

Lake Station Community Schools
Board of School Trustees Meeting
Wednesday February 19, 2025



Minutes for the Public Meeting with the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Station Community Schools held at Edison Jr. Sr. High School 3304 Parkside Ave., Lake Station, Indiana in the community room at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday evening, February 19, 2025.

This meeting is a meeting of the School Board in public for conducting the School Corporation's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There will be time for public participation as indicated by agenda item for Public Comments. The meeting will be available to watch livestreamed online.

Members Present: Mr. Tenorio, Mr. Music, Mr. Billups, Mr. Poweska

Members Absent: Mr. Wright

Others Present: Dr. Cripliver, Ms. Pepa, Mrs. Whisenant, Ms. Tauber

Mr. Tenorio led the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments (3 Minute Limit) [Sign-In]

Comment on agenda items

Other comments for the Board.

Mr. Music moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Billups and unanimously carried.

AI I. Consent Agenda

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| 1. Approval of Minutes | Minutes |
| a. Executive Session – January 14, 2025 | |
| b. Regular Board Meeting – January 14, 2025 | |
| 2. Financial - Fiscal | Claims: |
| a. Approval of claims | 1/15/25-2/19/25 |
| January 15, 2025 – February 19, 2025 | |
| b. Approval of Payroll | Payrolls: |
| i. January 17, 2025 | 1/17/25 |
| ii. January 31, 2025 | 1/31/25 |
| iii. February 14, 2025 | 2/14/25 |
| 3. Extra-Curricular (Resignations) | Extra-Curricular
Resignations |
| 4. Extra-Curricular (Hirings) | Extra-Curricular
Hirings |
| 5. Donations: | Donations: |
| 1. Art Hill Ford \$300.00 to the Varsity Football program. | Art Hill |
| 2. Emily Gregoratos \$50.00 for the High School Cheerleaders. | E. Gregoratos |
| 3. Kylie Eldridge \$20.00 to the HS Cheer Program. | Kylie Eldridge |



II. Personnel

Mr. Billups moved to approve item 1 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Poweska and unanimously carried.

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| AI | 1. | Accept the notice of retirement from the following staff members effective at the end of the school year.
Randall Robb – Day Custodian at Hamilton Elementary.
Pam Robb - Library Clerk at Bailey Elementary School | Retirements:
R. Robb
P. Robb |
| Mr. Music moved to approve item 2 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Billups and unanimously carried. | | | |
| AI | 2. | Approve to pay the school board's NISEC Board of Manager designee or alternate \$62.00 per meeting, | NISEC –
Pay for Meeting |
| Mr. Poweska moved to approve item 3 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Music and unanimously carried. | | | |
| AI | 3. | Approve the cancelation of Mrs. Lauren Dado's agreement as Interim Principal at Edison Jr. Sr. High School effective Monday, February 3, 2025. | Agreement
Cancellation:
L Dado |
| Mr. Music moved to approve item 4 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Billups and unanimously carried. | | | |
| AI | 4. | Accept the resignation from Samantha Winters, 5 th grade teacher at Hamilton Elementary School, effective Friday, February 21, 2025. | Resignation:
S. Winters |
| Mr. Poweska moved to approve item 5 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Music and unanimously carried. | | | |
| AI | 5. | Accept the retirement letter from Teresa Alcorn, paraprofessional at Bailey, effective immediately. | Retirement:
T. Alcorn |

III. New Business

Mr. Music moved to approve item 1 under New Business. Seconded by Mr. Billups and unanimously carried.

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| AI | 1. | Approve the recommended updates to Board Policy Volume 37, Number 1. | Board Policy
Volume 27 #1 |
| Mr. Music moved to approve item 2 under New Business. Seconded by Mr. Poweska and unanimously carried. | | | |
| AI | 2. | Approve the field trip requests from:
Mrs. Loretta Edmaiston, French teacher, to Chicago French Market on April 17,
2025 and to Alliance Francaise Chicago on May 1, 2025. | Field Trips:

French Market

Alliance Francaise |



Mr. Music moved to approve item 3 under New Business. Seconded by Mr. Billups and unanimously carried.

AI 3. Approve the 2025-2026 school year calendar.

**Calendar
2025-2026**

IV. Other Business

IO 1. The next regular school board meeting is Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at Edison Jr. Sr. High School at 7:00 pm.

View this meeting online via livestream at Lake Station Community Schools' Facebook page and/or Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/93942205649> | Meeting ID: 939 4220 5649.

The meeting site is accessible; any person requiring further accommodation(s) should contact Ms. Ellen Moss, at the Administration Center at least 48 hours in advance at 219-962-1159, ext. 103.

ATTEST:

President, David Wright

Vice President, Greg Tenorio

Secretary, Kevin Music

Member, Jordan Billups

Member, Mike Poweska



Schedule 1

School Extracurricular Resignations

Position	Name	Status	Through
Track Coach – Boys JH	Marc Chavez	Teacher	6/30/2025
Cross Country Coach	Joanna Thompson	Teacher	11/30/2025
Basketball Coach – Girls 6 th	Alonzo Jones	Lay	3/31/2025

Schedule 2

School Extracurricular Hirings

Position	Name	Status	Through
Track Coach – Boys JH	Kelly Schmelzer	Teacher	6/30/2025
Basketball Coach – Girls 6 th	Rudy Chabes	Teacher	3/31/2025