

**LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL CORPORATION**  
**Lake Central High School**  
**Kay Trapp Board Room – Enter Door E**  
**8260 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN 46373**  
**Monday, March 2, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.**

**MINUTES**  
**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**  
**MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2020**

A meeting of the Board of School trustees of the Lake Central School Corporation was held in the Kay Trapp Room at Lake Central High School, 8260 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN on March 2, 2020. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

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

Board Members Not Present

Administration Present

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

Sarah Castaneda, Director of Secondary Education  
Rick Moreno, Director of Technology

*All Motions Were Passed With a 5-0  
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**
  - There is a Revised Personnel Packet under Terry Mucha's section.
  - Howard Marshall moved to approve the Revised Agenda. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
  - Sandy Lessentine abstained from the vote.
  - Motion carried 4-0.
- III. Correspondence – *Howard Marshall*
  - There was no correspondence.

- IV. Liaison Committee Updates – *Cindy Sues*
- A. Personnel Interview Committee: Howard Marshall/Sandy Lessentine
  - B. Schererville Redevelopment Committee: Sandy Lessentine
  - C. Wellness Committee: Sandy Lessentine/Janice Malchow
  - D. Lake Central Education Foundation: Janice Malchow: Fannie Mae candy being sold as a fundraising effort for LCEF.
  - E. Legislative Committee: Janice Malchow: Meeting with State Rep Chris Chyung and Senator Rick Niemeyer set for March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm.
  - F. St. John Redevelopment Committee: Cindy Sues
  - G. Dollars for Scholars: Cindy Sues
  - H. Dyer Redevelopment Committee: Don Bacso
- V. Official School Board Business Topics: Consent Agenda – *Dr. Veracco* – **Action Required**
- A. Approval of Minutes
    - Special Board Meeting: February 17, 2020
    - Regular Board Meeting: February 17, 2020
  - B. Approval of Claims, Payroll and Extracurricular Expenditures
    - Don Bacso moved to approve. Howard Marshall seconded the motion.
    - Sandy Lessentine abstained from the vote.
    - Motion carried 4-0.
- VI. Public Comments Regarding Action Items
- Linda Copelin requested that the Board look into the circumstances of her resignation.
- VII. Official School Board Business Topics: Regular Agenda
- A. Superintendent – *Dr. Veracco*
    - 1. Recognitions:
      - a. LCHS Indiana All-State Honor Band

BUILDING PRINCIPAL'S AUTHORIZATION: *[Signature]* DATE: 2/18/20

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 LCHS CONTACT PERSON Renee Swetlik x 2080

NAME OF EVENT: 60<sup>th</sup> Annual All-State Festival LOCATION OF EVENT: Purdue University DATE OF EVENT: March 13-15, 2020

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 Castin York and Andrew Huffman on being selected to the Indiana Bandmasters Association 2020 All-State Honor Band. Students were selected from a live audition and competed against dozens of Indiana students.

CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

b. LCHS Indiana All-State Handbell Choir

BUILDING PRINCIPAL'S AUTHORIZATION: [Signature] DATE: 2/19/26  
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 LCHS CONTACT PERSON Renee Swetlik X 2080  
3rd Annual Indiana All-State High School Fort Wayne, Jan. 16 & 17  
NAME OF EVENT: Handbell Choir LOCATION OF EVENT: Indiana DATE OF EVENT: 2020  
CRITERIA/GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING ACHIEVEMENT  
(To be read by Dr. Veracco during Board Meeting – attach sheet or use reverse side for additional information)

\* please see attached

## 2020 All-State High School Handbell Choir

Kelley Williams

~~8521 66<sup>th</sup> Court~~  
~~St. John, IN 46373~~  
~~219-213-5782~~

Megan Cluck

~~626 Pierce Ave~~  
~~Dyer, IN 46311~~  
~~219-308-6115~~

Kayla Longfield

~~523 Meadow Ridge Drive~~  
~~Schererville, IN 46375~~  
~~219-322-9898~~

Hope McKinney

~~5440 W. 78<sup>th</sup> Lane~~  
~~Schererville, IN 46375~~  
~~219-613-8335~~

Susanna Noonan

~~7504 Nicholas Drive~~  
~~Schererville, IN 46375~~  
~~219-322-5865~~

Tiffany Richerme

~~119 81<sup>st</sup> Avenue~~  
~~Schererville, IN 46375~~

Isabella Tanis

~~7029 Starling Drive~~  
~~Schererville, IN 46375~~  
~~219-472-0877~~

Mentor:

Nathaniel Jones, Choir Director – Lake Central High School

c. KMS Indiana Junior All-State Band

BUILDING PRINCIPAL'S AUTHORIZATION: Ken Newton DATE: 2-17-20  
 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: Jani Cash/Lori Olson  
 SCHOOL Kahler CONTACT PERSON Ken Newton  
 NAME OF EVENT: Junior All-State Band LOCATION OF EVENT: Ft. Wayne DATE OF EVENT: 1-18-20  
 CRITERIA/GENERAL INFORMATION REGARDING ACHIEVEMENT  
 (To be read by Dr. Veracco during Board Meeting – attach sheet or use reverse side for additional information)  
See attachment.  
 CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT  
 (Please indicate exact writing that should be on the certificate)  
(Student) - See attachment.  
2020 Indiana Junior All-State Band  
 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 Leta Sena-Lopez Title Band Director  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

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**The Junior All-State Band** is sponsored by the Indiana Music Education Association (IMEA) and the Indiana Bandmasters Association (IBA). Students submit an audition recording from a list of required musical excerpts and 100 students are selected from all over the state of Indiana. Selected students performed as a group at the IMEA Professional Development Conference on January 18th for the finale Concert at the Grand Wayne Convention Center, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

**Certificate of Achievement:**

Calleigh Riordan

2020 Indiana Junior All-State Band

**Certificate of Achievement:**

Max Pellar

2020 Indiana Junior All-State Band

**Calleigh Riordan**

~~4145 S. 10th St.~~  
~~2632 Kretzberg St.~~  
~~Dyer, IN 46314~~

~~1000 S. 10th St.~~  
~~9520 Beal St.~~  
~~Dyer, IN 46314~~

**Max Pellar**

~~4422 East End Ave.~~  
~~Dyer, IN 46314~~

## 2. IDOE Special Hearing Review

### Meeting with Dr. McCormick and Staff Regarding Adverse HO Decision

LCSC Contingent: Dr. Veracco, Becky Gromala, Jane Winkoff (Northwest Coop), Monica Conrad

IDOE Contingent: Dr. McCormick, Kelly Wittman (Chief of Staff), Dana Long Special Education Director, Andrew Bernlohr (in house counsel)

- We opened with sharing the most disturbing aspects of the hearing examiner's performance: lack of understanding of special education law, lack of organizational skills to frame the dispute in a way to keep the hearing on track, imbalance in time to present case (4 days parents, 1 day School), and orders not backed by reasonable data/evidence
- I shared that we are a district that rarely goes to hearing, when we err, we make it right
- I shared that decisions that do not include parameters that make sense is problematic (no certification required for compensatory education, no limit to hourly charge, a demand for a class not to exceed 3 students, lack of recognizing LRE as a benefit to the child)
- We also acknowledged that we are working through doing our part to implement the "case conference of one's" decision but want to make the IDOE aware so that perhaps this can be corrected before it happens again to someone in Indiana
- The director of the northwest cooperative joined us to shed light on another poorly managed case by the same hearing officer
- Our attorney did a nice job of explaining how an effective hearing officer should frame the discrepancies in advance of the hearing by taking away anything that can be resolved in advance and then not allow the parent to change their concerns or bring up new issues during the hearing
- Dana Long acknowledged several issues that she sees as problematic, acknowledged that the lack of any review process should be discussed, and acknowledged that decisions that do not align with FAPE should be avoided (our student was placed on partial homebound despite success in the school classroom with same aged peers during 7<sup>th</sup> grade)
- IDOE also agreed that a two tiered system (Board of Special Education Appeals) or some type of review of HO decisions needs to be studied

We deemed our trip a success. Dr. McCormick stayed for the entire meeting. Kelly Wittman was enlightened on the problems with utilizing hearing officers who are attorneys but have limited knowledge of special education law. IDOE attorneys both validated our concerns and thanked us for making them aware of the shortcomings of the hearing officer.

## 3. Board Policy Updates – **Action Required**

- a. BP 1442: Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity
  - b. BP 2260: Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity
  - c. BP 3120.04: Employment of Substitutes
  - d. BP 3131: Reduction in Force ("RIF") in Certificated Staff
  - e. BP 7510: Use of School Facilities
  - f. BP 8315: Information Management
- Howard Marshall moved to approve the Board Policy Updates. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
  - Sandy Lessentine abstained from the vote.
  - Motion carried.

#### 4. Coronavirus and School Closure

##### COVID-19 and School Closure

- Historically, schools have considered closing when experiencing flu outbreaks if absenteeism approaches 20 percent
- While closing schools can slow the spread of the virus, it creates a significant hardship for working parents/guardians
- School, cinemas, religious services in 12 cities/towns in Italy closed down with only a total of 220 verified cases in that region
- The decision to close schools there was made by the government
- The CDC recommends “social distancing during severe flu outbreaks”
- This week is the first time that the CDC has indicated that they are developing guidance for schools, childcare programs and universities in the event of a COVID-19 outbreak in their community
- The CDC is preparing guidance for states in order to improve their ability to respond to an outbreak
- It feels as though any decision to close would be taken out of our hands
- If we have only minimal absenteeism, we may still need to consider compensatory education either after school or on some Saturdays for affected students
- If we were to have limited cases that result in high absenteeism due to family choice of avoiding contact, we should be prepared to determine a threshold at which we might close for a set period of time (make up in summer)
- We will continue to monitor this situation very closely and our schools will continue to encourage frequent washing of hands

##### Other facts about COVID-19

- Mortality rate is 3% as opposed to .1% for traditional flu viruses
- It is currently unclear how “easily or sustainably this virus is spreading between people”
- Since antibiotics will not be effective, and as of yet no vaccine, the CDC site recommends “care to support vital organ function”
- Some internet sites indicate the CDC has more protocols in place but has not yet distributed the in order to avoid panic (thus far only 14 confirmed cases in USA)

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

##### 1. Personnel Recommendations – **Action Required**

- Janice Malchow moved to approve the personnel recommendations as revised. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.
- Howard Marshall addressed Linda Copelin’s concern and advised her that they did investigate the circumstances and her resignation was accepted as part of the Personnel Recommendation packet.

**I. Certified Appointment:**

**A. Appointment:**

1. Andi Burczyk (Valparaiso), Special Education Teacher, Grimmer Middle School, Bachelors in Mathematics/Secondary Education from IUNW, 0 years of experience, (effective March 30, 2020; *pending background check*).

**II. Classified Appointments, Retirement, & Resignations:**

**A. Appointments:**

1. Reed Holdeman (Lowell), Paraprofessional, TAP, (effective February 24, 2020).
2. Patricia Tucker (Schererville), Paraprofessional, Watson Elementary School, (effective February 27, 2020).
3. Kyle Gustafson (Griffith), Technology Aide, Lake Central School Corporation, (March 17, 2020).
4. Elward Verrett (Merrillville), Custodian 1A, Lake Central High School, (effective March 15, 2020; *pending background check*).

**B. Retirement:**

1. Shirley Baczkowski, Nurse/Head Nurse, Homan Elementary School, (effective May 26, 2020; *17 years of dedicated service*).

**C. Resignations:**

1. Linda Copelin, Bus Driver, Transportation, (effective February 10, 2020).
2. Cindy McCoy, Paraprofessional, Clark Middle School, (effective March 5, 2020).
3. Georgianna Mize, Middle School Manager, Food Service, (effective February 17, 2020).
4. Kim Ligue, Café Assistant, Kahler Middle School, (effective February 24, 2020).

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

**A. Appointment:**

1. Allison Colgrove, Robotics Coach, Peifer Elementary School, (effective for the 2020-21 school year).

**B. Resignations:**

1. Alex Thompson, JV Boys' Soccer Coach, Lake Central High School, (effective February 24, 2020).
2. Michelle Vogt, Robotics Coach, Kolling Elementary School, (effective May 26, 2020).
3. Samantha Batres, Assistant Play Director, Grimmer Middle School, (effective April 27, 2020).

**IV. Classified Extracurricular Appointment:**

**A. Appointment:**

1. Shane Cloutier, Boys' Varsity Head Soccer Coach, Lake Central High School, (effective February 12, 2020).

**V. Approval of Lake Central School Corporation Substitute Staff Appointments and Resignations – Refer to attached list of substitutes hired and resigned from February 3, 2020-March 2, 2020.**

## 2. Transportation Rate Increase – **Action Required**

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

**To:** Terry Mucha  
**From:** Christian Flores  
**cc:**  
**Date:** 2/25/20  
**Re:** Permanent Subs

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Dear Terry,

I am respectfully requesting that my two permanent sub bus drivers pay rate be increased. John Lim and Terry Swarthout have been employed respectively since 2014 in the capacity of a substitute bus driver. Over the last four to five years, both have taken on the responsibility of our permanent sub drivers, meaning they report to transportation daily regardless if they are needed or not. The vast majority of time they are out driving, but in the event we don't have a route for them they assist in various office tasks as presented. It my recommendation to increase their current pay rate of \$19/hr to \$21/hr while driving. When they are in the office and not driving their rate will remain the same at \$19/hr. They both have been very loyal to the corporation and feel are well deserving of this increase.

I appreciate your consideration in this recommendation, and if you need any additional information feel free to let me know.

Respectfully,

*Christian Flores*

Christian Flores  
Lake Central School Corporation  
Director of Transportation

## 3. Census Timeline

Dec district newsletter	Dr. Veracco's column on the census
January 24	Elliott from the US Census met with admin
Late Feb	Posters distributed to each school
March	Alert to all parents from Dr. Veracco

- \* March Information sent out in school newsletters
- \* March One lesson taught during the month of March in Social Studies classes. Lessons provided by the Census Bureau
- March 12-20 Invitations sent to respond online (CB)
- March 16-24 Reminder letter sent by the CB
- \* Spring district newsletter Census information included in newsletter
- \*Before Spring Break 2nd flyer either in your newsletter or website.
- Spring Break Census signs outside of each school (by Bill's staff)
- March 26-April 3 A reminder postcard from the CB
- April 8-16 A reminder letter and paper questionnaire (CB)
- April 20-27 Reminder postcard before an in person visit (CB)

C. Director of Primary Education – *Theresa Schoon*

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

- Janice Malchow moved to approve. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

NAME	Stephanie Scissom, Carolyn Verrett / Emily Maurek
POSITION	Teachers
SCHOOL	Watson / Bibich
EVENT	Lobby Day
DATES	3/03/2020
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

NAME	Janel Grimmer, Emily Graves
POSITION	Teachers
SCHOOL	Homan
EVENT	Greg Tang Math Workshop
DATES	5/05/2020
PLACE	Itasca, IL
DESCRIPTION	Math Workshop
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Tang Math
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$289 x (2) Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage x (2)
FUNDING	District Title II

## 2. Elementary Sensory Walks

### **Protsman Sensory Walk**

Mrs. Vasquez- Resource Teacher, Mrs. Rodriguez & Mrs. Luevano- Speech, Miss Morales- School Counselor

- Utilized by ALL students and/or adults within the building, and can be completed in under five minutes
- Creative & playful way for students to develop nerve connections within the brain pathways responsible for the five senses
- Encourages self-regulation by engaging the sensory system through necessary movement breaks to promote attentiveness & self-control in the classroom
- Benefits students in developing motor skills such as; balance, spatial awareness, and hand-eye coordination
- Provides vestibular (receptors within the inner ear related to body movement) and proprioceptive (body movement & position) input.
- Designed with various movements, actions, and exercises in an obstacle course fashion; i.e. wall push-ups, a "Panther crawl", numbered flower petal ring, A-Z hopscotch, log jumps, and more!
- Encouraging cognitive functioning and reducing sensory seeking behaviors for a calm and positive environment which promotes learning

\*I am able to share the video demonstration if you would like to see the Protsman Sensory Walk in action!

## 3. Protsman Peer Mentor Program

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

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

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

NAME	Jeff Kilinski, Rod Smith, Heidi Moffet
POSITION	Teachers and Coaches
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	Boys State Swim Meet
DATES	2/27 – 2/29/2020
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	Boys Swim Team Competition
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>Erin Novak, Kari Regan</b>
POSITION	Assistant Principal, Dean
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	PNW Spring Career Expo 2020
DATES	2/28/2020
PLACE	Westville, IN
DESCRIPTION	Recruitment fair for prospective teachers
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Purdue Northwest
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$75 x (2) Estimated Travel Cost - Mileage
FUNDING	20-684-9-11300-58000-0002

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Jennifer Schmidt</b>
POSITION	Teacher
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	FCCLA State Conference
DATES	3/05 - 3/06/2020
PLACE	Muncie, IN
DESCRIPTION	Observe and volunteer at State convention in preparation to include in LCHS FCCLA for 2020-2021 school year
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	National and Indiana FCCLA
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$35 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$76 Estimated Required Fees - \$0 Estimated Travel Cost - Mileage
FUNDING	20-374-9-11300-58000-0002

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Ruch Bonacci-Klaeser / Sandy Jaczyk, Ira Kanaya</b>
POSITION	Teacher / Paraprofessionals
SCHOOL	Kahler Middle School
EVENT	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Field Trip
DATES	3/03/2020
PLACE	Skokie, IL
DESCRIPTION	Field Trip to the Holocaust Museum
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Kahler ELA Department
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$0 Estimated Travel Cost - \$0
FUNDING	Self-Funded

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Ryan O'Dell, Amanda Harle</b>
POSITION	Guard Director, Teacher
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	Winter Guard Competition
DATES	3/06 - 3/08/2020
PLACE	Grand Blanc, Michigan
DESCRIPTION	Winter Guard Competition
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Grand Blanc High School
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$0 Estimated Travel Cost - \$0
FUNDING	Self-Funded

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Louise Tallent</b>
POSITION	Teacher
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	FCCLA State Conference
DATES	3/06/2020
PLACE	Muncie, IN
DESCRIPTION	Annual State Conference
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	National and Indiana FCCLA
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$0 Estimated Travel Cost - Mileage
FUNDING	20-374-9-11300-58000-0002

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Patrick Winters, Jr.</b>
POSITION	Teacher/Coach
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	Glazier Football Clinic
DATES	3/06/2020
PLACE	Oak Brook, IL
DESCRIPTION	Football clinic to gain knowledge of the game
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Glazier Clinics
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$0 Estimated Travel Cost - \$0
FUNDING	Athletics

<b>NAME</b>	<b>RJ Ohlenkamp</b>
POSITION	Teacher
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	ISHGCA Coaches Clinic
DATES	3/06/2020
PLACE	Lebanon, IN
DESCRIPTION	Golf Coaches Clinic
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	ISHGCA
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$75 Estimated Travel Cost - Mileage
FUNDING	Athletics

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Todd Iwema</b>
POSITION	Teacher / Sponsor
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	Indiana BPA State Conference & Competitions
DATES	3/08 - 3/10/2020
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	Indiana BPA State Competition
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana BPA
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$0 Estimated Travel Cost - \$0
FUNDING	Self-Funded

NAME	Jeff Rhody, Alex Thompson, Greg Holdeman, Sean Warren
POSITION	Teachers/Coaches
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	IHSAA Track & Field State Finals
DATES	6/05 – 6/06/2020
PLACE	Bloomington, IL
DESCRIPTION	Track Meet
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	IU - Bloomington
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$0 Estimated Travel Cost - \$0
FUNDING	Athletics

NAME	Sumera Shakir, Emma Pruett, Michelle Deming, Jessica Reid, Jill Zitz, Angela Ohlenkamp, Jennifer Fandi, Val Gardner / Scott King / Michelle Calhoun, Danielle Miller / Kelly Gravelly, David Sidler / Andrew Lane, Angela Young
POSITION	Math Teachers / Math Coaches
SCHOOL	LCHS / District / Grimmer / Kahler / Clark
EVENT	NCTM Centennial Meeting & Exposition
DATES	4/02 – 4/04/2020
PLACE	Chicago, IL
DESCRIPTION	Teachers will be able to attend engaging sessions that will help them improve instructional skills and content knowledge
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	National Council of Teachers of Mathematics
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$430 x (15) Estimated Travel Cost - Mileage x (5) Parking \$25 per day - \$450 2 teachers on Metra \$81
FUNDING	District Title II

NAME	Blandine Baldwin
POSITION	Teacher
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	American Association of Teachers of French National Convention
DATES	7/15 – 7/18/2020
PLACE	Trois-Rivieres, Quebec, Canada
DESCRIPTION	National Convention for French Teachers
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	AATF
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$105 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$300 Estimated Travel Cost - \$0
FUNDING	20/684-9-1 1300-58000-0002

NAME	Jeff Rhody, Alex Thompson, Greg Holdeman, Sean Warren
POSITION	Teachers/Coaches
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	Dick Beebe Invitational Track Meet
DATES	4/18/2020
PLACE	Homewood, IL
DESCRIPTION	Track Meet
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Homewood-Flossmore High School
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$0 Estimated Travel Cost - \$0
FUNDING	Athletics

NAME	Maryjoan Martin
POSITION	Science Teacher/Science Olympiad Coach
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	State Science Olympiad Competition
DATES	3/20 – 3/21/2020
PLACE	West Lafayette, IN
DESCRIPTION	Science Olympiad Competition
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Purdue
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$0 Estimated Travel Cost - \$0
FUNDING	Self-Funded Field Trip

NAME	Val Gardner / Scott King
POSITION	Math Coaches
SCHOOL	LCHS / Lake Central Middle Schools
EVENT	NCTM Pre-Conference Symposium
DATES	4/01/2020
PLACE	Chicago, IL
DESCRIPTION	The Math Coaches will attend a research symposium
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	National Council of Teachers of Mathematics
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees - \$150 x (2) Estimated Travel Cost - Mileage x (1) \$25 parking x (1)
FUNDING	District Title II

## 2. Field Trip Requests – Action Required

- Janice Malchow moved to approve. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

Jeff Rhody, teacher and coach at LCHS, requests to take approximately (70) members of the Boys Track & Field Team to Homewood, IL on April 18, 2020. The team will compete in the Dick Beebe Invitational Track Meet. All costs will be covered by athletics.

He also requests to take approximately (20) members of the same team to Bloomington, IN on June 5 – June 6, 2020 to compete in the IHSAA Track & Field State Finals. All costs will be covered by athletics.

Jeff Kilinski, LCHS Boys Swim coach, requests to take approximately 10 members of the Boys Swim Team to Indianapolis, IN on February 27 – February 29, 2020 to compete in the Boys State Swim Meet. All costs will be covered by athletics.

Ruth Bonacci-Klaeser, teacher at Kahler Middle School, requests to take approximately (6) of her 8<sup>th</sup> grade Language Arts students to Skokie, IL on March 3, 2020 to tour the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center. This is a student-funded field trip.

Ryan O'Dell, Guard Director at LCHS, requests to take approximately (18) members of the winter guard to Grand Blanc, Michigan on March 6 – March 8, 2020 to compete in a Winter Guard Competition. All costs will be covered by athletics.

Todd Iwema, teacher at LCHS, requests to take approximately (15) BPA students to Indianapolis, IN on March 8 – March 10, 2020 to compete in the BPA State Competition and Conference. This is a self-funded field trip.

MaryJoan Martin, teacher and Science Olympiad Coach at LCHS, requests to take approximately (35) members of the Science Olympiad team to West Lafayette, IN on March 20 – March 21, 2020. The team will compete in the State Science Olympiad Competition. All fees will be covered by club dues and fund raisers.

E. Director of Student Services - *Becky Gromala*

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

- Sandy Lessentine moved to approve. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

NAME	Meg Alessia
POSITION	Early Childhood Teacher
SCHOOL	Bibich Elementary School
EVENT	ACC and Autism: Moving Forward with LAMP
DATES	3/04 – 3/05/2020
PLACE	Bluffton, IN
DESCRIPTION	Course designed to further the communication partners ability to implement the LAMP approach at different language stages
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Center for ACC and Autism
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$35 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$104.68 Estimated Required Fees - \$145 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage
FUNDING	646-0-12810-58000-0010

2. Title I Family Night

F. Director of Facilities – *Bill Ledyard*

1. NIPSCO Infrastructure Modernization Project Town of Dyer – Update
2. Homan ES New Parking Addition – Update

G. Director of Technology – *Rick Moreno*

H. Director of Business Services – *Rob James*

1. Donations – **Action Required**

- Sandy Lessentine moved to approve all donations. Howard Marshall seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

To: Board of School Trustees

From: Mr. Rob James, Director of Business Services

Date: February 27, 2020

**RE: Board Meeting March 2, 2020**

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**Donations (Action Required)**

**Given**

The Lake Central High School N-Teens would like to donate \$3,400 to Riley House and \$2,500 to Dollars for Scholars.

The Homan Elementary Student Council hosted a Valentine's Day fundraiser for Treasured Friends Animal Rescue. The school would like to donate the \$307.38 raised to Treasured Friends Animal Rescue.

The Clark Middle School Student Council would like to make a donation of \$30 on behalf of Kim Kookin to Clark Middle School's Tech Tuesday Fund for Riley Children's Hospital.

Bibich raised \$1,445 in cash for The Kids Heart Challenge. They would like to donate the \$1,445 raised to the American Heart Association.

Protsman Elementary would like to make the following donations:

1. \$5,762 to the American Heart Association (Heart Challenge).
2. \$688 for Unified Games (Kindness Cards/flowers).
3. \$250 to the Special Olympics for the banner.

Watson Elementary School would like to donate \$2,505.94 to Riley Children's Hospital, the proceeds from a recent school fundraiser.

Kahler's Student Council held their annual "Crush Sale" fundraiser for Riley Children's Hospital and would like to donate \$2,341.75 to the Riley Children's Foundation.

The Lake Central Boys and Girls Basketball teams raised \$706.28 that they would like to donate to the Northwest Indiana Cancer Kids (NICK).

The Administration recommends approving the donations as indicated above.

**VIII. Public Comments – *Cindy Sues***

- David Quinn: Would like the board to look into how he has been paid for time worked, i.e., fueling time, stop arm violation paperwork, route sheet corrections, parent complaint calls, meetings with Director of Transportation, conversation with admin. Assistant regarding time sheets, etc.
- Linda Copelin: Questioned how an investigation could have happened without speaking with her directly. Dr. Veracco responded that a review of her personnel file was made. Further discussion ensued.

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

- Janice Malchow: Asked for information on extra-curricular stipends.
- Sandy Lessentine: Liked the sensory walk information but would like to see data relating to same, and asked about any similar needs for middle school and high school. Would like information on local assessments.

- Don Bacso: Thanked everyone for their presentations this evening, Sensory Walk, Peer Mentor Program, Title I, etc.
- Howard Marshall: Asked principal Kathi Tucker if there is any update on Milo (robot) going to her school. Also, Howard Marshall thanked Janice Malchow for always directing information to the rest of the School Board.
- Cindy Sues: wished good luck to all of the sports teams heading out for competitions this weekend.

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

- Next board meeting is in two weeks, on March 16<sup>th</sup>.

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

- Janice Malchow moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 pm. Don Bacso seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

Minutes of the March 2, 2020 School Board Meeting were approved and adopted by the Board of School Trustees at the May 18, 2020 School Board Meeting.

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Cindy Sues, President

ATTEST:

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Howard Marshall, Secretary