LAKE RIDGE SCHOOLS

Date:November 9, 2026
Invocation given by: _____
Call this meeting to order.
Mission Statement
Pledge of Allegiance
This is aRegular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Ridge Schools, Lake County, Indiana, November 9, 20266:00 PM, in the
Lake Ridge Schools
6111 West Ridge Road
Gary, IN 46408
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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 October 16 and October 30, 2026 payrolls for payment.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried

III. Consider the Treasurer Report as of September 30, 2026.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.

IV. Consider the Old National Athletic Complex Donations Fund Treasurer Report as of September 30, 2026.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.

V. Consider the Old National Self Insurance Fund Treasurer Report as of September 30, 2026.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.

VI. Consider the minutes of the October 12, 2026 school board meeting.

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.

VII. Public Comment
Public comments must remain respectful and are limited to three minutes per speaker. Personnel matters and individual student issues will not be discussed during the public meeting.

Please approach the microphone and state your name and address for the record. If your questions or concerns are not addressed during the meeting, you may schedule an appointment with the Superintendent. Please see Ms. Acevedo for assistance with scheduling.

VIII. **Additions and Deletions**

IX. **Superintendent Report**

X. **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

X.A. We recommend accepting Jacki Thorn's resignation from the Fourth-Grade ELA Teacher position at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School, effective October 23, 2026.

X.B. We recommend that the Board accept Kiara Anderson's resignation from her position as an aide at Lake Ridge Middle School, effective November 6, 2026.

X.C. We recommend that the Board accept Timber Clemons's resignation from her position as an aide at Longfellow New Tech Elementary School, effective October 26, 2026.

X.D. We recommend approving Jamie Kaiser as a Kindergarten Teacher at Hosford Park Elementary and Early Learning Center, effective October 26, 2026.

X.E. We recommend approving Jessica Gibbs as the Temporary ECA Treasurer at Calumet New Tech High School, effective November 9, 2026.

X.F. Recommend approval of the Leaves/Resignations/Employment items.

_____ moved _____ seconded. Motion carried.

XI. **New Business**

XI.A. We recommend that the Board approve the November 9, 2026 Personnel Report.

XI.B. We recommend approving and paying the attached stipend, plus corresponding fringe benefits, to Sam Miestowski for participation in professional development provided by Indiana University Northwest.

XI.C. We recommend that the Board approve the 2026–2027 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Lake Ridge New Tech Schools and the Lake Ridge Schools American Federation of Teachers, Local 662.

XI.D. We recommend that the Board approve the attached coaching recommendations for Calumet High School and Lake Ridge New Tech Middle School for the 2026–2027 athletic season.

XI.E. We recommend that the Board approve the extracurricular activity (ECA) assignments listed in the attachment and authorize payment of the specified compensation for each assignment at its respective school building.

XI.F. We recommend approving the Resolution of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Ridge School Corporation.

XI.G. We recommend approving the first reading of the attached NEOLA Policy Updates, including the revisions, replacement policies, rescinded policies, new policies, and Administrative Guidelines as presented.

XI.H.

We recommend approving the General Obligation Bond Resolution for the 2026 issuance, including the 1028 Project Resolution, the Bond Resolution, and the Additional Appropriations Resolutions.

XI.I. We recommend approving the Superintendent Evaluation Form.

XI.J. We recommend approving the technical corrections included in the NEOLA Volume 39, Number 1, October 2026 Update.

XI.K. We recommend approving a purchase order exceeding $10,000 for the purchase of Chromebook Plus laptops for teachers.

XI.L. Recommend approval of the new business items.

_____ moved. _____seconded. Motion carried.

XII. **Administrative/ Board member Comments**

XIII. **Adjournment**

_____ moved. _____ seconded. Motion carried.