# LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL CORPORATION SCHOOL BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

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 Tuesday, September 7, 2010. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

## **Board Members Present**

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

## **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

*Please note that all		<b>BOARD MEETING MINUTES: SEPTEMBER 7, 2010</b>	
motions were carried 5-0			
unless otherwise indicated.			
I.	Call to Order		
	• Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Board President, George Baranowski.		
II.	Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag		
	Pledge of Allegiance led by George Baranowski.		
III.	Agenda: Approval, Deletions, Additions - Dr. Veracco		
	<ul> <li>Dr. Veracco identified additional pieces for the Agenda: we have a Revised Personnel Board Packet and item VI. B. 5 under Mr. Gandolfi's section will need to be an Action Required item.</li> <li>Don Bacso moved for approval as amended. Dr. DeVries seconded the motion. Motion carried.</li> </ul>		
IV.			
	Mr. Bacso stated there is no correspondence.		
V.	Official School Board Business Topics: Consent Agenda - Dr. Veracco		
	Dr. DeVries moved for approval. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried.		
	A. Approval	of Minutes:	
	1. Aug	gust 16, 2010 Executive Session	
		gust 16, 2010 Regular Board Meeting	
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B. Approval of Claims, Payroll and Extracurricular Expenditures VI. Official School Board Business Topics: Regular Agenda A. Superintendent – *Dr. Veracco* 1. Staff Recognition: Volunteer CPR Trainers • Dr. Veracco introduced for recognition Karen Arehart (LCHS PE Teacher), Jim Tonkovich (LCHS PE Teacher) and Jeffrey Rhody (LCHS Science Teacher). These three teachers all volunteered free time outside of school hours to train a total of 43 individuals in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and Automated External Defibrillation through the American Red Cross. Their efforts will lead to a safer LCSC community. 2. Kahler/Clark Middle School Anti-Bullying Presentation – presented by Karen Brownell Mrs. Brownell and her staff gave a presentation on Anti-Bullying called Rachel's Challenge. Rachel Scott was the first victim in the Columbine High School shooting. Rachel's Challenge will be presented at Kahler (and Clark) Middle School as an educational message to raise awareness of the effects of bullying and to promote acts of kindness s in hopes of making a difference through chain reaction. 3. Coalition for Emergency Response Drill date will be September 25, 2010. Three groups of approximately twelve students each to role play individuals injured in a tornado strike. Exercise will begin at 8:30 a.m. with local area sirens sounding. "Tornado" will come through at 8:40 a.m., first responders will arrive at 8:50 a.m. and the exercise will end at 10:15 a.m. 4. Board Policy Revisions A. Conflict of Interest – Private Practice (Policy 1130) B. Corporation-Sponsored Clubs and Activities (Policy 2430) C. School-Sponsored Publications and Productions (Policy 5722) • Dr. DeVries moved to approve the revisions to Policy Numbers 1130, 2430 and 5722. Don Bacso seconded the Motion. Motion carried. 5. Board Policy Revisions – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading A. Student Suicide (Policy 5350) B. Use of School Facilities (Policy 7510) Assistant Superintendent / Personnel / Secondary Education – Al Gandolfi В. 1. Personnel Recommendations: Certified Terminations, Appointments, and Leaves A. Terminations: 1. Stephanie Bondi-Smith, Temporary Grade 2 Teacher, Homan Elementary School (effective August 23, 2010). B. Appointments: 1. Rachel Langer (Valparaiso), Temporary TK1 Teacher, Watson Elementary School (effective August 17, 2010; for Liz Vossos leave for 10/11 school year). 2. Heather Stammis (Griffith), ½ day Kindergarten Teacher, Watson Elementary School (effective August 17, 2010). 3. Jessica Smith-Summers (Dyer), Grade 5 Teacher, Kahler Middle School effective August 17, 2010). 4. Jennifer Bianchi (Gary), Temporary 1<sup>st</sup> Semester English Teacher, Lake Central High School (effective August 17, 2010 for Erin Novak's maternity leave).

- 5. Nancy Coster (Hobart), Science Teacher, Grimmer Middle School (effective August 17, 2010).
- 6. Jane Dykstra (Crown Point), ½ Day Kindergarten Teacher, Kolling Elementary School (effective August 17, 2010).

#### C. Leaves:

- 1. Teresa Zentz, Social Studies/Psychology Teacher, Lake Central High School (effective January 30, 2011 thru June 2, 2011; maternity leave).
- 2. Todd Smolinski, Language Arts Teacher, Lake Central High School (effective September 2, 2010 thru September 9, 2010; paternity leave).
- 3. Katherine Nierengarten, Special Education Teacher Kahler Middle School (August 20, 2010 thru June 2, 2011; maternity leave/bed rest per doctor).

## II. Classified Retirements, Resignations and Appointments

#### A. Retirements:

- 1. Juanita Miller, Bus Driver, Lake Central Transportation (effective December 31, 2010); 17 years of service.
- 2. Bernadette Furtek, Bus Driver, Lake Central Transportation (effective October 27, 2010); 12.7 years of service.

### B. Resignations:

- 1. Shirley Nelson, Product Specialist, Kahler Middle School (effective August 18, 2010).
- 2. Donna Bandura, Playground Aide, Clark Middle School (effective September 10, 2010).
- 3. Therese McCotter, Prime Time Aide, Protsman Elementary School (effective September 3, 2010).

### B. Appointments:

- 1. Kendra Ray (Dyer), Prime Time Aide, Kolling Elementary School (effective August 18, 2010).
- 2. Jessica Valente (Crown Point), Prime Time Aide, Peifer Elementary School (effective August 18, 2010).
- 3. Jill Egipciaco (Dyer), Technology Aide, Lake Central Technology (effective August 9, 2010).
- 4. Samantha St. Aubin (Crown Point), ENL Tutor, Clark Middle School (effective August 18, 2010).
- 5. Christine Fotia (Schererville), Prime Time Aide, Bibich Elementary School (effective August 30, 2010).
- 6. Melissa Wilfinger (Griffith), Reading Tutor, Bibich Elementary School (effective August 30, 2010).

### C. Transfer:

- 1. Rose Extin, from Custodian to Head Custodian at Peifer Elementary School (effective July 1, 2010).
- 2. Tari Bencur, from Café Assistant to Product Specialist at Kahler Middle School (effective August 30, 2010).
- 3. Shirley Nelson, from Product Specialist at Kahler Middle School to Elementary Assistant at Protsman Elementary School (effective August 19, 2010).

### III. Certified Extracurricular Resignations and Appointments

## A. Resignations:

- 1. Dessie Kammer, Chess Club Sponsor, Clark Middle School (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).
- 2. Gail Lemon, Help Club Sponsor, Kahler Middle School (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).
- 3. Rhonda York, Speech Team Sponsor, Lake Central High School (effective for the

2010/2011 school year).

## B. Appointments:

- 1. Jeff Brooks, Science Department Chair, Grimmer Middle School (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).
- 2. Jason Aubuchon, AM/PM Bus Duty, Kolling Elementary School (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).
- 3. Milan Ivankovic, Science Olympiad Assistant Coach, Grimmer Middle School (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).
- 4. Kelly Boersma, Student Council Co-Sponsor, Bibich Elementary School (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).
- 5. Louise Tallent, Student Council Co-Sponsor, Bibich Elementary School (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).

### IV. Classified Extracurricular Resignations and Appointments

### A. Resignations:

1. Gloria Harkins, Bus Duty, Watson Elementary (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).

### *B. Appointments:*

- 1. Kelly Hansen, AM Bus Duty, Watson Elementary School (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).
- 2. Lisa Stoffer, AM/PM Bus Duty, Bibich Elementary School (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).
- 3. Phyllis Vargo, AM/PM Bus Duty, Watson Elementary School (effective for the 2010/2011 school year).

## V. West Lake

**Certified Appointments** 

### A. Appointments:

1. Samantha Rubalcava (Valparaiso), Permanent Sub Teacher, West Lake/Lake Central High School (effective August 17, 2010; pending receipt of Arizona License and Indiana Reciprocal License).

Classified Terminations, Resignations, Appointments, and Transfers

#### A. Terminations:

- 1. Danny Smith, Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Synergy (effective August 23, 2010).
- 2. Suzanne Homans, Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Watson Elementary School (effective August 18, 2010).

### B. Resignations:

- 1. Eva Williams, Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Kahler Elementary School (effective August 30, 2010).
- 2. Julie Stooksbury, Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Elliott School (effective August 18, 2010).
- 3. Janet Larson, Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Protsman Elementary School (effective September 11, 2010).

### C. Appointments:

- 1. Katherine Garvey (Schererville), Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Elliott School (effective August 30, 2010).
- 2. Nicole Luttell (DeMotte), Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Kahler Middle School (effective August 30, 2010).
- 3. Sara Gregson (Munster), Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Kahler Middle School (effective August 18, 2010).
- 4. Marge Lulinski (Munster), Physical Therapist, West Lake (effective August 18, 2010).

5. Debahuti Chatterjee (Munster), Instructional Assistant, West Lake/Frank Hammond (effective August 24, 2010). D. Transfers: 1. Kathy Hobby, Instructional Assistant, from West Lake/Protsman to West Lake/Watson Elementary School (effective August 18, 2010). 2. Antoinette Gwiazda, Instructional Assistant, from West Lake/Grimmer to West Lake/Clark School (effective August 18, 2010). VI. Approval of Lake Central School Corporation Substitute Staff – Refer to attached list of substitutes as of August 30, 2010. Don Bacso moved to approve the Personnel Recommendations in both the Revised and Original Packet. Val Lozanoski seconded the Motion. Motion carried. 2. Professional Leave Requests Val Lozanoski moved to approve the Professional Leave Requests. Howard Marshall seconded the Motion. Motion carried. 3. Field Trip • Howard Marshall moved to approve the Field Trip Requests submitted by Mr. Gandolfi on behalf of various staff members. Dr. DeVries seconded the Motion. Motion carried. 4. High School Summer School Final Grade Report Mr. Gandolfi presented 2010 Summer School Grade Distribution data. 5. Additional Supervision Responsibilities at the High School Additional supervisory responsibilities were added during SRT and lunchroom hours at the High School. • Howard Marshall moved to approve the addition. Don Bacso seconded the Motion. Motion carried. 6. 2009-2010 ECA Summary Report for LCSC An informational packet regarding ISTEP+ Results (ECA) Spring 2010 was provided to the Board which contained School Disaggregation Summary Reports for the Spring 2009-2010 Graduation Examinations for English 10, Algebra 1 and Biology 1. 7. Department Aide for High School Attendance Office Howard Marshall moved to approve a Department Aide for the High School Attendance Office. Dr. DeVries seconded the Motion. Motion carried. C. Director of Primary Education – Mark Kellogg 1. Non-English Speaking (NESP) Grant Lake Central School Corporation was notified by the Indiana Department of Education that the state Non-English Speaking Program (NESP) grant application submitted by LC has been approved in the amount of \$28,739.50. The purpose of the state-funded Non-English Speaking Program is to provide English language development instruction to K-12 limited English proficient (LEP) students in order to increase their English language proficiency and academic achievement. Director of Facilities – Bill Ledyard D. 1. Homan HVAC Project Update 2. Protsman ES Modular Classroom Update

Director of Business Services – Rob James

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- 1. Public Hearing on 2011 Budget, Capital Project Plan, and Bus Replacement Plan
  - The Regular Board Meeting was suspended at 8:20 p.m. for the Public Hearing on 2011 Budget, Capital Project Plan and the Bus Replacement Plan.
  - Rob James outlined the Budget Calendar, 2011 Budget Preparation, 2011 Capital Projects Plan, 12 Year Bus Replacement Plan, Estimate of Funds to be Raised and Tax Rate Comparison
  - There were no public comments.
  - The Public Hearing concluded at 8:28 p.m. and the Regular Board Meeting resumed at 8:28 p.m.
- 2. Approval of Bond Resolution for General Obligation Bonds
  - The Administration is requesting permission to issue General Obligation Bonds in the amount of \$1,550,000 to be used for renovating the Freshman Center and the High School. This bond will be payable over two (2) years at an interest rate not to exceed five percent.
  - The Administration recommends approval of the Bond Resolution for the General Obligation Bonds.
  - Howard Marshall moved to approve. Dr. DeVries seconded the Motion. Motion carried.
- 3. Approval of Additional Appropriation Notice Resolution
  - The Administration is requesting permission to advertise for an Additional Appropriation in the amount of \$1,550,000 for the General Obligation Bonds based on the approval of the above action. We intend to hold a hearing on this additional appropriation on October 18, 2010.
  - The Administration recommends approval of the Additional Appropriation Notice resolution.
  - Dr. DeVries moved for approval. Howard Marshall seconded the Motion. Motion carried.
- 4. Approval of Resolution Re-Approving Building Corporation
  - The Administration recommends reapproving the Lake Central Multi-District Building Corporation to assist in the financing of the construction of school facilities such as the construction of energy conservation improvements to Peifer Elementary School, Bibich Elementary School, Kolling Elementary School, and the High School. The School Corporation will allocate to the Building Corporation its allocation of \$4,000,000 received from the Indiana Department of Education to issue Qualified School Construction Bonds. These bonds will be interest free to the Building Corporation.
  - The Administration recommends approval of the resolution Reapproving the Lake Central Multi-District Building Corporation.
  - Howard Marshall moved to approve. Val Lozanoski seconded the Motion. Motion carried.
- 5. Approval of Resolution Approving Form of Amendment to Lease
  - The issuance of Quality School Construction Bonds by the Lake Central Multi-School District Building Corporation will require an amendment to the current lease with the school corporation. This resolution approves the form of that amendment, which I have included in this packet. We intend to hold a hearing on this lease amendment on October 18, 2010.
    - The Administration recommends approving the resolution Approving the Form of Amendment to Lease for the Quality School Construction Bonds.
  - Dr. DeVries moved for approval. Don Bacso seconded the Motion. Motion carried.
- 6. Professional Leave Request

	<ul> <li>Don Bacso moved to approve the Professional Leave Request. Howard Marshall seconded the Motion. Motion carried.</li> <li>7. Donations Received: <ul> <li>Watson Elementary School has received a \$300 check from BP Amoco from their Fabric of America Fund from Mr. Stefan Dobrowolski. We will deposit the donation in the Watson EC/Student Activities Account.</li> <li>Howard Marshall moved to accept the donation. Dr. DeVries seconded the Motion. Motion carried.</li> </ul> </li> <li>8. Extra-Curricular Purchases <ul> <li>Kahler Middle School is requesting approval to purchase equipment for the choir and will be paid from the Choir Extra-Curricular Fund. Expenditures total \$2,917.37.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
VII.	Board and Public Comments and Consideration of Future Agenda Items – Mr. Baranowski		
	No Public Comments  Parad Maryland Vallandard Walder for their Parkel? Challenge appropriation.		
	<ul> <li>Board Member Val Lozanoski thanked Kahler for their Rachel's Challenge presentation.</li> <li>Dr. DeVries commented that we are off to a good start to the school year and the LC Football</li> </ul>		
	team is off to a good start also.		
	• George Baranowski stated that he has heard all good things about the Football Program.		
VIII.	Board Calendar of Future Activities – <i>Dr. Veracco</i>		
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IX.	Adjournment  • Dr. DeVries moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Val Lozanoski seconded the motion Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.		
	utes of the September 7, 2010 School Board Meeting were approved and adopted by the Board chool Trustees at the September 20, 2010 School Board meeting.		
	George Baranowski, President		
	ATTEST:		
	Don Bacso, Secretary		