

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

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

Present: Jeff Dennis, Jennifer Beaudette, Patricia Burton, Lori Ambuehl, David Anderson

Absent: Courtney Holzberger, Rob Johnson

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

There was one addition to the agenda. Item number 15-A was a motion to accept a letter of resignation from the Industrial Arts Teacher. There being no other revisions to the agenda, a motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jeff Dennis to accept the agenda. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to accept the March bills (totaling \$123,624.71), the Treasurer's Report and the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 13, 2023. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

There were no expressions from the public.

Mr. Brad Codere gave a Superintendent/6-12 Principal Report. Parent Teacher Conferences were held on February 28. The last of the required lockdown drills was held on March 3. The last of the tornado drills was on March 10. Our Middle School and High School Bands performed well at Band Festival. The Middle School received an overall "1" rating and the High School a "2." The PBIS Winterfest was held on February 24. High School students chose between ice skating, tubing, bowling and curling while the Middle School students had activities and a campfire at the School Forest. Several of the sophomores who participated in History Day at Michigan Tech have advanced to the state level competition. "Adulging Day" is being planned again this year for juniors and seniors. March is Reading Month is being observed in the middle/high school with a number of activities. The Robotics team suffered a disappointment when their robot broke during

their first competition in Escanaba recently. They are working to rebuild the robot before the next round in Sault Ste. Marie later this month.

Mr. Jack Johnson gave the Elementary Principal's Report. Parent Teacher Conferences were held on February 28. Winter Fun Day was held at the School Forest on March 9. March is Reading Month kicked off with the theme "Get in the Game...READ" based on board games. A month of dress up days, special events and celebrations are planned. We will be receiving a grant from the Michigan Department of Education that will cover the entire cost of the STAR Renaissance testing we are offering to K-8 students. Registration for the 2023-24 GSRP Preschool and Kindergarten programs will be held on April 26. The Sixth Grade will attend Camp Nesbit from May 17-19. The After School Child Care program currently has 13 students enrolled and another 7-8 students attending tutoring. The PTO is hosting a Winter Carnival on March 25. The Elementary School Science Fair was held on March 8. The Western U.P. Science and STEM Fair will be held at Michigan Tech on March 16. The Elementary MTSS/PBIS Team has added student supports, including a student connectedness initiative, Recess Reminders, Friendship Friday and Rockin RISE Students of the Week.

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

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Lori Ambuehl to approve the Physics Club trip to Wisconsin Dells from May 13-16, 2023. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by David Anderson to recognize student athletes and coaches for honors earned during the 2022-2023 basketball season. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Lori Ambuehl to recognize students for advancing to the state finals in the Michigan History Day competition. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by David Anderson to borrow the sum of Three Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000.00) to pay for current operating expenses for the fiscal year 2022-2023. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Lori Ambuehl to select recipients for the 2022-2023 Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools-Copper Country Association of School Boards awards to be presented at the CCASB Spring Banquet. Outstanding Education Employee – Melissa Corrigan; School Service Award – Megan Gervais; Student Leadership Award – James Milkey. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jeff Dennis to accept the letter of resignation as presented by Jamie Koskela from his position as Assistant Varsity Football Coach. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by David Anderson to approve the employment of Dawn Steves in the position of Junior High Girls Track Coach for the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to approve the employment of Cody Kumpula in the position of 5th-6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach for the 2022-2023 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to accept the letter of retirement resignation as presented by Linda LaHaie from her position as Elementary School Teacher. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Jeff Dennis to accept the letter of resignation as presented by Jerry Svoke from his position as Industrial Arts Teacher. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to approve Mr. John Kajander as the 2023 Commencement Speaker. Mr. Kajander is a 1982 graduate of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Other:

The Regular April 2023 Board of Education meeting has been rescheduled to Monday, April 17 at 5:30 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to move the Board of Education from Open Session of the Regular Meeting to a Closed Executive Session under the Open Meetings Act, Section 8-a, for the purpose of conducting the Superintendent Evaluation at 6:25 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board returned to Open Session of the Regular Meeting at 7:55 p.m.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Lori Ambuehl to approve the Superintendent Evaluation as presented. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.