

**Lake Linden-Hubbell Public Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
January 11, 2021**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Regular Meeting of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools Board of Education was held virtually, using Google Meet, on Monday, January 11, 2021. The meeting was called to order by President Patricia Burton at 5:46 p.m.

Present: Jeff Dennis, Jennifer Beaudette, Patricia Burton, Lori Ambuehl, Stacey Sedar, Rob Johnson

Absent: None

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was one addition to the agenda. Item number 12-A was a motion to extend the FFCRA leave through March 31, 2021. There being no other changes to the agenda, a motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Rob Johnson to accept the agenda. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to accept the January bills (totaling \$73,305.88), the Treasurer's Report, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 14, 2020 and the minutes of the Board of Education Finance Committee meeting held on January 7, 2021. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

There were no expressions from the public.

Mr. Brad Codere gave a Superintendent/K-12 Principal Report. The Elementary Christmas Program was pre-recorded and is available on the school website. The Seventh Grade winners of the Patriot's Pen essay contest were Samantha Blake, Pelli Fortin and Madelyn Dudenas. They were recognized by the Hubbell VFW Post 4624 who sponsors the program. The lockdown drill scheduled for January 14 will need to be rescheduled. The Middle/High School exams will be given the week of January 18. A copy of the exam schedule was provided. A decision as to whether or not to hold our annual School Forest Winter Fun Day has not been made yet.

Mr. Jack Johnson gave the Elementary Coordinator's Report. The end of the first semester is January 22. January 21 and 22 are half days of instruction with teacher inservice and records day in the afternoon. We are working with a representative from Michigan Licensing and Regulatory Affairs to renew our Latchkey childcare license. We have re-applied for the Early Literacy Grant that we received last year. The goal of this grant is to ensure students are meeting the requirements of the Michigan Third Grade Reading Law. A donation of \$388 for the local food bank was raised during the week leading up to the holiday break. Mrs. Lajimodiere put together a gift basket that was raffled off to raise the

money. A total of \$225, raised last year during the March is Reading Month penny war, was donated to 31 Backpacks. Elementary students decorated placements that were used by Little Brothers Friends of the Elderly for their holiday meal distribution.

Mr. Jack Kumpula gave an Athletic Director's Report.

Mr. Brad Fortin gave a Maintenance Report.

Mr. Chris Koskiniemi gave a Transportation Report.

Patricia Burton gave a report on the Board of Education Finance Committee meeting that was held on January 7, 2021.

In observance of School Board Member Recognition Month in Michigan, the Lake Linden-Hubbell Board of Education members were honored for their contributions and commitment to the education of children.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Rob Johnson to recognize Samantha Blake, Pelli Fortin and Madelyn Dudenas for being selected as winners of the Patriot's Pen Essay Contest. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Rob Johnson to approve the reconfirmation of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Public Schools Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Stacey Sedar to approve the revised General Fund operating budget as presented for the school year 2020-2021. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Lori Ambuehl to approve the Deficit Elimination Plan as presented for the Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by Rob Johnson to extend the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) leave through March 31, 2021. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Other:

Board members were asked to start thinking about potential graduation speakers for the 2021 Commencement.

There was one letter of interest submitted for the open board position. The information will be forwarded to Board members for review.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.