

**Lake Linden-Hubbell Public Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
September 11, 2023**

A Regular Meeting of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools Board of Education was held in the Auditorium on Monday, September 11, 2023. The meeting was called to order by President Patricia Burton at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Jeff Dennis, Courtney Holzberger, Jennifer Beaudette, Patricia Burton, Lori Ambuehl, David Anderson, Rob Johnson

Absent: None

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was one addition to the agenda. Item number 11-A was a motion to approve the employment of an elementary paraprofessional. There being no other revisions to the agenda, a motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Courtney Holzberger 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 September bills (totaling \$112,538.93), the Treasurer's Report, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 14, 2023 and the minutes of the Board of Education Personnel Committee Meeting held on August 14, 2023. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Board President Patricia Burton called for expressions from the public. Richard, Kim and Mason Rak addressed the Board regarding a proposed plan by the Lake Linden Downtown Development Authority to build a community center.

Mr. Brad Codere gave a Superintendent/6-12 Principal Report. Current enrollment numbers were reviewed. The 2023-2024 school year kicked off on September 5. Middle and High School students were split into groups that rotated through various areas, such as the school bus, the classroom, the gym/locker room and hallways, to go over behavior expectations. Benchmark testing will be administered to students in grades 6-8 in the next few weeks. The required emergency drills have been scheduled for the year. We have already had one fire drill. The schedule of elementary paraprofessionals was reviewed.

Mr. Jack Johnson gave an Elementary Principal's Report. All of the Preschool home visits were conducted in the two weeks leading up to the start of school. The Little Lakes Preschool Program will begin on September 12. The Kinder Camp orientation for incoming Kindergarten students was a huge success. Club's Choice will be used again this year for the Sixth Grade Camp Nesbit fundraiser. This is due to start in early October.

Family Night at the School Forest is scheduled for September 27. Brockway Photography will be here on September 27 for picture day. We are working with members of the local fire departments to conduct activities in observance of National Fire Prevention Week from October 9-12. Due to an apparent low level of need, the After School Childcare Program will not run this year.

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

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Jeff Dennis to approve the attendance of Shannen Majhor at the 2023 Michigan Association of School Social Workers Conference in Kalamazoo, Michigan from October 25-27, 2023. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Patricia Burton gave a report on the Board of Education Personnel Committee Meeting held on August 14, 2023.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by David Anderson to set the 2024 Commencement date as Friday, May 24, 2024. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by David Anderson to approve the employment of Morgan Jones as an Apprentice Teacher through the Talent Together Program for the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to approve the employment of Jessica Whitaker in the position of Assistant Preschool Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to approve the employment of Ayla Zambrano in the position of Elementary Parapro for the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuhel and supported by Courtney Holzberger to accept the letter of resignation as presented by Cody Kumpula from his position as Junior High Football Coach. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Jeff Dennis to approve the employment of Cody Kumpula in the position of Junior Varsity Football Coach for the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Lori Ambuehl to approve the employment of Arthur Lyons in the position of Junior High Football Coach for the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Other:

A Personnel Committee meeting and Policy committee meeting will need to be scheduled. Board members will be contacted to set the date and time.

The Board will participate in the Homecoming 2023 festivities by handing out refreshments following the parade on October 6.

The policies pertaining to Purchasing and Procurement-Federal Grants/Funds were discussed. It was noted that these need to be updated during the next NEOLA review.

The next Copper Country of Association School Boards meeting will be held on September 20.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Courtney Holzberger to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.