuition fee if the exact course is already offered
2. School districts are not required to transfer the tuition fee if the student is already in line to earn 8 or more credits during the current semester.

SB29 ELECTIVE COURSE ON INDIANA STUDIES (KOCH E) Requires each: (1) school corporation; (2) charter school; and

(3) accredited nonpublic school; to offer Indiana studies as a one semester elective course in its high school curriculum at least once every school year. Provides that, if fewer than 15 students of a public school, a charter school, or an accredited nonpublic school enroll in an Indiana studies course, the public school, charter school, or accredited nonpublic school may offer the course as an independent study course.

Current Status: 2/28/2017 - Referred to House Education

Recent Status: 2/28/2017 - First Reading

1/24/2017 - Senator Bray added as coauthor

Recommendation: Unnecessary course. Every 4th grade student spends the entire year learning Indiana History. Indiana history and the economy of Indiana is also already partially covered in 8th grade History, 11th grade History, Economics and Government.

SB34 BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR SCHOOL EMPLOYEES (MERRITT J) Provides that a school corporation, charter school,

or nonpublic school shall require an expanded criminal history check and expanded child protection index check on each employee every five years. Provides that a school corporation, charter school, or nonpublic school may implement the requirement for updated background checks for current employees over a five year period. Provides that the employee is responsible for costs associated with obtaining the background checks unless the school corporation, charter school, or nonpublic school agrees to pay the costs. Makes an exception to the provision that an applicant or employee may not be required to obtain an expanded criminal history check or expanded child protection

index check more than one time during a five year period.

Current Status: 2/28/2017 - Referred to House Education

Recent Status: 2/28/2017 - First Reading

2/14/2017 - House sponsor: Representative Behning

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Amendment: Make this part of the initial and renewal of teacher licenses in Indiana which will guarantee it is completed every 5 years. Allow the IDOE to negotiate with various providers to get the best price based on large quantity and take one thing off the plates of individual school corporations.

SB62 SCHOOL SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PILOT PROGRAM AND FUND (HEAD R) Provides the department of education (department), in collaboration with organizations that have expertise in school based substance abuse prevention, shall develop: (1) materials to assist schools to develop a formal substance abuse prevention policy; and (2) a model school based substance abuse prevention policy. Establishes the school substance abuse prevention pilot program (program). Provides the department shall administer the program. Establishes the school substance abuse prevention pilot program fund to: (1) provide grants to schools to use for evidence based substance abuse prevention programming; (2) provide grants to schools to embed mental health personnel in schools; and (3) hire a research partner to conduct a cross agency cost benefit analysis of Indiana's current school based prevention program expenditures to provide information for future funding decisions for school based prevention. Establishes requirements regarding the program. Requires the department to annually submit a report concerning the program to the governor, legislative council, and the budget committee. Requires each school corporation and charter school to develop a formal school substance abuse prevention policy. Makes an appropriation.
Current Status: 2/28/2017 - Referred to House Education
Recent Status: 2/28/2017 - First Reading
2/23/2017 - House sponsor: Representative Ziemke

Amendment: Create permanent funding if it is the desire of the general assembly for schools to add personnel in a non classroom services area.

SB117 UNITED STATES HISTORY COURSES (KRUSE D) Requires that each high school United States history course must include the study of the structure of state and federal governments. Moves existing language concerning the study of the Holocaust. Requires that all students enrolled in a high school United States history course must take the United States Civics Test prepared by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. Allows school corporations to determine whether a passing score on the test is required to receive credit for the course.
Current Status: 2/28/2017 - Referred to House Education
Recent Status: 2/28/2017 - First Reading
2/2/2017 - Senator Smith J added as coauthor

Recommendation: Do not mandate any more tests. Trust local school district curriculum related to high school Government course which is already a subject required for graduation.

SB409 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING (HOUCHIN E) Provides that formal collective bargaining between a school corporation and an exclusive representative may not begin before September 15. Provides that before September 15 of the first year of the state budget biennium, the department of education shall provide the parties with an estimate of the general fund revenue available for bargaining in the school corporation from the school funding formula. Provides that if the parties do not receive a certified estimate from the department of education within 30 days after the fall count of ADM, the parties may use the school corporation's estimate of the general fund revenue available based on the school corporation's fall count of ADM. Provides that a factfinder must conduct a public hearing not before November 15, and the hearing must be completed by February 15 of the calendar year after the start of formal collective bargaining.
Current Status: 1/31/2017 - House sponsor: Representative Torr
Recent Status: 1/31/2017 - Third reading passed; Roll Call 51: yeas 49, nays 0



1/31/2017 - Senate Bills on Third Reading

Recommendation: end the use of the current compensation model which does not permit local schools the necessary flexibility to create better equity in teacher pay. Keep the component that prohibits deficit financing with ramifications for Superintendents and School Boards in the event of a fiscal crisis.

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		3. Strategic Plan Update
B	.	<p>Assistant Superintendent / Personnel – <i>Al Gandolfi</i></p> <p>1. Personnel Recommendations – Action Required</p> <p><i>I. Certified Retirements and Leaves:</i></p> <p><i>A. Retirements:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Alan Angel, Science Teacher, Lake Central High School (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year; 23 years of dedicated service). 2. Sher Cosgrove, Grade 2 Teacher, Homan Elementary School (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year; 28.5 years of dedicated service). 3. Roberta Harnish, Science Teacher, Lake Central High School (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year; 19 years of dedicated service). 4. Silvana Morgan, Educational Technology Trainer (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year; 23 years of dedicated service). 5. Patricia Nuzzo, Grade 3 Teacher, Watson Elementary School (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year; 30 years of dedicated service). 6. Patrice Smith, Grade 3 Teacher, Watson Elementary School (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year; 22 years of dedicated service). 7. Kathleen Szewciw, FACS Teacher, Lake Central High School (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year; 18 years of dedicated service). 8. James Tonkovich, Physical Education Teacher, Lake Central High School (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year; 33 years of dedicated service). <p><i>B. Leaves:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Karen Radencic, Grade 3 Teacher, Watson Elementary School (requesting sabbatical leave for the 2017-2018 school year). 2. Cassie Ladwig, Grade 1 Teacher, Kolling Elementary School (unpaid day February 27, 2017). <p><i>II. Classified Appointments:</i></p> <p><i>A. Appointments:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Meryl Larson (St. John), Bookkeeper, Grimmer Middle School (effective March 13, 2017). <p><i>III. Certified Extracurricular Appointments:</i></p> <p><i>A. Appointments:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Raymond Davis, Science Olympiad Assistant/Lake Central High School (effective for the 2016-2017 school year). <p><i>IV. Classified Extracurricular Appointments:</i></p> <p><i>A. Appointments:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tina Barnett, AM Traffic Duty Supervisor/Lake Central High School (effective February 28, 2017 for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year). <p><i>V. West Lake</i></p> <p><i>Certified Retirements:</i></p> <p><i>A. Retirements:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maria Kosmakos, Special Education Teacher, West Lake/Eads Elementary School (effective at the end of the 2016-2017 school year; 15.5 years of dedicated service). <p><i>Classified Appointments and Transfers:</i></p> <p><i>A. Appointments:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Jacqueline Ullrich-Meinzer, Nurse, West Lake/Lake Central High School (two days per week for 8 hours per day – one on one with student effective February 20, 2017). 2. Sydni Troy, Paraprofessional, West Lake/Watson Elementary School

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		<p>(effective February 21, 2017).</p> <p><i>B. Transfers:</i></p> <p>1. <i>Jamie Livingston, Paraprofessional, West Lake/Watson Elementary School</i> <i>(transferring to the substitute paraprofessional list effective February 20, 2017).</i></p> <p><i>Certified Extracurricular Appointments:</i></p> <p><i>A. Appointments:</i></p> <p><i>Karen Brann, Special Education Teacher, Lake Central High School</i> <i>(purchase of plan time from February 21, 2017 to end of 2016-2017).</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Bacso moved to approve the personnel recommendations. Cindy Sues seconded the motion. Motion carried. 2. Retroactive Substitute Pay Rates – Action Required • Cindy Sues moved to approve. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. 3. Wake Up Call Recap
	C	<p>Director of Primary Education – <i>Theresa Schoon</i></p> <p>1. Professional Leaves – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Bacso moved to approve the professional leave requests of Kathi Tucker and Patricia Giese. Cindy Sues seconded the motion. Motion carried. <p>2. Professional Development Update</p>
	D	<p>Director of Secondary Education – <i>Sarah Castaneda</i></p> <p>1. Professional Development Update</p> <p>2. Professional Leaves – Action Required</p> <p>Howard Marshall moved to approve the professional leave requests of Erin Novak (3), Jereme Rainwater, Myra Lolkema (3), Jennifer Zollman, Denise Kelly, Louise Tallent (2), Jolene Bogacki, Beth Hamascher, Jeff Sherman, Russ Serrato, Leta Sena-Lopez, Doug McAllister, and Cyndi Hurley. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.</p> <p>3. Field Trip Requests – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cindy Sues moved to approve the field trip requests of MJ Martin (2), Angela Guzman, Leta Sena-Lopez, Jeff Sherman, Laura Bloom-Johnson, Corrie Erdelles, Jennifer Zollman and Denise Kelly. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. <p>4. LC Physical Night</p> <p style="text-align: center;">  Physicals will be performed by: <i>"Great Lakes Orthopedics & Sports Medicine, P.C."</i> Appointments are scheduled every 3 minutes. There will be no walk-ins accepted and appointments must be made through the Lake Central High School Athletic Office. When: April 20th, 2017 Where: Lake Central High School Nurse's Office Time: 5:00 pm—8:00 pm (last appointment will be at 7:57 pm) Cost: \$25.00 (cash, check, or money order made payable to Lake Central Athletics) This event will be opened to anyone required to have a 2017-2018 high school/middle school physical. Appointments will be taken starting March 7th, 2017 until all appointment have been filled. Please call the LC Athletic Department at 219-365-8551, ext. 2041 or 2054. Physical forms will be available online on April 11, 2016. </p> <p style="text-align: right;">  </p>

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	E	Director of Special Education – <i>Becky Gromala</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Professional Leaves – Action Required<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Don Bacso moved to approve the professional leave requests of Kelly Hartman, Michelle Stan, Lee Ann Kerber, Sue Mamrila, Dawn Papachronis, Jillian Sanchez, Karen Stahr, Mary Ann Medved and Amy Monesmith. Cindy Sues seconded the motion. Motion carried.2. Disabilities Awareness Month
	F	Director of Facilities – <i>Bill Ledyard</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. LCHS Sign Update
	G	Director of Business Services – <i>Rob James</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Professional Leave Request – Action Required<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cindy Sues moved to approve the professional leave request of Rob James. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.2. Donations – Action Required<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kahler Middle School received a donation of \$100 from the Exelon Corporation as part of their Dollars for Doers program.• The Lake Central High School Interact Club would like to donate \$500 to March of Dimes.• Howard Marshall moved to approve all donations. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.3. Update on Unpaid 2016-2017 Student Fees
VIII.		Public Comments– <i>Janice Malchow</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• There were no public comments.
IX.		Board Comments and Consideration of Future Agenda Items – <i>Janice Malchow</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cindy Sues: The Wake-Up Call Program was fabulous. Very impressed.• Don Bacso: Heard nothing but positive comments about the Wake Up Call program. Congratulations to Kahler Wrestling team on their undefeated season.• Janice Malchow: Echoes the comments regarding the Wake Up Call and the Kahler Wrestling team. Believes all the middle schools and the high school have qualified for Science Olympiad. Congratulations to the Centralettes and the Cheer Team, heard they both did very well at Nationals.
X.		Board Calendar of Future Activities – <i>Dr. Veracco</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next School Board Meeting is March 20th.
XI.		Adjournment – <i>Janice Malchow</i> – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Howard Marshall moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.
Minutes of the February 20, 2017 School Board Meeting were approved and adopted by the Board of School Trustees at the March 6, 2017 School Board Meeting.		
		Janice Malchow, President

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ATTEST:

Sandy Lessentine, Secretary

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