

**LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL CORPORATION**  
**Lake Central High School**  
**Kay Trapp Board Room – Enter Door E**  
**8260 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN 46373**  
**Monday, February 17, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**  
**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2020**

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, 8260 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN on February 17, 2020. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Janice Malchow, Board Member  
Howard Marshall, Secretary  
Cindy Sues, President  
Don Bacso, Board Member

Board Members Not Present

Sandy Lessentine, Vice President

Administration Present

Sarah Castaneda, Director of Secondary Education  
Becky Gromala, Director of Student Services  
Rob James, Director of Business Services  
Terry Mucha, Director of Human Resources  
Dr. Lawrence Veracco, Superintendent  
Theresa Schoon, Director of Primary Education  
Bill Ledyard, Director of Facilities

Administration Not Present

Rick Moreno, Director of Technology

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

- I. Call to Order – *Cindy Sues*
  - The School Board Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm and Pledge of Allegiance led by Board President, Cindy Sues.
- II. Agenda: Approval, Deletions, Additions – *Dr. Veracco* – **Action Required**
  - The Personnel Recommendations under Terry Mucha’s section was revised.
  - Don Bacso moved to approve the Revised Agenda. Howard Marshall seconded the motion.
  - Motion carried.
- III. Correspondence – *Howard Marshall*
  - There was no correspondence.
- IV. Liaison Committee Updates – *Cindy Sues*
  - A. Personnel Interview Committee: Howard Marshall/Sandy Lessentine: No report given.
  - B. Schererville Redevelopment Committee: Sandy Lessentine: No report given.
  - C. Wellness Committee: Sandy Lessentine/Janice Malchow: No report given.

- D. Lake Central Education Foundation: Janice Malchow: Will be working swim meet concessions and selling Fannie Mae Candy at Schererville location as fundraisers.
- E. Legislative Committee: Janice Malchow: Continued efforts to stress to legislators the importance of public education.
- F. St. John Redevelopment Committee: Cindy Sues: No report given.
- G. Dollars for Scholars: Cindy Sues: Application process still open to seniors.
- H. Dyer Redevelopment Committee: Don Bacso: Mary Tanis new Dyer Town Council member representative. New Fire Department near Central park will open this Spring.

V. Official School Board Business Topics: Consent Agenda – *Dr. Veracco* – **Action Required**

A. Approval of Minutes

- Special Board Meeting: February 3, 2020
- Regular Board Meeting: February 3, 2020

B. Approval of Claims, Payroll and Extracurricular Expenditures

- Howard Marshall moved to approve. Janice Malchow seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

VI. Public Comments Regarding Action Items

- Linda Copelin requested that the School Board investigate her resignation prior to their vote.

VII. Official School Board Business Topics: Regular Agenda

A. Superintendent – *Dr. Veracco*

1. Recognitions:

- a. Grimmer Middle School: Jr High All State Band

BUILDING PRINCIPAL'S AUTHORIZATION: *[Signature]* DATE: 1/30/20  
 All Recognition Requests must be approved by Dr. Veracco before being presented to the School Board  
 Please complete this form in its entirety and send to Central Office, ATTN: Joni Cash/Lori Olson  
 SCHOOL Grimmer MS CONTACT PERSON Kevin C. Lewis  
 NAME OF EVENT: See attached LOCATION OF EVENT: See attached DATE OF EVENT: See attached  
 CRITERIA/GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING ACHIEVEMENT  
 (To be read by Dr. Veracco during Board Meeting – attach sheet or use reverse side for additional information)  
See attached sheet

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

(Please indicate exact writing that should be on the certificate)

Congratulations on being selected to The Indiana Bandmaker's Association  
Junior High All-State Band  
January 14-16 2020

Please indicate the following information on separate sheet of paper or on back of this form: ☒ Individual ☐ Group/Team  
 Name of Student, Address, Zip, Grade and any additional information. Name of Sponsor, Coach or Mentor  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name See attached Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

*2-1-20*

**School Board Recognition Form**

School – Grimmer Middle School

Contact Person – Kevin C. Lewis

Name of Event – Indiana Bandmaster's Association Junior High All-State Band

Location of Event – Fort Wayne, IN

Date of Event – January 14- 16, 2020

**Criteria/ General Information Regarding Achievement**

"8<sup>th</sup> grader Landon LaRue was selected to be a member of the Indiana Bandmaster's Association Jr. High All-State Band. Through a rigorous audition process, Landon was selected to be one of 100 middle school and high school students in grades 7 through 9 from across the state. During the event, Landon and others rehearsed advanced level music and performed a concert in two days. The students in this honor ensemble had the experience of working with a nationally recognized music teacher from Arizona."

**Student Information –**

Landon LaRue

132 Robin Hood Blvd.

Schererville, IN 46375

Guardian – Janelle LaRue

**Teacher/Mentor Information**

Kevin C. Lewis – Band Director, Grimmer Middle School

Chad Miller – Private Lesson Instructor/ Mentor

**b. Clark Middle School: Jr. High All State Band**

*Please complete this form in its entirety and send to Central Office, ATTN: Joni Cash/Lori Olson*

SCHOOL Clark Middle School CONTACT PERSON Mr. Scott Graber

NAME OF EVENT: IBA Jr. All State LOCATION OF EVENT: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF EVENT: \_\_\_\_\_

**CRITERIA/GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING ACHIEVEMENT**

*(To be read by Dr. Veracco during Board Meeting – attach sheet or use reverse side for additional information)*

Congratulations to Alex McGaha for being selected to be a member of the Junior All State  
Band.

**CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT**

*(Please indicate exact writing that should be on the certificate)*

Indiana Bandmasters Association Junior All State Band Selection

Please indicate the following information on separate sheet of paper or on back of this form: \_\_\_\_\_ Individual \_\_\_\_\_ Group/Team  
Name of Student, Address, Zip, Grade and any additional information. Name of Sponsor, Coach or Mentor  
Name Mark Walton Title Band Director-Clark

1/17/2020

2. Professional Leave Request: Dr. McCormick at Statehouse 2.24.20 (mileage only) – **Action Required**

- Howard Marshall moved to approve. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

3. School Board Policies –**Action Required**

- a. BP 6111: Internal Control Standards and Procedures
  - b. BP 6210: Fiscal Planning
  - c. BP 6620: Petty Cash
  - d. BP 6621: Operations Cash Change Fund
  - e. BP 6800: System of Accounting
  - f. BP 7440: Facility Security Program
  - g. BP 8340: Letter of Reference or Employment Reference
  - h. BP 8455: Coach Training
  - i. BP 8462: Child Abuse and Neglect
  - j. BP 9160: Public Attendance at School Events
- Janice Malchow moved to approve. Howard Marshall seconded the motion..
  - Motion carried.

4. ICPE Rally Recap

5. Legislative Update

HR7 Urging Congress to repeal the federal requirement on standardized testing under the Every Student Succeeds Act. (Ed Delaney Indianapolis)

- States across the country are studying the data and are beginning to doubt the value of standardized testing every year given the lack of improvement in NAEP scores
- It is a shame that at the time of authorizing ESSA, the federal government decided to keep annual testing in grades 3-8 in the legislation
- There was already significant information available in 2015 to move away from this flawed idea
- In theory, regularly monitoring the progress of students makes sense and in fact we do many things to diagnose learning gaps for students now (Curriculum Directors will present on this in March)
- The tests show strong correlation to poverty and lack of exposure to the English language
- The cost of these tests is astronomical and those resources could be much better used to support student learning
- We must continue to explain to our representatives the problems with these tests
- I have personally received acknowledgement from legislators that IRead 3 serves little purpose yet there was no language in this session to end the test
- We have been directed by the state legislature what rules we must follow and we have done so. This does not prohibit us from attempting to get our leaders to move away from expensive and unproductive practices
- Prior to the next long session, we need to emphasize the need to back away from these mandates that have proven to be ineffective in increasing student learning

**B. Director of Human Resources/Personnel – Terry Mucha**

**1. Personnel Recommendations – Action Required**

- Janice Malchow requested that Item E.2. be extrapolated from the vote.
- Janice Malchow moved to extract Item E.2. from the Personnel Recommendations. Don Bacso seconded the motion
- Motion carried.
- Howard Marshall moved to approve the remaining Personnel Recommendations. Janice Malchow seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

*(Board action required)*

We are recommending that the following be approved:

**I. Certified Appointment, & Resignation:**

**A. Appointment:**

1. Meredith Allen (St John), Spanish Teacher, Lake Central High School, BA from Saint Ambrose University, 12 years' experience, (effective August 10, 2020).

**B. Resignation:**

1. Loren Raehl, Special Education Teacher, Grimmer Middle School, (effective February 24, 2020).

**II. Classified Appointment, Transfer, Change of Hours, Retirement, & Resignations:**

**A. Appointment:**

1. Kaitlin Westlund (Valparaiso), Paraprofessional, TAP, (effective February 4, 2020).
2. Rebecca Miedema (Dyer), Paraprofessional, Homan Elementary School, (effective February 12, 2020).

**B. Transfer:**

1. Jenna Boller-Smith, from Bus Aide to Paraprofessional, Campagna, (effective March 2, 2020).

**C. Change of Hours:**

1. Adriana Ponce, Paraprofessional from 3 days to 5 days per week, Lake Central High School, (effective February 12, 2020).
2. Carley Eagan, Paraprofessional from 2 days to 3 days per week, Lake Central High School, (effective February 12, 2020).

**D. Retirement:**

1. Marian Robertson, Paraprofessional, Homan Elementary School, (effective February 11, 2020; *11 ½ years of dedicated service*).

**E. Resignations:**

1. Josh Picsek, Café Assistant, Lake Central High School, (effective February 12, 2020).
2. Linda Copelin, Bus Driver, Transportation, (effective February 10, 2020).
3. Mary Kelly, Café Assistant, Grimmer Middle School, (effective February 11, 2020).
4. Leslie Figg, Paraprofessional, Lake Central High School, (effective February 28, 2020).

**III. Certified Extracurricular Appointment & Resignation:**

**A. Appointment:**

1. Andrew Lane, Boys Head Track Coach, Clark Middle School, (March 1, 2020).

**B. Resignation:**

1. Loren Raehl, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach, Grimmer Middle School, (effective February 24, 2020).

**IV. Classified Extracurricular Resignations:**

**A. Resignations:**

1. James Clayton, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls B-Team Basketball Coach, Clark Middle School, (effective March 2020).
2. Shawn Thomas, Varsity Girls Soccer Coach, Lake Central High School, (effective February 11, 2020).
3. Cathy Kveton, Dollar for Scholars Sponsor, Lake Central High School, (effective June 1, 2020).

**V. Approval of Lake Central School Corporation Substitute Staff Appointments and Resignations – Refer to attached list of substitutes hired and resigned from January 7, 2020-February 17, 2020.**

## 2. Professional Leave Requests – **Action Required**

- Howard Marshall moved to approve. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>C. Lyda, A. Simon / E. Kirn / L. Bridgeman, Victoria Studer</b>
POSITION	Teachers
SCHOOL	Watson / Grimmer / Clark
EVENT	Lobby Day
DATES	2/11/2020
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	Meet with legislators to discuss public education issues
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	ISTA
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
FUNDING	N/A

## 3. Lake County Sheriff's Department IT Safety Meeting

### C. Director of Primary Education – *Theresa Schoon*

#### 1. Professional Leave Requests – **Action Required**

- Don Bacso moved to approve. Howard Marshall seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Nancy Schmidt</b>
POSITION	RN
SCHOOL	Peifer Elementary School
EVENT	School Healthcare Summit
DATES	3/07/2020
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	Diabetic Healthcare Summit
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage
FUNDING	Peifer general fund

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Lisa Alessandri</b>
POSITION	Elementary Math Coach
SCHOOL	District
EVENT	West Suburban Math Institute
DATES	2/28/2020
PLACE	Naperville, IL
DESCRIPTION	Math workshop featuring Graham Fletcher and Dan Meyer
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Glenbard North High School
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$25 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage
FUNDING	District Title II

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Lisa Alessandri</b>
POSITION	Elementary Math Coach
SCHOOL	District
EVENT	Hobart: Preparing for ILEARN
DATES	3/16/2020
PLACE	Hobart, IN
DESCRIPTION	Workshop on teaching geometry and measurement
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Wabash Valley Education Center
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$250 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage
FUNDING	District Title II

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Gina Mielcarek</b>
<b>POSITION</b>	Dean of Students
<b>SCHOOL</b>	Peifer Elementary School
<b>EVENT</b>	Aspiring Principals Conference
<b>DATES</b>	4/17/2020
<b>PLACE</b>	Indianapolis, IN
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Learning about building level leadership facilitated by principal practitioners
<b>SPONSORING ORGANIZATION</b>	Indiana Association of School Principals
<b>EXPENSES</b>	Estimated Meal Cost - \$35 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$146.25 Estimated Required Fees – \$199 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage
<b>FUNDING</b>	684-11100-31200-0008

<b>NAME</b>	<b>D. Extin, J. Zollman / T. Miljevic / L. Jeffress, M. Snow, E. O'Rourke / S. Cornwell, M. Dillard / Lisa Alessandri</b>
<b>POSITION</b>	Teachers / Elementary Math Coach
<b>SCHOOL</b>	Watson / Homan / Bibich / Protsman / District
<b>EVENT</b>	Greg Tang Math Workshop
<b>DATES</b>	5/05/2020
<b>PLACE</b>	Itasca, IL
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Math Workshop for 1 <sup>st</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> grade teachers
<b>SPONSORING ORGANIZATION</b>	Tang Math
<b>EXPENSES</b>	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$279 x (9) Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage x (9)
<b>FUNDING</b>	District Title II

## 2. Summer School 2020

### D. Director of Secondary Education – *Sarah Castaneda*

#### 1. Summer School 2020

##### Elementary Summer School 2020

**Dates:** June 1st through June 25th, 2020 (Monday through Thursday)

**Time:** 8:00AM to 10:30AM

**Location:** Kolling Elementary

**Subjects:**

- Reading and Math
- Students will attend both reading and math

**Grade Levels:** Grades 1-4 (current grade level during 2019-20 school year)

**Identification:** Invited students will be determined through the RtI process at each school

##### Middle School Summer School 2020

**Dates:** June 1st to June 18th, 2020 (Monday through Thursday)

**Time:** 8:15AM to 10:15AM

**Location:** Clark Middle School

**Subjects:**

- English/Language Arts or Math
- Students will only attend one subject area

**Grade Levels:** Grades 5, 6, and 7 (current grade level during 2019-20 school year)

**Identification:**

- Students will be identified using Panorama attendance and course grade data, as well as iReady scores and growth data.
- We will also look at current status in the RtI program.

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## Proposed Summer School Courses 2020

Once again Lake Central will be offering a traditional Summer School while partnering with the Indiana Online Academy to provide greater opportunities for our students.

The following courses will be offered at Lake Central High School:

Economics  
Government

Physical Education (Pool)  
Physical Education (Gym)

Plato Credit Recovery  
English 9, English 10, English 11, English 12  
Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II

### *Dates and Time*

All classes but PE and Algebra I Jumpstart will go from June 2 to July 8 (no Friday classes)  
7:30 am - 9:45 am *or* 9:50 am - 12:05 pm

PE classes		
Session 1	June 2,3,4,8,9,10,11,15,16,17,18	7:30 am – 12:00 pm
Session 2	June 22,23,24,25,29,30 July 1,2,6,7,8	8:00 am – 12:00 pm

Lake Central courses will cost \$50 dollars per credit



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*Indiana Online Academy will offer the following courses:*

Art History  
Health and Wellness  
Composition  
English 9           1 & 2  
English 10         1 & 2  
English 11         1 & 2  
English 12         1 & 2  
AP Language & Composition  
AP Literature & Composition  
Algebra I  
Geometry  
Algebra II  
Analytical Algebra II  
Pre-Calculus  
Trigonometry  
Probability and Statistics  
AP Calculus AB  
Biology I  
Chemistry I  
Earth and Space Science  
Integrated Chemistry and Physics  
AP Biology  
Economics  
Geography and History of the World  
World History  
Psychology  
Sociology  
US Government  
US History  
AP Microeconomics & Macroeconomics  
AP Psychology  
AP US History  
AP US Government  
Spanish I, Spanish II, Spanish III  
French I, French II  
Personal Finance  
Music History  
Music Theory  
Computer Science  
Digital Application and Responsibility  
College Entrance Preparation  
Preparing for College and Careers  
Physics  
Chinese I, Chinese II  
Ethnic Studies  
Indiana Studies

The Indiana Online Academy will charge \$50 per course.

Sean P. Begley	Melissa Rettig	Mary Rebey	Tim Powers	Ed Beck	Marty Freeman	Richard Moore
Principal	Director of Guidance	Director of Special Education	Assistant Principal	Assistant Principal	Assistant Principal	Assistant Principal
Lake Central	Student Services	Student Services	A-Ew	Ex-Lach	Lach-Re	RF-Z

Summer School (LCHS)  
2020

**Operating Framework for PE and Pool**

- 4 days a week
- 4 hours 30 minutes a day (49.5 hours total per session)
- 11 days per session

**Dates:**

**Session 1: 7:30am -12:00pm**

1. Tuesday, June 2
2. Wednesday, June 3
3. Thursday, June 4
4. Monday, June 8
5. Tuesday, June 9
6. Wednesday, June 10
7. Thursday, June 11
8. Monday, June 15
9. Tuesday, June 16
10. Wednesday, June 17
11. Thursday, June 18

**Session 2 7:30am – 12:00pm**

1. Monday, June 22
2. Tuesday, June 23
3. Wednesday, June 24
4. Thursday, June 25
5. Monday, June 29
6. Tuesday, June 30
7. Wednesday, July 1
8. Thursday, July 2
9. Monday, July 6
10. Tuesday, July 7
11. Wednesday, July 8

**Student Day**

7:30am - 12:00pm

**Teacher Day**

7:20am - 12:05pm

**Operating Framework for Credit Recovery**

(LCHS)

- 4 days a week
- 2 hours 15 minutes per session.
- 2 Sessions per day
- 22 days

**Dates:**

1. Tuesday, June 2
2. Wednesday, June 3
3. Thursday, June 4
4. Monday, June 8
5. Tuesday, June 9
6. Wednesday, June 10
7. Thursday, June 11
8. Monday, June 15
9. Tuesday, June 16
10. Wednesday, June 17
11. Thursday, June 18
12. Monday, June 22
13. Tuesday, June 23
14. Wednesday, June 24
15. Thursday, June 25
16. Monday, June 29
17. Tuesday, June 30
18. Wednesday, July 1
19. Thursday, July 2
20. Monday, July 6
21. Tuesday, July 7
22. Wednesday, July 8

**Student Day:**

**Session 1**

7:30am - 9:45am

**Session 2**

9:50am – 12:05pm

**Teacher Day:**

7:20am – 12:05pm

## 2. Professional Leave Requests – **Action Required**

- Howard Marshall moved to approve. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Melissa Rettig</b>
POSITION	Assistant Principal
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	INACAC Conference
DATES	2/24 – 2/26/2020
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	College Admission Counseling Conference
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana Association of College Admission Counseling
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$70 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$372.06 Estimated Required Fees – \$185 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage x (1)
FUNDING	19/0101-11300-58000-0002

<b>NAME</b>	<b>MaryJoan Martin</b>
POSITION	Teacher/Science Olympiad Coach
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	Science Olympiad Competition
DATES	2/28 – 2/29/2020
PLACE	Madison, WI
DESCRIPTION	Science Olympiad Competition
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	LCHS Science Olympiad Club
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
FUNDING	Self-Funded

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Todd Smolinski</b>
POSITION	Girls Swim Coach
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	IHSAA State Tournament
DATES	2/13 – 2/15/2020
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	Girls state swim meet
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	IUPUI
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
FUNDING	Athletics

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Christina Arroyo</b>
POSITION	Choir Director
SCHOOL	Clark Middle School
EVENT	2020 ACDA Regional Conference
DATES	3/05 – 3/07/2020
PLACE	Milwaukee, WI
DESCRIPTION	Professional development conference
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	American Choral Director's Association
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$70 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$329.19 Estimated Required Fees – \$266 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
FUNDING	190684-9-1   200-58000-0051

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Amanda Harle</b>
POSITION	FACS Teacher
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	Indiana Family and Consumer Sciences Spring Conference
DATES	5/03 – 5/04/2020
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	Annual conference for FACS teachers
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences and FCCLA
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$35 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$175 Estimated Required Fees – \$75 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage
FUNDING	19/374-9-1   300-58000-0002

### 3. Field Trip Requests – **Action Required**

- Howard Marshall moved to approve. Janice Malchow seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

Todd Smolinski, Head Coach of Girls Swimming at LCHS, requests to take approximately (7) team members to Indianapolis, IN on February 13 – February 15, 2020 to compete in the IHSAA State Tournament. All fees will be covered by athletics.

MaryJoan Martin, Science Teacher/Science Olympiad coach at LCHS, requests to take approximately (35) members of the Science Olympiad team to Madison, WI on February 28 – February 29, 2020 to compete in a Science Olympiad competition. All fees will be covered by club dues and fundraisers.

Julie Shupryt, teacher at LCHS, requests to take approximately (28) members of her AP Environmental Science class to Bridgeman, MI to visit the Cook Nuclear Power Plant on March 5, 2020. Students will learn more about nuclear power and sustainability. This is a student funded field trip.

#### E. Director of Student Services - *Becky Gromala*

1. Pre-Employment Transition Services with Opportunity Enterprises

2. Professional Leave Requests – **Action Required**

- Howard Marshall moved to approve. Janice Malchow seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

NAME	Melissa Hopkins, Mary Ann Medved
POSITION	Vision Teacher, Assistive Tech Coordinator
SCHOOL	Clark Middle School
EVENT	PATINS Tech Expo 2020
DATES	4/09/2020
PLACE	Carmel, IN
DESCRIPTION	Opportunity to preview accessible technologies and meet with vendors and experts
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	PATINS
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage x (1)
FUNDING	010-1-22120-58000-0001

F. Director of Facilities – *Bill Ledyard*

1. Town of Dyer Request for Lightning Detection System/Sensor at KMS – Update
2. Homan ES New Parking Addition – Update
3. LCSC Energy Optimization - Update

G. Director of Technology – *Rick Moreno*

H. Director of Business Services – *Rob James*

1. Donations – **Action Required**

- Don Bacso moved to approve. Howard Marshall seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

Donations (Action Required)  
Received

The Homan PTO would like to donate \$9,152.98 to Homan Elementary to be used for Homan students and staff.

The Lake Central High School Vietnam Project received a donation of \$500 from the Disabled American Veterans.

The Administration recommends approving the donations as indicated above.

2. Professional Leave Requests - **Action Required**

- Howard Marshall moved to approve. Janice Malchow seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

Professional Leave Requests (Action Required)

I have been asked by Melissa Ambre, DOE Director of School Finance, to be one of ten school business officials from around the State to get together to give innovative ideas to the Teacher's Compensation Committee. I am requesting professional leave to attend the this meeting in Indianapolis on February 19, 2020.

The Administration recommends approving the professional leave requests as indicated above

### 3. FY 2020 Funding per ADM

The Indiana Department of Education has finalized the school funding formula computations for fiscal year 2020. These calculations were made based on the State's current budget allocation for K-12 Education. I will discuss the data with the board during the meeting.

#### Analysis of FY 2020 School Funding per ADM

1. School Funding Level (K-12 statewide): \$7,041,000,000 for FY 2018; \$7,160,000,000 for FY 2019; and \$7,331,500,000 for FY 2020 (2.4% increase).
2. The Foundation amount in the funding formula increased from \$5,352 for FY 2019 to \$5,548 for FY 2020 (up \$196). Complexity is no longer a separate part of the formula. There is now just one amount for Tuition Support.
3. The highest Funding per ADM decreased by \$107 from \$8,126 to \$8,019.
4. The lowest Funding per ADM increased by \$233 from \$5,358 to \$5,591.
5. The difference between the highest funded and the lowest funded was \$3,076 in FY 2018; \$2,768 in FY 2019; and is now \$2,428 in FY 2020.
6. Since 2009, the amount given to the highest funded school corporations has decreased by \$976 per ADM. However, the lowest funded school in FY 2020 is only \$641 per ADM higher than in 2009.
7. 35 of the top 44 funded school corporations are charter schools.
8. The Statewide Average increased \$149 from \$6,151 to \$6,300. The average funding for a charter school is \$6,849; however it is only \$6,164 for a traditional public school.
9. 82% of the charter schools receive funding higher than the public school average of \$6,164. However, only 5% of the public schools receive funding higher than the charter school average of \$6,849.
10. Lake Central's Funding per ADM increased from \$5,597 in FY 2019 to \$5,769 in FY 2020 (up \$172; 3.1%).
11. In FY 2020, Lake Central's funding is ranked 340<sup>th</sup> out of 364 school corps. Therefore, we are in the lowest 6.8%.
12. Lake Central's funding is \$531 lower than the Statewide Average in FY 2020. We were \$553 lower than the State Average in FY 2019.
13. Currently, three 'Virtual Charter Schools' (no building; all online) receive per pupil funding higher than Lake Central. The lowest funded Virtual Charter School receives funding higher than 155 traditional public school districts.
14. Even though we have seen increased K-12 funding each of the last budget cycles, the State is forcing many districts to go to taxpayers for Operating Referendums in order to keep quality programs and give teachers the pay increases they deserve. The Statewide average was \$5,949 in 2009 when the State took over the funding. Ten years later, the average is \$6,300, only \$351 higher. At 1.75% annual inflation, the 2009 average of \$5,949 would equate to \$7,200 in FY 2020.



VIII. Public Comments – *Cindy Sues*

- David Quinn: LC Bus driver has questioned aspects of his pay and is looking for answers.
- Colonel Antonio “Tony” Dagget: Retired after 36 years in US Military and father of 10 children who have or are going through public education. Greatly values public education and is here to hear current issues and concerns in public ed. Plans to run for Congress in District 1.

IX. Board Comments and Consideration of Future Agenda Items – *Cindy Sues*

- Janice Malchow: Exciting weekend with many good things going on, our school is big and is used frequently, there is lots of hard work happening.
- Howard Marshall: Would like clarification on Linda Copelin situation but will discuss away from this meeting.
- Cindy Sues: Some of our swimmers did fabulous at State competition. Bob Gustas and our thespians did great, wrestlers to go State this weekend, and our girls’ basketball team also did a great job.

X. Board Calendar of Future Activities – *Dr. Veracco*

- We return March 2<sup>nd</sup> for next regular board meeting.

XI. Adjournment – *Cindy Sues* – **Action Required**

- Howard Marshall moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

Minutes of the February 17, 2020 School Board Meeting were approved and adopted by the Board of School Trustees at the March 2, 2020 School Board Meeting.

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Cindy Sues, President

ATTEST:

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Howard Marshall, Secretary