

**LAKE RIDGE SCHOOLS**

Date: April 11, 2022

Invocation given by: \_\_\_\_\_

Call this meeting to order.

Mission Statement

Pledge of Allegiance

This is a Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Ridge Schools, Lake County, Indiana, April 11, 2022 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 April 1, 2022 payroll for payment.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion carried

III. Consider the Treasurer Report as of January 31, 2022.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion carried.

IV. Consider the First Midwest Athletic Complex Donations Fund Treasurer Report as of January 31, 2022.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion carried.

V. Consider the First Midwest Self Insurance Fund Treasurer Report as of January 31, 2022.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion carried.

VI. Consider the minutes of the March 14, 2022 school board meeting.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion carried.

**VII. 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.**

**VIII. Professional Development**

VIII.A. We recommend Pam Balint, Linnet Carpenter, Andrea DeFrier, Jacqueline Fielder, Jodi Garcia, and Michelle Wilson attend the IDOE (Indiana Department of Education) Shifting Balance: Elementary Literacy Workshop on March 6, 2022, in Valparaiso, IN with expenses paid from the Tittle IIA Fund.

VIII.B. We recommend that Adrian Wilkerson attend the IASBO (Indiana Association of School Business Officials) Leadership Academy on April 19-20,2022 in Plainfield, IN with expenses paid from the operations Fund.

VIII.C. We are recommending that Adrian Wilkerson and Christina Akers attend the IASBO (Indiana Association of School Business Officials) Annual meeting on May 3-6, 2022 in French Lick, IN with expenses paid from the Operations Fund.

VIII.D. We recommend that Dr. Sharon Johnson-Shirley, Cynthia Trevino, Kim Osteen, Glenn Johnson, Jon Evans, and Dan Diehl attend the ISBA (Indiana School Boards Association) Region I Spring Regional Meeting on April 20, 2022 in Schererville, IN with expenses paid from the Tittle II A Fund.

VIII.E. We recommend that Dr. Sharon Johnson-Shirley attend the IAPSS (Indiana Association of Public School Superintendents) Professional Development Seminar on April 20, 2022 in Indianapolis, IN with expenses paid from the Tittle II A Fund.

VIII.F. Recommend approving the Professional Development items.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion carried.

**IX. 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

IX.A. We recommend terminating Verdell Gray as the Title I Paraprofessional at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective March 14, 2022.

IX.B. We recommend accepting Maria Garcia’s resignation from the Student Supervisor position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective April 4, 2022.

IX.C. We recommend accepting Ashley Wilkins' resignation from the Student Supervisor position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective April 1, 2022.

IX.D. We recommend accepting Kevin Bradley's resignation from the Varsity Assistant Baseball Coaching position at Calumet New Tech High School effective immediately.

IX.E. We are recommending accepting Justin Hauser's resignation as the Bowling Sponsor at Calumet New Tech High School effective March 10, 2022.

IX.F. We recommend accepting Joe Olah's retirement request from the Art Teacher position at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective June 3, 2022.

IX.G. We recommend Crystal Bustillos be employed as a kindergarten teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 15, 2022.

IX.H. We are recommending Barbara Meeks be employed as a 4th Grade teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective April 1, 2022.

IX.I. We recommend Susanne O'Drobinak be employed as the Head Start Education/Disability Coordinator effective April 19, 2022.

IX.J. We recommend Kimberly Bloomquist be employed as a Head Start Teacher Assistant effective April 19, 2022.

IX.K. We recommend Teresa Green Clark be employed as a Head Start Lead Teacher effective April 19, 2022.

IX.L. We recommend Laurie Cain be employed as the Girls' Varsity Tennis Coach at Calumet New Tech High School for the 2021-2022 season.

IX.M. We recommend Daneylle Thomas be employed as the Junior Varsity Softball Coach at Calumet New Tech High School for the 2021-2022 season.

IX.N. We recommend Kevin Bradley be employed as the Varsity Assistant Softball Coach at Calumet New Tech High School for the 2021-2022 season.

IX.O. We recommend Oralia Castro be employed as Grant Manager for Lake Ridge New Tech Schools effective May 2, 2022.

IX.P. Recommend approval of the Leaves/Resignations/Employment items.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion carried.

**X. New Business**

X.A. We recommend approving the 2021-2022 Administrative Assistants and Administration raises.

X.B. We recommend approving the Elementary Supervisor, EL Aide, EL Coordinator, and Classroom Aide pay increase.

X.C. We recommend approving the annual renewal for food service provider Chartwells for the 2022-2023 school year.

X.D. We recommend approving the following fundraisers at Calumet New Tech High School: April 4, 2022-April 10, 2022-LaBraid Butter Sales for the National Honor Society Account.

X.E. Recommend approval of the new business items.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion carried.

**XI. Adjournment**

\_\_\_\_\_ moved. \_\_\_\_\_ seconded. Motion carried.