

**LAKE RIDGE SCHOOLS**

Date: October 9, 2023

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

Call this meeting to order.

Mission Statement

Pledge of Allegiance

This is a Regular Meeting with Executive Session of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Ridge Schools, Lake County, Indiana, October 9, 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 September 15, and 29, 2023 payrolls for payment.

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

III. Consider the minutes of the September 11, 2023 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 Ann Marie Keene, Betty Svetich, David Kidd, Aaron Smith, Vicki Jordan Raspberry, and Robin Henderson attend the HECC Conference (Hoosier Educational Computer Coordinators) on November 8-9, 2023, in Indianapolis, Indiana with expenses paid from the Education Fund.

V.B. We recommend Michael Morrison attend the HECC Conference (Hoosier Educational Computer Coordinators) on November 8-9, 2023, in Indianapolis, Indiana with expenses paid from the Operations Fund.

V.C. We recommend Rae Lopez attend the HECC Conference (Hoosier Educational Computer Coordinators) on November 8-9, 2023, in Indianapolis, Indiana with expenses paid from the Title IIA Fund.

V.D. We recommend Adrian Wilkerson attend the Policy Analytics School Finance Seminar on October 6, 2023, in Indianapolis, IN with expenses paid from the Operations Fund.

V.E. We recommend Regin Johnson, Linda Hobock, Victoria Pliego, Mellissa Klahn, Aaron Carter, Maria Ramos, and Marsha Daniel, attend the Wabash Valley Education Center's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Multilingual Learners State Conference on November 1-2, 2023, in Indianapolis, IN with expenses paid from the Multilingual account.

V.F. We recommend Pam Balint attend the Wabash Valley Education Center's 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Multilingual Learners State Conference on November 1-2, 2023, in Indianapolis, IN with expenses paid from the Title I account.

V.G. 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 Michael Gomez's resignation from the CTE Computer Teacher position at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective September 8, 2023.

VI.B. We recommend accepting Carlene Bethley's resignation from the Instructional Aide position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective September 25, 2023.

VI.C. We recommend accepting Lisa Hedger's resignation from the Behavior Interventionist position at Calumet New Tech High School effective September 11,

2023.

VI.D. We recommend accepting Ana Parrish's resignation from the Registrar position at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective October 13, 2023.

VI.E. We recommend the termination of Margret Ford from her Home School Liaison position at Longfellow New Tech Middle School effective September 22, 2023.

VI.F. We are recommending Mark Davis be employed as an Instructional Aide at Longfellow New Tech Elementary effective September 28, 2023.

VI.G. We recommend Curtis Rojue be employed as the Lake Ridge Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach for the 2023-2024 athletic season.

VI.H. We recommend Devonte Singleton be employed as the Lake Ridge Middle School 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach for the 2023-2024 athletic season.

VI.I. We recommend Hank Curry be employed as the Lake Ridge Middle School 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball Coach for the 2023-2024 athletic season.

VI.J. We recommend Jonesha Moffett be employed as the Business Office Administrative Assistant at the Lake Ridge New Tech Schools Central office effective October 10, 2023.

VI.K. We recommend Jamie Braden be employed as a Nurse Aide at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective October 10, 2023.

VI.L. We recommend Jennah Reyes be employed as the Home School Liaison at Longfellow New Tech Middle School effective October 10, 2023.

VI.M. We recommend Christine Aviles be employed as an Academic Interventionist at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective October 10, 2023.

VI.N. We recommend Reina Ramirez be employed as a 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective October 10, 2023.

VI.O. We recommend Candace Howard be employed as a Nurse's Aide at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School effective October 10, 2023.

VI.P. We recommend Sarah Imhof be employed as an Instructional Aide at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective October 10, 2023.

VI.Q. We recommend Jillian Johnson be employed as an Instructional Aide at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective October 10, 2023.

VI.R. We recommend Lindsey Keene be employed as the Dean of Students at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School effective October 10, 2023.

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

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

## VII. New Business

VII.A. We recommend approving and paying the attached ECA Stipends for Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School for the 2023-2024 school year.

VII.B. We recommend approving and paying the attached ECA Stipends for Longfellow New Tech Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year.

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

VII.D. We recommend approving the following fundraisers at Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School:

- October 2, 2023, to October 17, 2023 - Spirit wear sales for the Athletic account.

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

- October 3, 2023 - Bake Sale for the Volleyball account.
- October 10, 2023 to October 14, 2023- Double Good Popcorn sales for the Cheerleading account.

- October 11, 2023 to October 23 - Marilyn’s Bakery & Café pie sales for the Yearbook and Study Abroad account.
- October 13, 20, 27, 2023, November 3, 10, 17, 2023, December 1, 8, 15, 2023 - Coffee Sales for the library account.
- October 24, 2024- Safe Treat or Treat for the Student Senate account.
- October 25, 2023- 50/50 Raffle ticket sales for the Student Senate account.

VII.F. We recommend approving the following donations at Calumet New Tech High School:

- September 25, 2023- from various donors to Student General in cash in the amount of \$55.30.

VII.G. We recommend approving the FY2024-2025 Head Start Baseline Program Application- 100 slots.

VII.H. We are recommending approving the FY2024-2025 Total Budget Request of \$791,121.

VII.I. We recommend approving the FY2024-2025 Non-Federal Share Request of \$197,780.

VII.J. We recommend approving the FY2024-2025 Training/ Technical Assistance Plan for \$5,415.

VII.K. We recommend approving the contract with Core Construction to serve as Construction Manager in the Secured Entry Project.

VII.L. We are recommending the approval of a Letter of Engagement with \_\_\_\_\_ for architectural & design services regarding the Calumet Fieldhouse and Renovation Project.

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

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

**VIII. Adjournment**

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