NORTH LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2025
NORTH LAKE SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Deb Schaber called the meeting of the North Lake School District Board of Education to order at 5:33 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.
MEMBERS PRESENT: Debra Schaber, Marty Iverson, Bob Gatchel, and John Marchek.
SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT: Superintendent, Liesl Ackley; Manager of Business Services, Jennifer Sellhausen; Director of Teaching and Learning, Nancy Meister; and Director of Buildings & Grounds, Karl Ashenfelter.

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

Public notification was reviewed, and clarification of the open meeting's ruling was given.
Marty Iverson moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried 4-0.

3. Organizational Business

a. Election of School Board Officers

John Marchek moved and Bob Gatchel seconded Marty Iverson as Board President, Debra Schaber as Board Vice-President, John Marchek as Board Clerk, Bob Gatchel as Board Treasurer, and Sue Schultz as Board Member and that all Board committees will remain the same by roll call vote. Marty Iverson aye, Debra Schaber aye, Bob Gatchel aye, and John Marchek aye. Motion carried 4-0.

b. Establishment of Regular Board Meeting Day/Time

Regular school board meetings will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.
Marty Iverson moved and Bob Marchek seconded to maintain meetings be held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

4. Public Comments

- None

5. Approval of the April 23, 2025 Regular and Closed Session Minutes and April 30, 2025 Negotiations Minutes

Marty Iverson moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the April 23, 2025 Regular and Closed Session Minutes and April 30, 2025 Negotiations Minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

6. Approval of the April 2025 Checklist and Treasurer's Report

John Marchek moved and Bob Gatchel seconded to approve the April 2025 Checklist and Treasurer's Report. Motion carried 4-0.

7. Communications and Reports

a. Teaching & Learning Update:

- Nancy Meister stated that teaching and learning is in full force with class trips, field day, graduation and family picnic. Leadership students are preparing for final spirit days, and 8th students are meeting on final graduation details with Dr. Ackley. The 7th grade will once again run the school field day. The 5th and 6th grade will be doing a "hanging out" to read in hammocks, 4th grade will be presenting their wax museums, and 3rd grade went on a field trip to Discovery World. The K-3 grade teachers are working diligently to meet final requirements for Act 20. The HMH Into Reading curriculum materials is being considered as is the 7th grade Envisions math curriculum for the 2025-2026 school year. The curriculum adoption will be an agenda item in June.

b. Facilities Report

- Karl Ashenfelter stated that Nels Anderson installed a new well pump on Monday, May 19th. The original pump was installed in 2004 and due to the fact that this was an emergency, there was no time to get a quote. Nels Anderson did a water quality test on Tuesday morning to make sure the water was safe to drink so school could resume.
- Karl stated that we are looking to hire some new part-time help for summer and the upcoming school year.
- Dr. Ackley mentioned that the window is leaking in room 209 and that Karl is aware of the problem.
- Dr. Ackley noted school safety protocols with facility use groups such as the Red Cross Blood Drive. The office will work with the Red Cross to hold their drive during non-student contact hours.

- Dr. Ackley stated that on Friday, June 6th, a day prior to graduating the Arrowhead Union High School class of 2025, Arrowhead administration plans to walk all seniors through the halls of the seven feeder elementary schools. The Board feels strongly against having this event and has directed Dr. Ackley to respond as such to Arrowhead Union High School.

c. Report on Arrowhead District School Board Assembly's K-12 Consolidation Exploration

- John Marchek gave an overview of the K-12 Consolidation Meeting at Arrowhead High School held on May 8th. The Board stated they have no interest in consolidating as they feel it is not in the best interest of the students or taxpayers. They would need solid facts from a third-party consultant as to how this would benefit all parties. Given the fact that North Lake School has maintained its facilities and currently has no long-term debt, the Board stated that they would like to see Arrowhead spend a portion of their 39% fund balance to finance their facility needs instead of trying to force a consolidation on the feeder schools. The Board stated that they would attend any upcoming meetings of newly formed assembly and ask the hard questions.

8. New Business

a. Establish Date & Time of Annual Meeting

Marty Iverson moved and John Marchek seconded to approve Wednesday, September 17, 2025, as the date for the 2025 annual meeting. The budget hearing will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by the annual meeting, followed by the regular September school board meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

b. Discussion and Action on Professional Staff and Support Staff Handbook Changes

Bob Gatchel moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the Professional Staff and Support Staff Handbook Changes. Motion carried 4-0.

c. Discussion and Action on Hiring Part-Time Interventionist

Marty Iverson moved and Bob Gatchel seconded to approve the hiring of Danielle Herzog as a Part-Time Interventionist. Motion carried 4-0.

d. Action on Independent Contractor Agreement Between North Lake School District and GALS Institute for the 2025-2026 school year

Bob Gatchel moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the Independent Contractor Agreement Between North Lake School District and GALS Institute for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 4-0.

e. Discussion and Action on Parking Lot Sealcoating and Striping Company

Karl Ashenfelter received four quotes for the parking lot sealcoating and striping. All four quotes were similar in price. John Marchek stated that the Town of Merton uses PLM Paving and Concrete for various projects and that the District has used them in the past. This project will include the sealcoating of Park Drive.

Marty Iverson moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the Parking Lot Sealcoating and Striping Company quote by PLM Paving and Concrete. Motion carried 4-0.

9. Public Comments

- None

10. Adjourn to Closed Session (per ss. 19.85(1)(c)(e))

a. Discussion on Personnel

Marty Iverson moved and Bob Gatchel seconded to adjourn at 6:42 p.m. by roll call vote. Debra Schaber aye, Marty Iverson aye, Bob Gatchel aye, and John Marchek aye. Motion carried 4-0.

11. Reconvene to Open Session

Deb Schaber reconvened the school board in open session at 7:36 p.m.

12. Action on Any or All Matters from Closed Session

a. Action on Personnel

- No action was taken.

13. Adjourn

Marty Iverson moved and Bob Gatchel seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

NORTH LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD CLOSED SESSION MEETING
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The closed session meeting was called to order by Deb Schaber at 6:43 p.m.

The Board discussed personnel.

Bob Gatchel moved and John Marchek seconded to adjourn the closed session meeting at 7:35 p.m. by roll call vote. Debra Schaber aye, Marty Iverson aye, Bob Gatchel aye, and John Marchek aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by,

6-18-25

School Board Clerk Signature/Date