

August 10, 2026

1) Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lafayette School Corporation was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Julie Peretin. Those present were invited to stand and join the Board in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

2) Roll Call

On call of the roll board members present were Dr. Margaret Hass, Steve Bultinck, Julie Peretin, Brent Clemenz and Oscar Trujillo. Present Virtually were Dr. Robert Stwalley and Ebony Barrett. Also present was Counsel Bob Laszynski.

3) Public Participation on Agenda Items

No one from the public addressed the Board.

4) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the July 13, 2026 Regular Meeting, the July 13, 2026 Executive Session, the July 27, 2026 Executive Session, the July 27, 2026 Special Board Meeting, the July 27, 2026 Work Session and the August 4, 2026 Executive Session were presented for approval.

Mr. Trujillo made the motion, seconded by Dr. Hass, to approve the minutes as presented. There were no additions or corrections to these minutes.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barrett, Hass, Bultinck, Peretin, Trujillo

Nays: None.

Abstain: Stwalley, Clemenz

The motion carried.

5) Recommendations

A.) Adult Lunch Price Increase

It was the administration's recommendation to increase the adult lunch price to \$5.25 for the 2026–2027 school year.

Mr. Bultinck made the motion, seconded by Mr. Clemenz, to approve the Adult Lunch Price Increase for the 2026-2027 school year as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barrett, Hass, Bultinck, Peretin, Clemenz, Trujillo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: Stwalley

The motion carried

B) Teacher of Record & Diagnosticians Proposal

As part of the dissolution of Greater Lafayette Area Special Services, the Lafayette School Corporation evaluated the staffing models for positions previously employed through GLASS. During this process, it became evident that the historical practice of employing hourly Diagnosticians and hourly Non-Public Teachers of Record as part-time hourly employees without

paid leave benefits is no longer the preferred approach. Currently, our hourly Diagnosticians and hourly Teachers of Record work between 20 and 40 hours per week during the school year.

These positions require highly qualified professionals who possess, at a minimum, a bachelor's degree and a valid Indiana teaching license. In today's competitive employment market, providing a comprehensive leave package is an important component of recruiting and retaining qualified educators.

Adding paid leave benefits will better position the Corporation to attract and retain licensed professionals while creating greater consistency in employee benefits across similarly qualified positions.

These benefits will apply to employees hired into these positions and will be administered in accordance with Lafayette School Corporation policies and administrative procedures.

It was the administration's recommendation that the Board of School Trustees approve the addition of the following annual paid leave benefits for the employees serving as hourly Diagnosticians and hourly Teachers of Record, effective at the beginning of the 2026-2027 school year:

10 Sick Leave Days
2 Personal Leave Days
3 Family Illness Leave Days

Mr. Bultinck made the motion, seconded by Dr. Hass to approve the Teacher of Record and Diagnosticians proposal as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barrett, Hass, Bultinck, Peretin, Clemenz, Trujillo

Nays: None.

Abstain: Stwalley

The motion carried

C) Resolution Authorizing Disposition of Activity Bus to the GLCA

It was the administration's recommendation to approve the Resolution Authorizing Disposition of School Buses to the Greater Lafayette Career Academy, as presented, for the purchase price of \$3,500.

Mr. Clemenz made the motion, seconded by Mr. Bultinck to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Disposition of School Buses as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barrett, Hass, Bultinck, Peretin, Clemenz, Trujillo

Nays: None.

Abstain: Stwalley

The motion carried

6) Employee Recommendations

The Administration recommended approval of the following employee requests:

Resignation

Isabelle Brice, Psych Intern, Special Education Services, effective June 5, 2026

Sara Fulks, Teacher, TJHS, effective August 1, 2026

Lisa Mackey, Title I IA, Glen Acres, effective July 8, 2026

Retirement

Andrea Blocher, 8th Grade Challenge & 7th Grade Excel Science, TJHS, effective June 1, 2027

Lisa Roetker, Math Teacher, TJHS, effective June 1, 2027

Termination

Nathan Demoret, Computer Technician, Technology, effective July 30, 2026

Cristian Pantoja, Bus Aide, Transportation, effective July 8, 2026

Employment

Bea Abrajana, Substitute Nurse, All Building (new)

Natalia Best, Bus Driver, Transportation (new)

Douglas Browning, Bus Driver, Transportation (new)

Mauritina Byrd, Recess/Lunch Supervision (replacement)

Samuel Calhoon, Orchestra, TJHS (replacement)

Bailey Davis, Paraprofessional, Vinton (replacement)

Roxana Diaz-Clemente, Recess Aide, Earhart (replacement)

Jessica Ellis, Bus Driver, Transportation (new)

Blaine Koger, Computer Technician, Facilities/Technology (replacement)

Kathrine Myers, Lunch Supervision, Glen Acres (replacement)

Richard Myers, Lunch Supervision, Glen Acres (replacement)

Cristian Pantonja, Bus Attendant, Transportation, (revised start date)

Kiera Posteluk, Little Bronchos Lead Teacher, Linnwood (replacement)

Lori Shaw, Recess/Cafeteria Supervisor, OES (replacement)

Samantha Smith, Paraprofessional, Glen Acres (replacement)

Breeanna Timmons, Paraprofessional, Vinton (replacement)

Joyce Vanfossen, Bus Aide, Transportation (new)

Conflict of Interest

Megan Hatke/Principal/Mother-in-Law to Madison Hatke/Teacher, Glen Acres Elementary

Maribel Masoodi/Teacher, sibling of Adriana Salazar/Receptionist, Edgelea Elementary

Additional Employment After the Original Agenda was Prepared

Barbara Lange, 8th Language Arts, TJHS (replacement)

Additional Resignation After the Original Agenda was Prepared

Debra Glick, Diagnostician, GLASS, effective July 30, 2026

Mr. Bultinck made the motion to approve the employee recommendation as presented, seconded by Mr. Clemenz.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barrett, Hass, Bultinck, Peretin, Clemenz, Trujillo
Nays: None
Abstain: Stwalley
The motion carried.

7.) Supplemental Employee Recommendation to Employ #1

It was the administration's recommendation to approve Supplemental Employee Recommendation of employee #101134 as presented.

Mr. Clemenz made the motion to approve the employee recommendation as presented, seconded by Mr. Trujillo.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barrett, Hass, Bultinck, Peretin, Clemenz, Trujillo
Nays: None
Abstain: Stwalley
The motion carried.

8.) Supplemental Employee Recommendation to Employ #2

It was the administration's recommendation to approve Supplemental Employee Recommendation of employee #102052 as presented.

Mr. Trujillo made the motion to approve the employee recommendation as presented, seconded by Mr. Bultinck.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barrett, Hass, Bultinck, Peretin, Clemenz, Trujillo
Nays: None
Abstain: Stwalley
The motion carried.

9.) Supplemental Employee Recommendation to Employ #3

It was the administration's recommendation to approve Supplemental Employee Recommendation of employee #102051 as presented.

Mr. Clemenz made the motion to approve the employee recommendation as presented, seconded by Mr. Bultinck.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barrett, Hass, Bultinck, Peretin, Clemenz, Trujillo
Nays: None
Abstain: Stwalley
The motion carried.

10) Acceptance of Gifts

The following donations were received during the month of JULY 2026:
Jefferson HS Extra-Curricular programs received monetary donations totaling: \$4,500.00
A summary of clubs receiving the funds and complete list of donors.

Summary of Jeff HS donations

Girls Volleyball-	\$3,000.00	Crest Management
It's My Closet-	\$1,000.00	Lafayette Breakfast Optimist Club
	\$500.00	Sharon Devine

Dr. Hass made the motion, seconded by Mr. Clemenz, to approve acceptance of gifts presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barrett, Hass, Bultinck, Peretin, Clemenz, Trujillo

Nays: None.

Abstain: Stwalley

The motion carried.

8) Treasurer

A) The Financial Reports will be filed for audit.

B) The Administration recommended approval of the vendor claims and ratification of payrolls.

Dr. Stwalley and Mr. Cloum received and reviewed all dockets prior to the Regular Board Meeting.

Mr. Bultinck made the motion, seconded by Mr. Clemenz, to approve vendor claims and ratify payrolls.

Roll Call: Ayes: Barrett, Hass, Bultinck, Peretin, Clemenz, Trujillo.

Nays: None.

Abstain: Stwalley

The motion carried.

9) Information Only

Mr. Huddle informed the Board that all schools are officially back in session!

Mr. Hawkins will bring transportation information to the next work session for the Board to review.

Mr. Huddle informed the Board that the IREAD scores were released tonight, with ILEARN scores to follow later in September. He also informed the Board that LSC has been approved to provide free breakfast and lunch to all students for the next four years, through 2030.

10) Board Reports

Ms. Peretin expressed her appreciation to the public and teachers for their valuable input and participation in the survey conducted as part of the Superintendent search process. She reported that the administration is pleased with the progress of the search and the quality of the candidates interviewed to date.

11) Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items

No one from the public addressed the board.

12) Adjournment

There being no further business to present, Board President Peretin called for a motion to adjourn. On motion duly made by Mr. Bultinck, seconded by Mr. Clemenz and carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Julie Peretin, President

Ebony Barrett, Secretary