

**Lake Linden-Hubbell Public Schools  
Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
February 13, 2023**

A Regular Meeting of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools Board of Education was held in the Auditorium on Monday, February 13, 2023. The meeting was called to order by President Patricia Burton at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Jeff Dennis, Patricia Burton, Lori Ambuehl, David Anderson, Rob Johnson

Absent: Jennifer Beaudette, Courtney Holzberger

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jeff Dennis to excuse Jennifer Beaudette and Courtney Holzberger from the meeting. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

There were two additions to the agenda. Items 14-A and 14-B were motions pertaining to changes in the coaching staff for Track. There being no other revisions to the agenda, a motion was made by Rob Johnson and supported by David Anderson to accept the agenda. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by David Anderson to accept the February bills (totaling \$114,560.96), the Treasurer's Report, the minutes of the Reorganizational Meeting held on January 9, 2023, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 9, 2023 and the minutes of the Board of Education Finance Committee Meeting held on February 8, 2023. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

There were no expressions from the public.

Mr. Brad Codere gave a Superintendent/6-12 Principal Report. The Lakes Brains Quiz Bowl Team made it to the Erudite Eight round of competition. Their second match of the season will be broadcast on February 25. Seven of our High School Band students took part in the MSBOA Solo & Ensemble and earned all 1 and 2 ratings. We have four students advancing to the Regional Spelling Bee. Lilyana Crampton, Aaron Kinnunen, Lukas Axford and Ashlyn Steves will compete at the event tomorrow at Hancock Schools. Sprit Week was held last week and went very well. The activities included dress up days, penny war, hall decorating and the crowning of a king and queen. The second of our required lockdown drills was completed on January 12 at noon. This satisfies the requirement to have one drill during a non-regular classroom time. A middle/high school winter activity day is scheduled for the afternoon of February 24. Elementary students will

have a winter activity day at the School Forest during Reading Month in March. Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Tuesday, February 28.

Mr. Jack Johnson gave the Elementary Principal's Report. Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on February 28. Appointments are made using Sign-Up Genius. March is Reading Month is coming up and a host of activities are being planned. A Winter Fun Day at the School Forest is planned for March 10. There are currently thirteen students attending After School Child Care and seven who regularly attend After School Tutoring. The PTO is planning to bring back the annual Winter Carnival on March 25. The Sixth Grade class will be going to Camp Nesbit from May 17 through May 19. The School Spelling Bee was held in January followed by the District Spelling Bee. We have four students moving on to the Regional Spelling Bee. The Elementary report cards were sent home on February 1 and the Honor Roll has been announced.

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

Mr. Brad Fortin gave a Maintenance Report.

Mr. John Kurkowski gave a Transportation Report.

Mr. Robert Stenger gave a Faulty Representative Report and shared the preliminary information about the anticipated Physics Club trip to Wisconsin Dells in May.

David Anderson gave a report on the Board of Education Finance Committee meeting that was held on February 8, 2023.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Rob Johnson to recognize the Lakes Brains Quiz Bowl Team, consisting of Walter Dennis, Samuel Nieuwenhuis, Hunter Moyle, Daniel Mikus, Samantha Blake, Caiden Niemi, Trey Testini and Coach Andy Crouch for reaching the Elite Eight level of competition during the 2022-2023 season. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by Rob Johnson to recognize the High School Band students who participated in the Solo & Ensemble and earned top ratings. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by David Anderson to approve the revised General Fund operating budget as presented for the school year 2022-2023. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jeff Dennis to approve the Lake Linden-Hubbell Board of Education nomination of the Western Upper Peninsula District Health Department for the Copper Country Association of School Boards Community Leadership Award. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jeff Dennis to cast a vote on behalf of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Board of Education for Region 1 candidate Brad Baltensperger in the 2023 Michigan Association of School Boards – Board of Directors election. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Patricia Burton and supported by Jeff Dennis to accept the letter of resignation as presented by John Kurkowski from his position as Transportation Director. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by David Anderson to accept the letter of resignation as presented by Ellen Jarvis from her position as Varsity Volleyball Coach, Junior High Volleyball Coach and Junior High Track Coach. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Rob Johnson and supported by Jeff Dennis to accept the letter of resignation as presented by Emily Haynes from her position as Varsity Girls Track Coach. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by David Anderson to approve the employment of Gary Guisfredi in the position of Varsity Girls Track Coach for the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by Rob Johnson to approve the employment of Morgan Jones in the position of Junior High Volleyball Coach for the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by David Anderson to approve the Memorandum of Understanding, as presented, between the Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools and the Village of Lake Linden for the employment of a School Resource Officer. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Other:

It may be necessary to schedule a meeting of the Maintenance and Transportation Committee. Members will be contacted if a meeting needs to be scheduled.

David Anderson has a former classmate in mind who may be a potential commencement speaker. He will make contact with him to find out if he is interested.

The Superintendent Evaluation will be conducted at the March 13 Regular Board meeting.

The Sec. 98b Goal Reporting update was presented to the Board.

A list of the grants the school has been awarded this year was shared with the Board.

The Copper Country Association of School Boards will hold their Winter Program on March 1, 2023 at the Houghton-Portage Township Schools. The Spring Awards Banquet is scheduled for April 26 at the Bonfire.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jeff Dennis to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.