

Lake Linden-Hubbell Public Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
October 14, 2024

A Regular Meeting of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools Board of Education was held in the boardroom on Monday, October 14, 2024. The meeting was called to order by President Patricia Burton at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Jeff Dennis, Lori Ambuehl, Patricia Burton, David Anderson, Steve Patchin, Courtney Holzberger

Absent: Jennifer Beaudette

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Steve Patchin and supported by Lori Ambuehl to excuse Jennifer Beaudette from the meeting. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

There were three additions to the agenda. Items number 10-A, 10-B and 10-C were motions to approve changes to the coaching staff. There being no other revisions to the agenda, a motion was made by Courtney Holzberger and supported by Jeff Dennis 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 October bills (totaling \$163,343.87), the Treasurer's Report and the minutes of the Special Meeting on October 2, 2024. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Board President Patricia Burton called for expressions from the public. Paula DeCaire addressed the Board regarding questions pertaining to sub pay. Beth Krause addressed the Board regarding parent concerns.

Mr. Brad Codere gave a Superintendent/6-12 Principal Report. Progress Reports for the first marking period were sent home last week. Count Day was October 2. Our enrollment on that day was 329 students, 344 if you include GSRP. Teacher Inservice days were held on the afternoon of October 10 and all day October 11. Teachers learned about the updated evaluation tool and worked on realigning our curriculum to meet the state standards. We have completed our first lockdown drill and first tornado drill of the year. The Middle/High School MTSS Team has all new staff members this year. They will be getting up to speed with help from the CCISD

group. Parent-Teacher Conferences have been scheduled for November 7. Elementary conferences are by appointment and the middle/high school are on a walk-in basis.

Dr. Lisa Ruhman gave the Elementary Principal's Report. Current enrollment numbers were reviewed. There are 19 of the 21 Fifth grade students who have chosen to participate in band this year. The programs made available through the Building Healthy Communities Grant have been successful so far, including the BHC Healthy Kids Club, Wellness Wednesday and the use of new recess and PE equipment. Frankie Larson is the new clinic nurse in the Upper Great Lakes Family Health Center. Michigan Tech is hosting monthly Copper Country Math Circles events. We are supporting the program by providing transportation for interested students. Members of the local fire departments visited the elementary school last week to put on the annual fire prevention program. The Smiles on Wheels bus will visit the elementary school tomorrow to perform oral health assessments on Kindergarten students. This screening is now required by the state and may also be done by the student's family dentist. Students in grades 3-5 will visit the Palosaari Corn Maze in Chassell on October 16. Students in grades 1-2 will attend a performance of "Leonardo! A wonderful show about a not very scary monster" at the MTU Rosza Center on October 18. Family Night at the School Forest will be held on October 16 and is led by students from the MTU Forestry Department. Behavioral Health Assessment and Student Assistance Team meetings are set to begin in October. The Fourth grade is partnering with the Nature Awaits program through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. This program provides a free experiential field trip to a state park designed to support their classroom learning. The PTO is preparing for several events and fundraisers coming up this fall. There are still a few open spots in the GSRP program. Anyone interested should contact Betzee Holbrook. Teachers took part in a day and a half of professional development that covered the Danielson teacher evaluation tool, Number Corner, Behavioral Support and Interventions and identifying key areas in the curriculum to direct teaching and learning to improve student outcomes, better align curriculum and add supports.

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

Michigan Association of School Boards representative, Dr. Tim Hall, presented via Zoom to provide an update on the status of the Strategic Planning.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Courtney Holzberger to approve the attendance of Elizabeth Holbrook at the NAEYC Annual Conference in Anaheim, California from November 6-9, 2024. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Courtney Holzberger to recognize National School Lunch Week, October 14-18, 2024 and highlight the outstanding service the Lake Linden-Hubbell School Food Service Program provides the students of the District. Roll vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by David Anderson to approve the nomination of Jennifer Beaudette to the Copper Country ISD Parent Advisory Committee. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by David Anderson to approve the proposal for snow removal services as submitted by Ziemnick Excavating, Inc. at a cost of \$13,900.00 for 2024-2025. 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 Arthur Lyons from his position as Middle School Boys Basketball Coach. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Jeff Dennis to approve the employment of Arthur Lyons in the position of Junior Varsity Boys Basketball Coach for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Courtney Holzberger to approve the employment of Curtis Kinnunen in the position of Middle School Boys Basketball Coach for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Other:

A Policy Committee meeting will need to be scheduled in the near future. Committee members will be contacted once we hear from the NEOLA representative.

The District/Superintendent Goals for 2024-2025 were reviewed. The next quarterly progress report will be due in December.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Courtney Holzberger to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.