

**LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL CORPORATION**  
**Lake Central High School**  
**LGI ROOM – Enter Door E**  
**8260 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN 46373**

Board Members Present

Cindy Sues, President  
Louise Tallent, Board Member  
Janice Malchow, Vice President

Board Members Not Present

Howard Marshall, Board Member  
Nicole Kelly, Secretary

Administration Present

Dr. Lawrence Veracco, Superintendent  
Rob James, Director of Business Services  
Rebecca Gromala, Director of Student Services  
Misty Scheuneman, Director of Secondary Education

Administration Not Present

Bill Ledyard, Director of Facilities  
Sarah Castaneda, Assistant Superintendent  
Yolanda Bracey, Director of Elementary Education

*To view the archived video of the meeting in its entirety,  
go to the School Board section of website at [www.lcsc.us](http://www.lcsc.us)*

*All Motions Were Passed With a 3-0  
Vote Unless Otherwise Indicated*

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, September 8, 2025 - 7:00pm**

- I. Call to Order – *Cindy Sues*
  - The meeting was called to order 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 Sarah Castaneda's section.
  - An addition listed as VII.A.1.
  - Janice Malchow moved to approve the revised Agenda.
  - Cindy Sues seconded the motion.
  - Motion carried.
- III. Correspondence – *Nicole Kelly*
  - There was no correspondence.
- IV. Liaison Committee Updates – *Cindy Sues*
  - A. Personnel Interview Committee: Howard Marshall
  - B. Schererville Redevelopment Commission: Nicole Kelly
  - C. Schererville Parks Department: Nicole Kelly
  - D. Lake Central Education Foundation: Janice Malchow
  - E. Legislative Committee: Janice Malchow
  - F. Dyer Parks Department: Janice Malchow
  - G. St. John Redevelopment Commission: Cindy Sues
  - H. Dollars for Scholars: Cindy Sues
  - I. Dyer Redevelopment Commission: Louise Tallent
  - J. Wellness Committee: Louise Tallent

- V. Official School Board Business Topics: Consent Agenda – *Dr. Veracco* – **Action Required**
- A. Approval of Minutes
- Regular Board Meeting: August 18, 2025
- B. Approval of Claims, Payroll and Extracurricular Expenditures
- Louise Tallent moved to approve the Consent Agenda.
  - Janice Malchow seconded the motion.
  - Motion carried.
- VI. Public Comments Regarding Action Items
- There were no public comments regarding action items.
- VII. Official School Board Business Topics: Regular Agenda
- A. Superintendent – *Dr. Veracco*
1. Hearing Prior to Commencing Formal Negotiations with the LCTA
    - The floor was opened for comments or questions. No person wished to be heard.
  2. Tentative Bargaining Timeline
- B. Assistant Superintendent – *Dr. Veracco for Sarah Castaneda*
1. Personnel Recommendations – **Action Required - Revised**
    - Louise Tallent moved to approve the Personnel Recommendations.
    - Cindy Sues seconded the motion.
    - Motion carried.
  2. Professional Leave Requests - **Action Required**
    - Janice Malchow moved to approve.
    - Louise Tallent seconded the motion.
    - Motion carried.
- C. Director of Primary Education – *Yolanda Bracey*
1. Professional Leave Requests - **Action Required**
    - Janice malchow moved to approve.
    - Cindy Sues seconded the motion.
    - Motion carried.
  2. Field Trip Requests - **Action Required**
    - Louise Tallent moved to approve.
    - Cindy Sues seconded the motion.
    - Motion carried.
- D. Director of Secondary Education – *Yolanda Bracey for Misty Scheuneman*
1. Professional Leave Requests - **Action Required**
    - Janice Malchow moved to approve.
    - Louise Tallent seconded the motion.
    - Motion carried.
  2. Field Trip Requests - **Action Required**
    - Janice Malchow moved to approve.
    - Louise Tallent seconded the motion.
    - Motion carried.

E. Director of Student Services - *Becky Gromala*

F. Director of Facilities – *Bill Ledyard*

G. Director of Business Services – *Rob James*

1. Donations - **Action Required**

- Janice Malchow moved to approve.
- Louise Tallent seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

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

- Louise Tallent moved to approve.
- Cindy Sues seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.

3. Permission to Advertise 2026 Budget, Capital Project Plan, and Bus Replacement Plan - **Action Required**

- Janice Malchow moved to approve.
- Cindy Sues seconded the motion.
- Motion carried.
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VIII. Public Comments – *Cindy Sues*

- There were no public comments.

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

- Louise Tallent: I just want to say that it's very inspiring and it's very good that our community and our schools work together. For example, these newsletters that come out to our parents specifically at Kahler and at Protsman and at Bibich all contain information about the open house that's going to be at the fire department in Dyer. And it's so nice to see the communities' work, community organizations work with the schools and so those are well attended by our students. It's also good to see that we have professional development for our AP courses. That is really great. So thank you for thinking about that and also the professional development for our nurses. Thank you.
- Janice Malchow: I was really curious, but Dr. Bracey is not here tonight. I'd like to know more about the northwest Indiana elementary directors conference they hosted. So, maybe we could put that on the Agenda for next time and get some information on that. That'd be great. Thank you.
- Cindy Sues: And, I just want to say thank you to Mr. James for the budget presentation. I know it's a lot of work, so thank you.

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

- Next School Board Meeting: Monday, September 22, 2020

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

- Janice Malchow moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.
- Cindy Sues seconded the motion.
- Motion carried, meeting adjourned.

Minutes of the September 8, 2025 School Board Meeting were approved and adopted by the Board of School Trustees at the September 22, 2025 School Board Meeting.

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Cindy Sues, President

ATTEST:

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Nicole Kelly, Secretary

# **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS FOR MINUTES**

## Bargaining Timeline 2025

- I. 9.8.25 Public Hearing regarding bargaining
  - a. Informal bargaining began last spring
  - b. Limited to wages and fringe benefits (health insurance)
  - c. Open the floor to audience members sharing their opinions on bargaining
- II. 9.15.25 Formal Bargaining period begins
- III. 10.6.25 Tentative agreement posted to website
- IV. 10.20.25 Public Hearing to accept comments on tentative agreement
- V. 11.3.25 Final BOE approval of new terms

- The dates above reflect an ideal timeline. Should the health care renewal or other issues require us to move back the posting of the tentative agreement, we may need to schedule a special public meeting to accept comments on the agreement or to take a final BOE vote on the agreement or both.

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**TO:** Board of School Trustees  
**FROM:** Sarah Castaneda, Assistant Superintendent  
**DATE:** September 4, 2025  
**RE:** Board Meeting of September 8, 2025

## REVISED

### Personnel

*(Board action required)*

We are recommending that the following be approved:

#### I. Certified Appointment(s):

##### A. Appointment(s):

1. Karlee Peloza (rehire), Temporary Science Teacher, Grimmer Middle School (effective September 2, 2025).
2. Hannah Almaz (Highland), Temporary Applied Skills Teacher, Watson Elementary School (effective September 3, 2025).
3. Maurice Russell (Crown Point), Temporary Physical Education Teacher, Bibich Elementary School (effective September 15, 2025; *pending background check*).

#### II. Classified Appointment(s), Resignation(s), Change of Status & Transfer(s):

##### A. Appointment(s):

1. Gale Brown (Dyer), Manager in Training, Lake Central School Corporation (effective September 2, 2025).
2. Benjamin Cash (Dyer), Paraprofessional, Bibich Elementary School (effective August 26, 2025).
3. David White (Dyer), Bus Driver, Lake Central Transportation (effective August 19, 2025).
4. Michelle Gomez (St. John), Bus Driver, Lake Central Transportation (effective August 13, 2025).
5. Breanna Powers-Dollins (Schererville), Paraprofessional, Kahler Middle School (effective August 25, 2025).
6. Michelle Mays-Napier (St. John), Bus Aide, Lake Central Transportation (effective August 25, 2025).
7. Michael Rosenthal (Cedar Lake), Bus Driver, Lake Central Transportation (effective September 8, 2025).
8. Tim Wydrinski (Dyer), Bus Driver, Lake Central Transportation (effective September 8, 2025).
9. Andrea Nieves (rehire), Bus Driver, Lake Central Transportation (effective September 8, 2025).

10. Thomas Midgett (Hammond), Bus Driver, Lake Central Transportation (effective September 8, 2025).
11. Jessica Howe (Gary), Custodian 1A, Protsman Elementary School (effective September 8, 2025).
12. Elise Webb (Dyer), Paraprofessional, Bibich Elementary School (effective September 8, 2025).

**B. Resignation(s):**

1. Lauren Schwitters, 4 day per week Paraprofessional, Kolling Elementary School (effective December 19, 2025).
2. Laura Rosine, Librarian, Grimmer Middle School (effective September 12, 2025).
3. Dyana Butcher, Café Assistant, Grimmer Middle School (effective August 25, 2025).
4. Jamie Carey, Café Assistant, Lake Central High School (effective September 3, 2025).

**C. Change of Status:**

1. Natalie Cauffman, from 6.75 to 7.0 hours per day as a Paraprofessional at Kolling Elementary School (effective August 18, 2025).
2. Emilia Fafrowicz, from 6.75 to 7.0 hours per day as a Paraprofessional at Kolling Elementary School (effective August 18, 2025).

**D. Transfer(s):**

1. Emily Baginski, from Paraprofessional to Library Clerk at Grimmer Middle School (effective September 13, 2025).

**III. Certified Extracurricular Appointment(s) & Resignation(s):**

**A. Appointment(s):**

1. Christa Moore, Math Department Chair, Grimmer Middle School (effective August 20, 2025).
2. Allison Peterson, Science Olympiad Coach, Kahler Middle School (effective August 29, 2025).
3. Christina Miljevic, Spell Bowl Sponsor, Homan Elementary School (effective August 21, 2025).

**B. Resignation(s):**

1. Lynn Malatestinic, Spell Bowl Sponsor, Homan Elementary School (effective August 21, 2025).
2. Leta Sena-Lopez, Purchase of Plan, Grade 5 Music, Kahler Middle School (effective August 11, 2025).
3. Julie Shupryt, Science Department Chair, Lake Central High School (effective August 25, 2025).

**IV. Classified Extracurricular Appointment(s) & Resignation(s):**

**A. Appointment(s):**

1. Jayson Woods, Temporary Assistant Football Coach, Clark Middle School (effective September 8, 2025).

**B. Resignation(s):**

1. Laura Rosine, Project Lit Sponsor, Grimmer Middle School (effective August 25, 2025).

**Approval of Lake Central School Corporation Substitute Staff Appointments and Resignations –  
Refer to attached list of substitutes that have been hired and have resigned.**

9/8/2025

## Substitutes - Hired

Employee Name	Hire Date	Job Description
Andrea Nieves	8/25/2025	Sub Transportation
Daisy Faria	8/27/2025	Sub Cafeteria
Melissa Araya	8/28/2025	Sub Cafeteria
Sarah Wessel	8/28/2025	Classified Sub
Ryan Fejes	8/28/2025	Custodian Sub
Kevin Miller	8/29/2025	Sub Teacher
Jenna Holguin	9/8/2025	Sub Teacher

Substitutes - Resigned
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Kevin Miller	8/29/2025	Sub Teacher

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TO: Board of School Trustees  
FROM: Sarah Castaneda, Assistant Superintendent  
DATE: September 4, 2025  
RE: **Board Meeting of September 8, 2025**

## PROFESSIONAL LEAVE REQUESTS

NAME	Sarah Castaneda
POSITION	Assistant Superintendent
SCHOOL	District
EVENT	ISBA Fall Legal Workshop
DATES	9/23/2025
PLACE	Merrillville, IN
DESCRIPTION	Workshop on new student attendance laws
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana School Board Association
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$175 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
FUNDING	030-0-23290-31200-0001

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<b>NAME</b>	<b>Sarah Castaneda</b>
POSITION	Assistant Superintendent
SCHOOL	District
EVENT	IASBO Leadership Virtual Workshop
DATES	9/24/2025
PLACE	Virtual
DESCRIPTION	Part of IASBO HR Certification track, includes segments on ethics, organizations, relationships, culture and communication
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana Association of School Business Officials
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$110 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
FUNDING	030-0-23290-31200-0001

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Sarah Castaneda</b>
POSITION	Assistant Superintendent
SCHOOL	District
EVENT	IASBO Principles of Education Virtual Workshop
DATES	9/30/2025
PLACE	Virtual
DESCRIPTION	Workshop on the role of government in education, teaching and learning theories, the theories of school finance, part of IASBO HR Certification track
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana School Board Association
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$110 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
FUNDING	030-0-23290-31200-0001

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## PROFESSIONAL LEAVE REQUESTS

NAME	Morgan Garton
POSITION	Teacher / Coach
SCHOOL	Peifer / LCHS
EVENT	Eagle Classic Invite
DATES	9/12 - 9/13/2025
PLACE	Nashville, IN
DESCRIPTION	Girls Cross Country Meet
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	LCHS Athletics
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
FUNDING	Athletics

YB/vv

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Joshua Wierzba / Jen Conlon</b>
<b>POSITION</b>	Assistant Principals
<b>SCHOOL</b>	Protsman Elementary / Watson Elementary
<b>EVENT</b>	IXL Live: Administrator Edition
<b>DATES</b>	9/30/2025
<b>PLACE</b>	South Bend, IN
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Workshop to gain a better understanding of the IXL program
<b>SPONSORING ORGANIZATION</b>	IXL Learning
<b>EXPENSES</b>	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$179 x (2) Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage x (2)
<b>FUNDING</b>	Protsman Title II / Watson Title II

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Lisa Alessandri</b>
<b>POSITION</b>	Elementary Math Coach
<b>SCHOOL</b>	District
<b>EVENT</b>	ILEARN Math Checkpoint: Guiding Math Content, Instruction and Intervention
<b>DATES</b>	9/30 - 10/01/2025
<b>PLACE</b>	Indianapolis, IN
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Professional development to help prepare for the ILEARN checkpoint 2 with instruction and intervention
<b>SPONSORING ORGANIZATION</b>	Keep Indiana Learning at the CIESC Center
<b>EXPENSES</b>	Estimated Meal Cost - \$35 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$190 Estimated Required Fees – \$160 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
<b>FUNDING</b>	Corporation Title II

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Kristie Meeter</b>
POSITION	Nurse Coordinator
SCHOOL	District
EVENT	IASN Fall Conference
DATES	11/10 - 11/11/2025
PLACE	Noblesville, IN
DESCRIPTION	School Nurse Conference
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana Association of School Nurses
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$70 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$388.70 Estimated Required Fees – \$346.08 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
FUNDING	0101-21340-58000-0009

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TO: Board of School Trustees

FROM: Yolanda Bracey, Director of Elementary Education

DATE: September 4, 2025

RE: **Board Meeting of September 8, 2025**

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### ***FIELD TRIP REQUESTS***

Morgan Garton, teacher at Peifer Elementary and Coach at LCHS, requests to take approximately (12) members of the LCHS Girls Cross Country team to Nashville, Indiana on September 12 - September 13, 2025. The team will compete in the Eagle Classic Invite cross country meet. All fees will be covered by athletics.

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FROM: Misty Scheuneman, Director of Secondary Education  
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### **PROFESSIONAL LEAVE REQUESTS**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Scott King</b>
<b>POSITION</b>	Middle School Math Coach
<b>SCHOOL</b>	District
<b>EVENT</b>	Student Centered Coaching: The Workshop
<b>DATES</b>	9/08 - 9/10/2025
<b>PLACE</b>	Indianapolis, IN
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Professional development on instructional coaching by Diane Sweeney
<b>SPONSORING ORGANIZATION</b>	Keep Indiana Learning
<b>EXPENSES</b>	Estimated Meal Cost - \$70 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$200 Estimated Required Fees – \$429 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
<b>FUNDING</b>	Corporation Title II

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<b>NAME</b>	<b>Carrie Brown</b>
POSITION	Science Teacher
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	IU ACP Chemistry Workshop
DATES	9/11 - 9/12/2025
PLACE	Bloomington, IN
DESCRIPTION	Yearly dual credit professional development workshop
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	IU Advanced College Project
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$35 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
FUNDING	684-5-1   300-58000-0002

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Megan Graman</b>
POSITION	School Counselor
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	IU Northwest Counselor Connect Breakfast
DATES	9/12/2025
PLACE	Gary, IN
DESCRIPTION	Opportunity to receive updates on opportunities for students at IU Northwest
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	IU Northwest
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage
FUNDING	684-5-1   300-58000-0002

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Beth Toth</b>
POSITION	Administrative Assistant / AP Coordinator
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	Innovate & Inspire: AP Roundtable
DATES	9/25/2025
PLACE	West Lafayette, IN
DESCRIPTION	Collaborative event regarding AP coursework and broadening access to AP courses
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	College Board
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
FUNDING	684-5-1   300-58000-0002

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Scott King</b>
POSITION	Middle School Math Coach
SCHOOL	District
EVENT	ILEARN Math: Checkpoint 2
DATES	9/30 - 10/01/2025
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	Professional development on using ILEARN Checkpoint 2 data
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Keep Indiana Learning
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$35 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$200 Estimated Required Fees – \$160 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
FUNDING	Corporation Title II

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Courtney Palasz</b>
POSITION	Teacher
SCHOOL	Kahler Middle School
EVENT	Field Trip
DATES	10/08/2025
PLACE	Aurora, IL
DESCRIPTION	Thespian Troupe field trip for lunch and a performance at the Paramount Theatre
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Kahler Thespian Troupe 10511
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
FUNDING	Self-Funded

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Courtney Palasz</b>
POSITION	Teacher
SCHOOL	Kahler Middle School
EVENT	Field Trip
DATES	11/01/2025
PLACE	Rosemont, IL
DESCRIPTION	Kahler Show Choir will sing at a Chicago Wolves game
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Kahler Show Choir
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
FUNDING	Self-Funded

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Kristen Marsh</b>
POSITION	Teacher
SCHOOL	Grimmer Middle School
EVENT	Field Trip
DATES	11/02/2025
PLACE	Rosemont, IL
DESCRIPTION	Grimmer Choir students will perform at a Chicago Wolves game
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Grimmer Choir
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
FUNDING	Self-Funded

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Blandine Baldwin</b>
POSITION	Teacher
SCHOOL	LCHS
EVENT	IFLTA Fall Conference
DATES	11/07 - 11/08/2025
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	Workshops for foreign language teachers
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana Foreign Language Teachers Association
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$35 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$154 Estimated Required Fees – \$185 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
FUNDING	LCHS Title II

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Ryan Vondrak</b>
POSITION	Assistant Principal
SCHOOL	Kahler Middle School
EVENT	Assistant Principals Conference
DATES	11/19 - 11/21/2025
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	Annual Assistant Principals Conference
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	IASP
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$70 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$397.80 Estimated Required Fees – \$214 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
FUNDING	684-6

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Kenneth Newton</b>
POSITION	Principal
SCHOOL	Kahler Middle School
EVENT	Fall Professionals Conference
DATES	11/23 - 11/25/2025
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	Conference on leadership and professional growth
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	IASP
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$70 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$460 Estimated Required Fees – \$369 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
FUNDING	684-6

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Courtney Palasz</b>
POSITION	Teacher
SCHOOL	Kahler Middle School
EVENT	IMEA Conference
DATES	1/15 - 1/17/2026
PLACE	Ft. Wayne, IN
DESCRIPTION	Presenter at conference
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana Music Educators Association
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$70 Estimated Hotel Cost – \$380 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage & Parking
FUNDING	684-6

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TO: Board of School Trustees

FROM: Misty Scheuneman, Director of Secondary Education

DATE: September 4, 2025

RE: **Board Meeting of September 8, 2025**

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## **FIELD TRIP REQUESTS**

Courtney Palasz, teacher at Kahler Middle School, requests to take approximately (40) members of the Kahler Thespian Troupe 10511 to Aurora, IL on October 8, 2025. The Troupe will have lunch at the Paramount Theatre and watch a performance of "Come From Away". This is a self-funded field trip.

She also requests to take approximately (40) members of the Kahler Show Choir to Rosemont, IL on November 1, 2025. The Choir will perform at the Chicago Wolves game. This is a self-funded field trip.

Kristen Marsh, teacher at Grimmer Middle School, requests to take approximately (50) members of the Grimmer Choir to Rosemont, IL on November 2, 2025. The choir will perform at the Chicago Wolves game. This is a self-funded field trip.

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## **Donations (Action Required)**

### **Received**

The Peifer PTO would like to donate \$751.14 for the purchase of a buddy bench to be placed at Peifer.

Bibich Elementary School received a donation of \$1,781 from Faith Reformed Church.

Protsman 3<sup>rd</sup> grade received a donation of \$1,963 from the Dollar General Literacy Foundation.

### **Given**

Lake Central High School N-Teens would like to donate \$2,860 to Riley's House.

## **Professional Leave Requests (Action Required)**

I am requesting the professional leave to attend the following events:

1. IASBO Treasurer's Workshop on October 2<sup>nd</sup> in Indianapolis
2. IASBO/INDSPRA Seminar on October 8<sup>th</sup> in Indianapolis
3. IASBO Extra Curricular Seminar on October 15<sup>th</sup> in Indianapolis
4. IASBO School Finance Seminar on December 4<sup>th</sup> in Indianapolis

**Permission to Advertise 2026 Budget, Capital Project Plan, and Bus Replacement Plan (Action Required)**

I will be giving a presentation to the School Board regarding the upcoming 2026 Budget. At the completion, I will ask the Board permission to advertise the 2026 Budget, Capital Projects Plan, and 5-Year Bus Replacement Plans. The Budget, Capital Projects Plan, and Bus Replacement Plan will be posted on the State's Gateway website, as well as on our school corporation website.

The Administration is recommending board approval for this advertisement.

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## **PROFESSIONAL LEAVE**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Rob James</b>
<b>POSITION</b>	Director of Business Services
<b>SCHOOL</b>	LCSC
<b>EVENT</b>	IASBO Treasurer's Workshop
<b>DATES</b>	October 2, 2025
<b>PLACE</b>	Indianapolis, IN
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	IASBO Treasurer's Workshop Day#2
<b>SPONSORING ORGANIZATION</b>	Indiana Association of School Business Officials
<b>EXPENSES</b>	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
<b>FUNDING</b>	All Costs Covered by IASBO

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<b>POSITION</b>	Director of Business Services
<b>SCHOOL</b>	LCSC
<b>EVENT</b>	Joint IASBO/INDSPRA School Finance Communications Seminar
<b>DATES</b>	October 8, 2025
<b>PLACE</b>	Indianapolis, IN
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	IASBO/INDSPRA Seminar
<b>SPONSORING ORGANIZATION</b>	Indiana Association of School Business Officials
<b>EXPENSES</b>	Estimated Meal Cost - \$0 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$0 Estimated Required Fees – \$0 Estimated Travel Cost – \$0
<b>FUNDING</b>	All Costs Covered by IASBO

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## PROFESSIONAL LEAVE

NAME	Rob James, Chrissy Demantes
POSITION	Director of Business Services; ECA Bookkeeper
SCHOOL	LCSC; Homan
EVENT	IASBO Extra Curricular Seminar
DATES	October 15, 2025
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	IASBO Extra Curricular Seminar
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana Association of School Business Officials
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$35 each Estimated Hotel Cost - \$250 Estimated Required Fees – \$200 Estimated Travel Cost – Mileage
FUNDING	0300-25110-580-0001

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## PROFESSIONAL LEAVE

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Rob James</b>
POSITION	Director of Business Services
SCHOOL	Lake Central School Corporation
EVENT	IASBO School Finance Issues Seminar
DATES	December 4, 2025
PLACE	Indianapolis, IN
DESCRIPTION	IASBO School Finance Issues Seminar
SPONSORING ORGANIZATION	Indiana Association of School Business Officials
EXPENSES	Estimated Meal Cost - \$35 Estimated Hotel Cost - \$250 Estimated Required Fees - \$205 Estimated Travel Cost - Mileage
FUNDING	0300-25110-580-0001