

**NORTH LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024
NORTH LAKE SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM**

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Sue Schultz called the meeting of the North Lake School District Board of Education to order at 5:34 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sue Schultz, Debra Schaber, Marty Iverson, and John Marchek.

SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT: Superintendent, Liesl Ackley; Manager of Business Services, Jennifer Sellhausen; and Director of Teaching and Learning, Nancy Meister.

2. Confirmation of Posting, Open Meeting Clarification, Final Agenda Approval

Public notification was reviewed, and clarification of the open meeting's ruling was given.

John Marchek moved and Deb Schaber seconded to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Special Recognition: Sue Schultz' 30th Year of Service to North Lake School

- School Board President, Sue Schultz, was recognized for her 30 years of service to North Lake School District with a plaque from the Wisconsin Association of School Boards.

4. Public Comments

- None

5. Approval of the December 20, 2023 Regular and Closed Session Minutes

Marty Iverson moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the December 20, 2023 Regular and Closed Session Minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

6. Approval of the December 2023 Checklist and Treasurer's Report

Debra Schaber moved and Marty Iverson seconded to approve the December 2023 Checklist and Treasurer's Report. Motion carried 4-0.

7. Communications and Reports

a. Technology Report

- The IT Security update will be presented at the February meeting due to "technical difficulties."

b. Teaching and Learning Update

- North Lake School has received a letter stating that we have been selected to participate in the U.S. Department of Education's Early Childhood Longitudinal Study. This research involves following the 2023-24 Kindergarten class through 1st, 3rd, and 5th grade.
- Act 60 was passed in December. This requires instruction in Personal Financial Literacy. Teachers have become familiar with it and will be teaching the required content at their prospective grade level. The good news is that we teach much of this required content already in our math, social studies, and Junior Achievement classes.
- Friday, January 19th will be an inservice day for teachers. Teachers will continue to work on the Professional Practice Goal (PPG) to develop course guides and align curriculum.
- Jill Lesch and Carey Wagner are currently working on transitioning our 8th grade students by assisting them with scheduling courses for their anticipated move to high school.

c. Facilities Update

- Dr. Ackley stated that Mr. Ashenfelter ordered two new doors from Gappa to replace Doors R and M. These no maintenance lifetime doors were budgeted for and cost just short of \$17,000.
- Karl called Creative Earthscapes to clean up the parking lot and knock down the large snowbanks that hindered the line of sight of oncoming traffic at the school exit.
- Karl rebrazed the kitchen heating unit and the heat back on.
- Dr. Ackley stated that Karl is investigating ways to keep the roof drains open and not freezing. Jennifer Flannery's room was flooded due to a frozen roof drain.

8. New Business

a. Discussion and Action on Open Enrollment Space Availability for 2024-2025

- Dr. Ackley reviewed with the Board how many open enrollment seats we have available at each grade level

and in special education. There is no wait list for any grade level; however, there are no special education openings.

Marty Iverson moved and Deb Schaber seconded to approve the recommended numbers for available open enrollment seats for 2024-2025 as follows: Kindergarten-24, First Grade-13, Second Grade-22, Third Grade-13, Fourth Grade-17, Fifth Grade-18, Sixth Grade-16, Seventh Grade-30, and Eighth Grade-25. Motion carried 4-0.

Marty Iverson moved and Debra Schaber seconded to approve closing the special education department for open enrollment students due to no available seats. Motion carried 4-0.

b. Discussion and Action on 2024-2025 North Lake School Calendar

- Dr. Ackley and the School Board discussed the 2024-2025 school year calendar. The proposed calendar is based on the fact that we try to align with Arrowhead High School's calendar for consistency and savings in transportation costs. Arrowhead's calendar has drastically changed causing a slight reduction in the number of student contact days in the North Lake School's calendar. The Board also disagreed with a full week of vacation at Thanksgiving but accepted to be in partnership with Arrowhead High School.

Deb Schaber reluctantly moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the 2024-2025 North Lake School Calendar. Motion carried 4-0.

c. Action on Adoption of Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$850,000 per Year for Four Years for Non-Recurring Purposes

- Debra Schaber read the following resolution: *BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the North Lake School District, Waukesha County, Wisconsin that the revenues included in the School District budget be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$850,000 per year for four years, beginning with the 2024-2025 school year and ending with the 2027-2028 school year, for non-recurring purposes to sustain operational costs.*

Debra Schaber moved and Marty Iverson seconded to approve the adoption of Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$850,000 per Year for Four Years for Non-Recurring Purposes. Motion carried 4-0.

d. Action on Adoption of Resolution Providing for a Referendum Election on the Question of the Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$850,000 per Year for Four Years for Non-Recurring Purposes

- The above resolution was read by Sue Schultz.
- Sue Schultz stated: "While North Lake School is an enormous point of pride for our community, we must take action to address our district's financial needs and ensure our students continue to have access to an exceptional educational experience. The proposed operational referendum is a thoughtful solution that balances the needs of our school with those of our taxpayers. We look forward to continuing this important conversation leading up to election day."

John Marchek moved and Marty Iverson seconded to approve the adoption of Resolution for a Referendum Election on the Question of the Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit by \$850,000 per Year for Four Years for Non-Recurring Purposes as presented. Motion carried 4-0.


e. Action on Hiring Assistant Night Custodian

John Marchek moved and Deb Schaber seconded to approve the hiring of Lila Hofstetter as Assistant Night Custodian. Motion carried 4-0.

9. Adjourn

Marty Iverson moved and Debra Schaber seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by:



School Board Clerk Signature / Date