

LAKE RIDGE SCHOOLS

Date: August 14, 2023

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, August 14, 2023 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 August 4, 2023 payroll for payment.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried

III. Consider the minutes of the _____ 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.

V. Professional Development

V.A. We recommend Holly Plowman virtually attend the Wabash Valle Education Center Teacher Evaluation Training on August 24, 2023, with expenses paid out of the Title IIA fund.

V.B. We recommend Pam Balint virtually attend the Wabash Valley Education Center Reading Specialist Networking Meeting on September 5, October 5, November 7,

December 14, 2023, and January 9, February 8, March 7, April 9, and May 14, 2024, with expenses paid out of the Title IIA fund.

V.C. We recommend Ann Marie Keene and Rae Lopez attend the PowerSchool Edge 2023 Workshop on July 9-13, 2023 in Orlando, Florida with expenses paid out of the Title IIA fund.

V.D. Recommend approving the Professional Development items.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.

VI. 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

VI.A. We recommend accepting Andrea DeFrier's resignation from the Academic Interventionist position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective June 5, 2023.

VI.B. We recommend accepting Shawanda Sullivan's resignation from the Third Grade Teacher position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective June 5, 2023.

VI.C. We recommend accepting Sabrina Jackson's resignation from the Third Grade Teacher position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective June 5, 2023.

VI.D. We recommend accepting Nicole McIntosh's resignation from the Second Grade Teacher position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective June 5, 2023.

VI.E. We recommend accepting Mariela Luna Martinez's resignation from the school counselor position at Lake Ride New Tech Middle School effective June 12, 2023.

VI.F. We recommend accepting Jacomien Van Vuuren's resignation from the Instructional Assistant position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective June 5, 2023.

VI.G. We recommend accepting Kristi MkcMahan's resignation from the Music Teacher position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective June 5, 2023.

VI.H. We recommend accepting Julie Riviera's resignation from the School Counselor position at Calumet New Tech High School effective August 8, 2023.

VI.I. We recommend accepting Dolores Estrada's resignation from the Dean position at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective August 1, 2023.

VI.J. We recommend accepting Michelle Gutierrez's resignation from the Student Supervisor position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective June 5, 2023.

VI.K. We recommend accepting Precious Harrington's resignation from the Student Supervisor position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.L. We recommend Alexis Whiteside be employed as a Student Supervisor at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.M. We recommend Suzette Zientara be employed as an Academic Interventionist at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.N. We recommend Kaitlyn Turner be employed as a Student Supervisor at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.O. We recommend Maryiah Martinez be employed as a School Counselor at Calumet New Tech High School effective August 7, 2023.

VI.P. We recommend Tabitha Kalley be employed as a School Counselor at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.Q. We recommend Elyssa Klimczak be employed as an Academic Interventionist at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.R.

We recommend Kyle Kwasney be employed as an ELA Teacher at Calumet New Tech High School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.S. We recommend Justin Ward be employed as a Student Supervisor at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.T. We recommend Brian Demantes be employed as a Fourth Grade Teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.U. We recommend Mariah Anderson be employed as a First Grade Teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.V. We recommend Jamila Gray be employed as a Second Grade Teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.W. We recommend Kyle Stephens be employed as the Math Instructional Coach at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.X. We recommend Natasha Johnson be employed as a Computer Science Teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.Y. We recommend Terrence Jackson be employed as a Tech Aide at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School.

VI.Z. We recommend Linda Paz-Stevens be employed as a Third Grade Teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.AA. We recommend Amanda Greichunos be employed as the Second Grade Teacher at Longfellow New Tech High School at Longfellow New Tech High School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.AB. We recommend Sabrina Budzevski be employed as the Art Teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.AC. We recommend Ajelica Mendoza be employed as the English Learners Teacher of Record at Longfellow New Tech Elementary New Tech Elementary School effective August 14, 2023.

VI.AD. Recommend approval of the Leaves/Resignations/Employment items.

_____ moved _____ seconded. Motion carried.

VII. New Business

VII.A. We recommend approving the attached Communications and Engagement Manager job description.

VII.B. We recommend Eric Johnson be employed as the Communications and Engagement Manager for the 2023- 2024 school year.

VII.C. We recommend approving the attached list of returning coaches for the 2023-2024 school year.

VII.D. We recommend approving the Comparative Analytics subscription with Frontline.

VII.E. We recommend approving the Food Service account analysis as of July 31, 2023.

VII.F. We recommend approving the attached dress code policy for the 2023-2024 school year.

VII.G. We recommend granting permission to advertise the request for proposals for Calumet and Longfellow Secured Entry Project.

VII.H. We recommend approving and paying the stipends on the attached list for additional work in professional development over the summer period.

VII.I. We recommend approving the attached list of Non-Resident Transfer Students for the 2023-2024 school year.

VII.J. We recommend approving a Purchase Order of over \$10,000 to purchase air purifiers for Longfellow New Tech Elementary School.

VII.K. We recommend approving the 2023-2025 Student Support Behavior Handbook.

VII.L. We recommend approving the following fundraisers at Calumet New Tech High School:

- August 25, 2023 –50/50 raffle for the Volleyball account.

- August 28, 2023- Paintball Ticket raffle for the Volleyball account.
- August 31, 2023 Bake Sale sales for the Volleyball account.

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

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.

VIII. Adjournment

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.