

Lake Linden-Hubbell Public Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
January 13, 2025

A Regular Meeting of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools Board of Education was held in Room 102 of the High School building on Monday, January 13, 2025. The meeting was called to order by President Patricia Burton at 5:42 p.m.

Present: Jeff Dennis, Jennifer Beaudette, Lori Ambuehl, Patricia Burton, David Anderson, Melissa Corrigan, Courtney Holzberger

Absent: None

Jennifer Beaudette left the meeting at 7: 10 p.m.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Closed Executive Session was deferred to the end of the meeting.

A motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Lori Ambuehl to accept the agenda. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Courtney Holzberger and supported by David Anderson to accept the January bills (totaling \$73,272.32), the Treasurer's Report and the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on December 9, 2024. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

There were no expressions from the public.

The Elementary RISE students and Spelling Bee winners were recognized by the Board.

Mr. Brad Codere gave a Superintendent/6-12 Principal Report. The Lake Linden-Hubbell Spelling Bee was held on January 7 for grades 5-8. The champion and runner-up for each grade are Mila Ranta-Peterson and Aria Burroughs (5th grade), Morgan Kivela and Ayden Wickstrom (6th grade), Presley Keranen and Brody Ferguson (7th grade) and Jackson Burroughs and Noah Johnson (8th grade). These students will now advance to the District Spelling Bee with Dollar Bay on January 28. The Lakes Brains Quiz Bowl Team travels to Marquette this week to compete against Jeffers. They won their first round match with Superior Central and that is scheduled to air this weekend. We have a lockdown drill on Wednesday that will take place

during the lunch hour. This will satisfy the requirement to have a drill during an unstructured time. The first semester exam schedule for next week has been announced. The second semester begins on January 27.

Mrs. Lisa Ruhman gave an Elementary Principal's Report. The attendance statistics show that the overall average of 95.1%, for the months of September through December, meet the goal of 95% or better. The RISE students for the first four months of the school year were recognized by the Board of Education with several of them in attendance at the meeting. The Spelling Bee students were also recognized. The District Spelling Bee with Dollar Bay will be held in the auditorium on January 28. National Eat Ice Cream for Breakfast Day will be celebrated on February 1 from 8:00-9:00 a.m.

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

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 David Anderson to recognize Cleo Milkey for surpassing 1,000 points in her basketball career on January 3, 2025. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Dr. Tim Hall, from the Michigan Association of School Boards, participated in the meeting via Zoom to present the final Strategic Plan.

A motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Lori Ambuehl to approve the Lake Linden-Hubbell Public Schools 2024-2029 Strategic Plan including Mission, Vision and Belief Statements. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Lori Ambuehl to call for a special election to be held on May 6, 2025 and approve the ballot language relative to the millage renewal proposition to be voted upon. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Board members were asked to start thinking about potential speakers for the 2025 commencement ceremony.

Jennifer Beaudette updated the Board on the status of upcoming CCASB events. More information will be coming later this month.

Integrated Designs, Inc. is in the process of preparing some marketing materials to use for the bond proposal. A newsletter and social media will also be used to get word out about the special election in May.

The data breach experienced by our student software company, PowerSchool, was discussed. REMC is working to determine what information may have been compromised.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Lori Ambuehl to move the Board of Education from open session of the Regular Meeting to a Closed Executive Session under Section 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act, for the purpose of discussing the Superintendent Mid-Year Progress Report, at 6:40 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board returned to open session of the Regular meeting at 7:20 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by David Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.