

LAKE RIDGE SCHOOLS

Date: September 13, 2021

Invocation given by: _____

Call this meeting to order.

Mission Statement

Pledge of Allegiance

This is a Regular Virtual Meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Ridge Schools, Lake County, Indiana, September 13, 2021 6:00 PM, in the Lake Ridge Schools
6111 West Ridge Road
Gary, IN 46408

I. Let the record show that all the Board Members and the Superintendent are present.
Let the record show the Administrators that are present.

II. Consider the attached Accounts Payable Vouchers and the September 3, 2021 payroll for payment.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried

III. Consider the minutes of the August 23, 2021 school board meeting.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.

IV. Superintendent and/or School Board Member Report

Goal Area 1 - Academics: All learners will continuously demonstrate academic growth.

Goal Area 2 - Safety: We will provide a safe and secure learning environment for all.

Goal Area 3 - Equity: We will provide a positive, inclusive, and equitable environment for all.

Goal Area 4 - Communication: We will improve communication and strengthen relationships both internally and externally.

Goal Area 5 - Finances: We will advocate to increase the financial resources of the Corporation to provide an outstanding school environment and opportunities for our students, staff, and community.

Dr. Shirley will announce the Indiana School Board Association 2020 award winners.

V. Leave/Resignation/Employment

All new employment to Lake Ridge New Tech Schools is contingent upon a cleared Expanded Criminal History Background Check within 30 days and a cleared Expanded Child Protection Index Check within 60 days of effective date. IC 20-26-2-1.5 and IC 20-26-2-1.3

V.A. Recommend rescinding employment for Mia Patikas Science teacher at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School.

V.B. Recommend accepting Jenifer Matthiscyk's resignation from the Building Aide position at Head Start effective August 20, 2021.

V.C. Recommend accepting Lagina Ragland's resignation from the Student Supervisor position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 17, 2021.

V.D. Recommend accepting Brent Midkiff's resignation from the CTE Business Facilitator position at Calumet New Tech High School effective August 27, 2021.

V.E. Recommend accepting Lisa Driscoll's resignation from the 5th grade teaching position at Lake Ridge New Tech Schools effective August 6, 2021.

V.F. Recommend accepting Carlene Bethley's resignation from the Title I Paraprofessional position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective September 6, 2021.

V.G. Recommend accepting Celia Ramirez' resignation from the Home School Community Liaison position at Calumet New Tech High School effective September 10, 2021.

V.H. Recommend accepting Ronda Sweeney's retirement request from the Superintendent's Secretary position at Lake Ridge New Tech Schools effective March 31, 2022.

V.I. Recommend Brandi Chatman be employed as a part-time Medical Assistant for Lake Ridge New Tech Schools effective August 30, 2021.

V.J. Recommend the following be employed for the Hi-Def program at Calumet New Tech High School:

Martha Murphy – Site Coordinator

Arceli Mendoza – Culture Club

Yvonne Acevedo – Culture Club

Rose Escobedoe – Culture Club

Hilary Cassoday – Tutor and Photography Club

V.K. Recommend Kyla Graig be employed as the Principal's Secretary at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective September 20, 2021.

V.L. Recommend Kelsey Calhoun be employed as a Kindergarten teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective September 27, 2021.

V.M. Recommend Benjamin Turpin be employed as a 4th grade teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective September 13, 2021.

V.N. Recommend Patricia Deering be employed as a Title I Instructional Assistant at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 24, 2021.

V.O. Recommend Rosalyn Wilson be employed as a student supervisor at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 30, 2021.

V.P. Recommend the following be employed for the ECA (Extra Curricular Accounts) bus duty positions at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School:

Jackie Fielder
Sharnice Williams
Jodi Garcia
Andrea DeFrier

V.Q. Recommend Matthew Simmons be employed as the Math Facilitator at Calumet New Tech High School effective September 13, 2021.

V.R. Recommend Melissa Klahn be employed as the English Facilitator at Calumet New Tech High School effective September 13, 2021.

V.S. Recommend Abigael Allen be employed as an Academic Interventionist at Calumet New Tech High School effective September 20, 2021.

V.T. Recommend Alice Gallegos be employed as a Title I EL (English Learner) Paraprofessional at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective September 14, 2021.

V.U. Recommend Lana O'Neill be employed as an English/Language Arts Teacher at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective September 14, 2021.

V.V. Recommend approval of the Leaves/Resignations/Employment items.

_____ moved _____ seconded. Motion carried.

VI. Professional Development

VI.A. Recommend Adrian Wilkerson attend the Indiana Association of School Business Officials Human Resource Seminar on September 20-21, 2021 in Plainfield, Indiana with expenses paid from the Operations Fund.

VI.B. Recommend Regin Johnson, Kerri Wilkes, and Abigael Allen attend the SIOP (Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol) Train the Trainer Workshop on September 21-23, 2021 in West Lafayette, Indiana with expenses paid from the NESP Grant.

VI.C. Recommend approving the Professional Development items.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.

VII. New Business

VII.A. Recommend granting permission to advertise the 2022 budget.

VII.B. Recommend approving the attached list of non-resident transfer students at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School for the 2021-2022 school year.

VII.C. Recommend approving a Purchase Order over \$10,000 for NWEA testing paid from the Formative Assessment Grant.

VII.D. Recommend approving a Purchase Order over \$10,000 for Hatching Results paid from the Title I Fund.

VII.E. Recommend approving a Purchase Order over \$10,000 for Canon cameras paid from the Title IV Grant.

VII.F. Recommend approving the Student Transport Assistant job description.

VII.G. Recommend approving and paying stipends to the attached list of staff for work that is above and beyond the scope of their normal work day paid from Title I.

VII.H. Recommend paying Karen Lee the Math Instructional Coach stipend paid from Title I.

VII.I. Recommend approving the 2021-2022 Staff Performance Evaluation Plan.

VII.J. Recommend approval of the new business items.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.

VIII. Adjournment

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.