

LAKE CENTRAL SCHOOL CORPORATION
Lake Central High School – LGI Room – Enter Door G
8400 Wicker Avenue, St. John, Indiana 46373
Monday, November 21, 2016 – 7:30 p.m.

A meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Central School Corporation was held in the Lake Central High School LGI Room, 8410 Wicker Avenue, St. John, IN on November 21, 2016. The meeting began at 7:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Don Bacso, Member
 John DeVries, President
 Sandy Lessentine, Secretary
 Janice Malchow, Vice-President
 Howard Marshall, Member

Board Members Not Present

Administration Present

Sarah Castaneda, Director of Secondary Education
 Al Gandolfi, Assistant Superintendent
 Rob James, Director of Business Services
 Bill Ledyard, Director of Facilities
 Theresa Schoon, Director of Primary Education
 Dr. Lawrence Veracco, Superintendent

Administration Not Present

<u>SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES</u> Monday, November 21, 2016	
<i>All motions passed 5-0 unless otherwise indicated.</i>	
I.	Call to Order – <i>John DeVries</i>
II.	Verification of Receipt and Review of Board Packet – <i>Janice Malchow</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has each member successfully received the electronic version of tonight’s board agenda, along with the individual supporting documents, reviewed them, and directed any questions or corrections to Dr. Veracco, prior to this meeting? Bacso – Yes DeVries - Yes Lessentine – Yes Malchow – Yes Marshall - Yes
III.	Agenda: Approval, Deletions, Additions - <i>Dr. Veracco- Action Required</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revisions to the Agenda include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - additional item under Dr. Veracco’s section, number 1, Resolution of the Tippecanoe School Corporation Board of Trustees; - additional item under Dr. Veracco’s section, number 5, 2017 Board Meeting Calendar; - the deletion of an item under Theresa Schoon’s section, number 2, Science as an Elementary Elective; and, - an additional item under Theresa Schoons section, PLTW visit at Flint Lake Elementary. • Janice Malchow moved to approve the Revised Agenda. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.
IV.	Correspondence – <i>Sandy Lessentine</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was no correspondence.

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V.	<p>Liaison Committee Updates – <i>John DeVries</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. West Lake Joint Managing Board: Howard Marshall 2. Building and Renovation Committee: Janice Malchow 3. Personnel Interview Committee: Howard Marshall 4. Legislative Committee: Janice Malchow 5. Lake Central Education Foundation: Janice Malchow 6. Wellness Committee: Janice Malchow 7. Dollars for Scholars: Dr. Veracco 8. Dyer Redevelopment Committee: Don Bacso 9. St. John Redevelopment Committee: John DeVries 10. Schererville Redevelopment Committee: Sandy Lessentine 																		
VI.	<p>Official School Board Business Topics: Consent Agenda – <i>Dr. Veracco</i> – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Marshall moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Janice Malchow seconded the motion. Motion carried. 																		
A.	<p>Approval of Minutes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 7, 2016 																		
B.	<p>Approval of Claims, Payroll and Extracurricular Expenditures</p>																		
VII.	<p>Official School Board Business Topics: Regular Agenda</p>																		
A.	<p>Superintendent – <i>Dr. Veracco</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resolution of the Tippecanoe School Corporation Board of Trustees <p style="text-align: center;">RESOLUTION OF THE TIPPECANOE SCHOOL CORPORATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES</p> <p>Whereas the Boards of School Trustees of Lafayette School Corporation, Tippecanoe School Corporation, and West Lafayette School Corporation desire to continue exploring alternatives to the current state assessment system, alternatives that require less testing time and that provide timely information about student academic progress that can be used by teachers, parents, and schools to create continuous improvement plans; AND</p> <p>Whereas the Boards of School Trustees of Lafayette School Corporation, Tippecanoe School Corporation, and West Lafayette School Corporation desire to continue exploring alternatives to the current state school accountability system, alternatives that provide multiple measures and serve as a more complete and accurate picture of school and district progress towards helping each student achieve their full potential; AND</p> <p>Whereas the three school districts can cooperate and collaborate with community stakeholders to enhance the educational opportunities provided to the children in Tippecanoe County;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby ratifies, approves and affirms that the Corporation shall participate in this process; AND</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees reserves the authority to vote on any locally developed plan before that plan may be submitted to the State.</p> <p>This resolution is hereby adopted this 9th day of March, 2016 by the Tippecanoe School Corporation Board of School Trustees.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%; text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="width: 33%; text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="width: 33%; text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Board President</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Board Vice President</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Board Secretary</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Member</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Member</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Member</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Member</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> </p>	_____	_____	_____	Board President	Board Vice President	Board Secretary	_____	_____	_____	Member	Member	Member	_____			Member		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Janice Malchow discussed the Tippecanoe Resolution that states that they are exploring other alternatives to the state assessments. She would like to work up verbiage for a draft for Lake Central Schools and get it to Dr. Veracco for review. 2. Professional Leave Request: IPLI follow up – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janice Malchow moved to approve the professional leave request of Dr. Veracco, Ken Newton and Cassandra Cruz. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried. 3. Veterans Programs – outstanding reviews 4. Strategic Plan – climate survey combined with 21st century learning needs capacity and college and career readiness data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First part of the plan went live today. Voicemail to parents, email to parents including link and on front page of website with link. 5. 2017 Board Meeting Calendar – Action Required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Marshall moved to approve the 2017 Board Meeting Calendar. Sandy Lessentine seconded the motion. Motion carried. • Dr. Veracco added that there will be a new board member orientation on Feb 9th in LaPorte.
<p>B.</p>	<p>Assistant Superintendent / Personnel – <i>Al Gandolfi</i></p> <p>1. Personnel Recommendations – Action Required</p> <p><i>I. Certified Leaves and Resignations:</i></p> <p><i>A. Leaves:</i></p> <p><i>1. Jill Zilz, Math Teacher, Lake Central High School (extended medical leave effective January 9, 2017 through the end of the 2016-2017 school year).</i></p> <p><i>B. Resignations:</i></p> <p><i>1. Tara Dransoff, English Teacher, Kahler Middle School (effective December 2, 2016).</i></p> <p><i>II. Classified Retirements, Appointments, Transfers and Change of Hours:</i></p> <p><i>A. Retirements:</i></p> <p><i>1. Linda Popiolek, Guidance Secretary, Clark Middle School (effective December 23, 2016; 32.5 years of dedicated service).</i></p> <p><i>2. Penny Gorski, Clerical Aide, Clark Middle School (effective December 23, 2016; 27 years of dedicated service).</i></p> <p><i>B. Appointments:</i></p> <p><i>1. Suzette Smith (Lynwood), Bus Aide, Lake Central Transportation Department (effective November 7, 2016).</i></p> <p><i>2. Stephanie Fultz (Crete), Instructional Tech Assistant, Clark Middle School (effective November 14, 2016).</i></p> <p><i>C. Transfers:</i></p> <p><i>1. Lyndsey Schaap, from 9 Month Secretary to Guidance Secretary at Clark Middle School (effective January 1, 2017).</i></p> <p><i>D. Change of Hours:</i></p> <p><i>1. Claudia Vega, Product Assistant, Bibich Elementary School (from 4 to 5.75 hours per day effective November 14, 2016).</i></p> <p><i>III. Certified Extracurricular Appointments and Transfers:</i></p> <p><i>A. Appointments:</i></p> <p><i>1. Gina Mielcarek, Co-Assistant Play Director, Clark Middle School (effective for the 2016-2017 school year).</i></p> <p><i>2. Christina Arroyo, Co-Assistant Play Director, Clark Middle School (effective for the 2016-2017 school year).</i></p>

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		<p><i>B. Transfers:</i></p> <p>1. <i>Joshua Wierzba, from Assistant Boys Golf Coach to Head Boys Golf Coach at Lake Central High School (effective for the 2016-2017 school year).</i></p> <p><i>IV. West Lake</i></p> <p><i>Classified Appointments and Change of Hours:</i></p> <p><i>A. Appointments:</i></p> <p>1. <i>James Davis, Paraprofessional, West Lake/Munster High School (effective November 18, 2016).</i></p> <p><i>B. Change of Hours:</i></p> <p>1. <i>Jodie Mikolanis, Paraprofessional, West Lake/Protsman Elementary School (from 6.75 to 7 hours per day effective November 16, 2016).</i></p> <p><i>V. Approval of Lake Central School Corporation Substitute Staff Appointments and Terminations – Refer to list of substitutes hired and terminated from October 13, 2016 to November 16, 2016.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Bacso moved to approve the Personnel Recommendations. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. <p>2. Your Choice and Rosecrance follow up</p> <p>3. Recent Drug Sweep at Secondary</p> <p>*Mr. Gandolfi added that he is putting together a spreadsheet regarding salaries for both classified and certified staff. This should be ready to present in January.</p>
	C.	<p>Director of Primary Education – <i>Theresa Schoon</i></p> <p>1. Professional Leave Requests – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandy Lessentine moved to approve the Professional Leave Requests of Liz DeVries (2), Cassandra Cruz, and Theresa Schoon. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried. <p>2. Science as an Elementary Elective This item was stricken.</p> <p>3. PLTW visit at Flint Lake Elementary</p>
	D.	<p>Director of Secondary Education – <i>Sarah Castaneda</i></p> <p>1. Professional Leave Requests – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Marshall moved to approve the Professional Leave Requests of Scott Graber, Amy Parker and Kerry Cooper. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried. <p>2. Field Trip Requests – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandy Lessentine moved to approve the field trip requests of Courtney Palasz and Cheryl Geras. John DeVries seconded the motion. Motion carried. <p>3. Lilly Comprehensive Counseling Initiative</p>
	E.	<p>Director of Facilities – <i>Bill Ledyard</i></p> <p>1. LCSC Transportation Center Projects - Update</p>
sl	F.	<p>Director of Business Services – <i>Rob James</i></p> <p>1. Public Hearing and Adoption of Additional Appropriation and Reduction Resolution – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As discussed at the previous meeting, Mr. James was notified by The Bank of New York Mellon, the bond trustee, that the lease rental payments on our Series 2012A bonds were changing from January and July due dates to June and

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December due dates. During an internal review of leases on their end, they discovered that the underlying lease on this issuance outlined June and December due dates. Our approved budget for the Exempt Debt Service Fund only budgeted for two semi-annual lease payments in 2016. However, with this transition, I need to make a 3rd 2016 payment in December. We already have the cash in the fund to make the payment, so we are not asking the taxpayer for any additional funds. The additional appropriation will just authorize us to make that expenditure here in 2016. With this change, the Series 2012A lease will now end with only 1 lease payment in 2018, rather than two.

Mr. James is also seeking the Board’s approval for an appropriation deduction for three of our tax funds. With the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF)’s goal of having budgets set by December 31st in upcoming years, this will probably be an annual resolution we need to do in November. In summary, unless we have Board action indicating otherwise, the DLGF will presume that we spent every dollar that we were authorized to spend during the current year, which often is not the case. Appropriation reductions in the current year have the effect of increasing fund balances available for the following year; therefore, possibly increasing the authorized budget the following year.

The school district is required to hold a public hearing to allow the taxpayers to be heard in respect to the aforementioned addition and reduction. Notice of this public hearing was published in the Times and the Post Tribune on Friday, November 11th.

We do not need to suspend the regular board meeting to do this. Mr. James explained the resolution and asked the audience if there are any questions or comments. There were none.

- Howard Marshall moved to approve the Additional Appropriation and Reduction Resolution. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2. **Resolution Authorizing 2017 Tax Anticipation Warrants – Action Required**

- For the past six years, the Lake Central School Corporation issued tax anticipation warrants through the Hammond Bond Bank. The Hammond Bond Bank gives us more flexibility with our finances in these economic times with a lower cost of issuance. The Hammond Bond Bank allows us to borrow our needs for the entire year; therefore, we will not have to go through this process again in June. The enclosed Hammond Bond Bank Resolution authorizes the Lake Central School Corporation to issue tax anticipation warrants to meet current expenses for the Exempt Debt Service Fund, Referendum Debt Exempt Capital Fund, Capital Projects Fund, and Transportation Fund in 2017.
- Sandy Lessentine moved to approve the Resolution Authorizing 2017 Tax Anticipation Warrants. Don Bacso seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. **Donations - Action Required**

- Kahler Middle School received the following donations:
 1. Ridgeway Petroleum in Dyer, part of the Exxon Mobile Educational Alliance, donated \$500 for the Science Olympiad team.

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	<p>2. Wintrust Financial Corp. donated \$500 to the Kahler Dance team to help with costs associated for an upcoming dance invitational to be held at Kahler.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Homan Elementary Student Council would like to donate \$200 and the Clark Middle School Student Council would like to donate \$500 to Operation S.O.S. This is an organization that sends care packages to our troops overseas. • Lake Central High School recently sold cancer awareness shirts. The school would like to donate the amount raised of \$2,594.18 to the Cancer Resource Centre in Munster. • Sandy Lessentine moved to approve all donations. Howard Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried. <p>4. Professional Leave Request – Action Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. James is requesting professional leave to attend the IASBO School Finance Issues Seminar outside Indianapolis on December 13, 2016. The seminar will give updates on the State of Indiana’s fiscal condition, ESSA, and other school fiscal matters. • Janice Malchow moved to approve. Sandy Lessentine seconded the motion. Motion carried.
VIII.	<p>Public Comments– <i>John DeVries</i> None.</p>
IX.	<p>Board Comments and Consideration of Future Agenda Items – <i>John DeVries</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandy Lessentine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Offered congratulations to Janice Malchow and Don Bacso on their reelections and to Cindy Sues to her election to the School Board. Can’t believe next board meeting will be the last one with John DeVries, it will be sad. • Janice Malchow: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Echoes Sandy Lessentine’s remarks. - Happy to see the new home page on the LCSC website and is looking forward to further development. - Hopes everyone enjoyed education week, thank you to Mr. Rainwater’s students for the banners. • Don Bacso: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Thank you to Janice Malchow and congratulations on her reelection also. - The Veterans Day programs were unbelievable, so much history shared. • Howard Marshall: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Thanked John DeVries for his service on the Board. • John DeVries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complimented the Veterans Day programs. Hopefully one day we will have a sign in front of the school that can notify our community about programs like this. The Veterans deserve our recognition. - Thank you Bill Ledyard for the directional sign, looks very good.
X.	<p>Board Calendar of Future Activities – <i>Dr. Veracco</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanksgiving Break – November 24th and November 25th • Next Board Meeting: December 12th
XI.	<p>Adjournment – <i>John DeVries</i> – Action Required Don Bacso moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Sandy Lessentine seconded the motion.</p>

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	Motion carried.
<p>Minutes of the November 21, 2016 School Board Meeting were approved and adopted by the Board of School Trustees at the December 12, 2016 School Board Meeting.</p> <p>ATTEST: _____ Dr. John DeVries, President</p> <p>_____ Sandy Lessentine, Secretary</p>	
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