## Lake Linden-Hubbell Public Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting March 10, 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, March 10, 2025. The meeting was called to order by President Patricia Burton at 5:30 p.m.

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

Melissa Corrigan, Courtney Holzberger

Absent: None

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were two additions to the agenda. Item number 7-A and 7-B were motions to recognize student athletes for honors earned during the basketball season. 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 David Anderson and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to accept the March bills (totaling \$67,027.91), the Treasurer's Report, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 10, 2025 and the minutes of the Board of Education Finance Committee Meeting held on March 6, 2025. 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 27. The last lockdown drill required for this year took place on March 4. The Middle School Band held a fundraiser dance on February 28 in the elementary gym. Winter Fun Day is scheduled for March 11 with students going to the School Forest, Mont Ripley, Miller's Recreation for bowling or to the Magic Kiln. March is Reading Month is being celebrated in both buildings. The Robotics team participated in their first competition over the weekend in Escanaba. They travel to Lake Superior State University in a couple of weeks.

The Elementary RISE students for February were recognized by the Board.

Dr. Lisa Ruhman gave an Elementary Principal's Report. Attendance data was reviewed and shows that the overall rate is down for last month. This was due to a variety of reasons including

an increase in illnesses. Parent-Teacher Conferences on February 27 were very well attended. The MTSS data and mid-year goals were reviewed. Training for the parapros will be held over the summer. Area-wide training sessions are being coordinated with the Copper Country ISD. Dr. Ruhman and Paula DeCaire traveled to East Lansing to receive the check for the Wildflowers of Michigan grant. While there, they attended the Michigan Native Plant Conference where they learned more about native plant gardens and the eradication of invasive species in preparation for the garden project that will happen this summer. The PTO will be holding a carnival on March 15. Family Literacy Night, sponsored by Title I, is scheduled for April 3. Our 2025-2026 Kindergarten and Pre-K registration is taking place on March 19. Kindergarten Graduation is scheduled for June 4 at 1 pm with a reception to follow.

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

Jeff Dennis gave a report on the Board of Education Finance Committee Meeting held on March 6, 2025.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by David Anderson to recognize student athletes for honors earned during the 2024-2025 Girls and Boys Basketball season. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by David Anderson to recognize Emily Jokela for scoring over 2,000 points in her basketball career and becoming the first Lake Linden-Hubbell athlete to have achieved this milestone. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by David Anderson to select recipients for the 2024-2025 Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools - Copper Country Association of School Boards awards to be presented at the CCASB Spring Banquet. Outstanding Education Employee - Sean Manderfield; School Service Award - Paula DeCaire; Student Leadership Award - Danny Mikus. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to approve the revised General Fund budget as presented for the school year 2024-2025. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by David Anderson to borrow the sum of Three Hundred and Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000) to pay for current operating expenses for the fiscal year 2024-2025. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to approve Greg Drew as the 2025 Commencement Speaker. Mr. Drew is a 1997 graduate of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

The Copper Country Association of School Boards Spring Awards Banquet will be held on Wednesday, April 2, 2025 at the Michigan Tech Memorial Union. Board members David Anderson, Patricia Burton and Melissa Corrigan will attend and present awards.

A school newsletter with information about the upcoming election is being prepared to be mailed out to residents of the District. This will be followed by an informational brochure that was created by Integrated Design a few weeks later.

A motion was made by David Anderson and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to allow part-time Support Staff to use available personal or sick days to cover time lost for weather related closures for the 2024-2025 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Courtney Holzberger to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.