

**LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL CORPORATION
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2011**

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Central School Corporation was held in the Lake Central Freshmen Center LGI Room, 8410 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN on Monday, October 3, 2011. The meeting began at 7:35 p.m.

Board Members Present

Don Bacso, Secretary
George Baranowski, President
Valentina Lozanoski, Member
Howard Marshall, Vice-President

Board Members Not Present

John DeVries, Member

Administration Present

Al Gandolfi, Assistant Superintendent
Rob James, Director of Business Services
Mark Kellogg, Director of Primary Education
Bill Ledyard, Director of Facilities
Dr. Lawrence Veracco, Superintendent

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Please note that all motions
were carried 5-0
unless otherwise indicated.

I.	Call to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Board President, George Baranowski.
II.	Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pledge of Allegiance led by George Baranowski.
III.	Agenda: Approval, Deletions, Additions - <i>Dr. Veracco</i> - Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Bacso moved to approve the Agenda as presented. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried.
IV.	Correspondence – <i>Mr. Bacso</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no correspondence.
V.	Official School Board Business Topics: Consent Agenda – <i>Dr. Veracco</i> – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Marshall moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Val Lozanoski seconded the motion. Motion carried.
	A. Approval of Minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • September 19, 2011 – Regular Board Meeting
	B. Approval of Claims, Payroll and Extracurricular Expenditures
VI.	Official School Board Business Topics: Regular Agenda

A.	<p>Superintendent – <i>Dr. Veracco</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lake County Coalition for Emergency Response Drill - Dr. David Milen 2. School Choice Scholarship Update (Vouchers)
B.	<p>Assistant Superintendent / Personnel / Director of Secondary Education – <i>Al Gandolfi</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Personnel Recommendations – Action Required <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. <i>Classified Resignations, Appointments, and Transfers</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. <i>Resignations:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Derek Cisazr, Transportation Mechanic, Lake Central Transportation Department (effective September 30, 2011).</i> B. <i>Appointments:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Lynn Zaikos (Schererville), Grade 1 Instructional Aide, Homan Elementary School (effective September 19, 2011).</i> 2. <i>Alex Santos (Dyer), Technical Aide, Lake Central School Corporation (effective September 23, 2011).</i> 3. <i>Suzette Heard (Crown Point), Lunchroom Supervisor, Kahler Middle School (effective September 27, 2011).</i> 4. <i>Karla Schoonmaker (Dyer), Playground Aide, Kahler Middle School (effective September 26, 2011).</i> 5. <i>Matthew Toczek (Schererville), Technical Aide, Lake Central School Corporation (effective September 26, 2011).</i> 6. <i>Kathleen Cusson (Crown Point), Lunchroom Supervisor, Kahler Middle School (effective October 3, 2011).</i> 7. <i>Charleen Murray (St. John), temporary Reading Tutor, Bibich Elementary School (effective September 27, 2011).</i> C. <i>Transfers:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Tracey Morsovillo, from a Playground Aide to a Departmental Aide at Kahler Middle School (effective September 26, 2011).</i> 2. <i>Lynn Ricciardi, from a Reading Tutor to a temporary ENL Tutor at Bibich Elementary School (effective September 26, 2011).</i> II. <i>Certified Extracurricular Resignations and Appointments</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. <i>Resignations:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Aimee Jewett, Help Club Sponsor, Clark Middle School (effective for the 2011/2012 school year).</i> B. <i>Appointments:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Pamela Neth, Musical Director, Lake Central High School (effective 2011/2012 school year).</i> III. <i>West Lake Classified Resignations and Appointments</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. <i>Resignations:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Mary Gallagher, Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Elliott School (effective September 30, 2011).</i> B. <i>Appointments:</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Lindsay Lotshaw (Crown Point), Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Homan Elementary School (effective September 13, 2011).</i> 2. <i>Jude Keelan (Dyer), Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Munster High School (effective September 22, 2011).</i> 3. <i>Rachel Dermody (Schererville), Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Kahler Middle School (effective October 3, 2011).</i> IV. <i>Approval of Lake Central School Corporation Substitute Staff – Refer to attached list of substitutes hired from September 1, 2011 through September 28, 2011.</i>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Marshall moved to approve the Personnel Recommendations as presented. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Professional Leave Requests – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Marshall moved to approve the Professional Leave Requests for the following: Laura Bloom-Johnson, Laura Rosine, Bob Gustas, Stacey Lopes, Barbara Cerwinske, Erin Spinks, Barbara Serynek, Carrie Wadycki, Sarah Verpooten, Kathy Rosinski, Cindy Hurlley, Christine Gaines, Allison Castle, Scott King, Jason Putman, Michele Tyler, Donna Spivak, Letitia Gustas, Rose Sgambelluri, Leta Sena-Lopez, Rita Chavez, Kathy Rosinski, Terri Budlove and Ritz Chavez. Val Lozanoski seconded the motion. Motion carried. 3. Field Trips – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Bacso moved to approve the Field Trip Requests for the following: Carrie Wadycki, Sarah Verpooten, Kathy Rosinski, Cyndi Hurley, Rita Chavez, Kathy Rosinski and Terri Budlove. 4. Credit Recovery, LCHS Update (Tim Powers) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tim Powers presented to the Board the LCHS Credit Alternative Program. The program was implemented on January 19, 2011 to re-engage students who miss or fail academic courses and are at greater risk of dropping out of school than their peers. Schools can provide extra study time and opportunities for credit recovery and accumulation. An increasing number of schools use online learning options for credit recovery. The use of technology as an alternative to traditional classroom instruction individualizes and allows for scheduling flexibility. • 45 Seniors were enrolled last year (January – May). English 11 (American Literature) has the most enrollees. We anticipated 4-6 weeks per credit on average. The total credits earned last semester 116. • CAP goals for 2011-2012 are 500+ credits and a 90% graduation rate. 5. American Heart Association Fundraising Effort (Robin Tobias)
C.	<p>Director of Primary Education – <i>Mark Kellogg</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professional Leave Requests – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Marshall moved to approve the Professional Leave Requests for the following: Jennifer Baker, Beth Hall, Kathi Tucker, Deann Logan, Lori Smith, Lynn Makely, Shannon DeSt.Jean, Cindy Milaszewski, Julie Stepanoski and Laura Klein. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried. 2. Annual Elementary and Middle School Field Trip Approval – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Marshall moved to approve the Annual Elementary and Middle School Field Trips. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried. 3. Report on Public Law 109 – Grade 3 Mandatory Retention <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In March of 2010 the Indiana General Assembly passed Public Law 109 requiring the evaluation of reading skills for all third grade students. This legislation was developed to ensure students can read at grade level prior to fourth grade. As many researchers and educators have noted, from Kindergarten through grade three, students are primarily “learning to read.” But beginning in fourth grade, students must be able to “read to learn.” Standards and materials only get more complex from fourth grade forward, and students who cannot read proficiently will struggle to keep up with their peers. In response to this legislation, third grade students will take the <i>Indiana Reading Evaluation And Determination (IREAD-3)</i> Assessment during the Spring 2012 test window, which is March 19-21, 2012. This is a separate paper-pencil test from the ISTEP+, and an additional assessment to the ISTEP+. Results are expected in early April to facilitate planning 4th grade placement.

	<p>D. Director of Facilities – <i>Bill Ledyard</i></p>
	<p>E. Director of Business Services – <i>Rob James</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Donations – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protsman Elementary received a \$200 donation from an anonymous parent for the purchase of a stock Epi-pen to be used by the school nurse to treat students with allergic reactions. The same parent donated an additional \$200 to be used at the discretion of the principal for the benefit of the school. • Homan Elementary received a donation of \$2,500 from Big Lots, Inc. Big Lots recently opened in Schererville and has a practice of making a donation to a local school upon opening a new store. • The Homan PTO would like to make a donation of \$15,000 to be used to purchase eight Smart Boards for the Homan teaching staff. • Don Bacso moved to approve all donations both given and received. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. 2. Extra Curricular Purchases – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Marshall moved to approve all extra-curricular purchases. Val Lozanoski seconded the motion. Motion carried.
<p>VII.</p>	<p>Board and Public Comments and Consideration of Future Agenda Items – <i>Mr. Baranowski</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Public Comments • Howard Marshall asked if there was any talk about moving the concession stand? Robin Tobias responded that we were able to use the soccer concession stand. • Don Bacso offered congratulations to Tim Powers and asked that Mr. Powers share the sentiment with the teachers regarding the CAP. • Val Lozanoski said thank you for the theater students’ participation in the Emergency Coalition. • George Baranowski stated “Go LC!” • Dr. Veracco asked that everyone please keep up with all of our successful sports teams.
<p>VIII.</p>	<p>Board Calendar of Future Activities – <i>Dr. Veracco</i></p>
<p>IX.</p>	<p>Adjournment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Bacso moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.
<p>Minutes of the October 3, 2011 School Board Meeting were approved and adopted by the Board of School Trustees at the October 17, 2011 School Board Meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ George Baranowski, President</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">_____ Don Bacso, Secretary</p>	