NORTH LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2026
CONFERENCE ROOM 116

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Marty Iverson called the meeting of the North Lake School District Board of Education to order at 5:49 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marty Iverson, Debra Schaber, Bob Gatchel, John Marchek, and Rich Hawkins
SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT: Superintendent, Liesl Ackley; Manager of Business Services, Jennifer Sellhausen; Director of Building & 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.
John Marchek moved and Deb Schaber seconded to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Guest Speaker: Lindsey Wood, Arrowhead School Board Member

- Lindsey Wood gave an overview of all the Arrowhead Union High School Board meetings that occurred from June through September. She gave an updated on the start of the year transportation. She stated that the Arrowhead School Board has taken no formal action on open enrollment, and she does not support closing open enrollment. The Arrowhead Building & Grounds department is looking at the expansion of Campus Drive. This process would probably take years. Arrowhead has installed secured vestibules in both north and south campus. The maintenance shed project has been delayed and will probably be fixed in spring. A curriculum review cycle has been formally implemented. Finally, coaching positions have been very hard to fill this year.

4. Public Comments:

- None

5. Approval of the August 26, 2026 Regular Session Minutes

Rich Hawkins moved and Bob Gatchel seconded to approve the August 26, 2026 Regular Session Minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Approval of the August 2026 Checklists and Treasurer's Reports

Deb Schaber moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the August 2026 Checklists and Treasurer's Reports. Motion carried 5-0.

7. Communications and Reports

a. Facilities Update

- Karl stated that some roof repairs have been made to fix leaks that have occurred. There has been an issue with one of the roof top HVAC units that will need to be addressed. Due to the water damage that occurred in August, ceiling tiles in Mrs. Lofy's classroom have been replaced and two desks have been delivered and will need to be put together and placed in classrooms. Johnson Controls has completed the installation of the fire monitoring system of the fire alarms. The school board requested Karl to contact Gary Kohler of GJ Kohler Trees to take down the tree branch that has fallen in the front yard and inspect the tree to see if it needs to be completely removed.

b. District Initiatives Update

- Dr. Ackley stated that she is prompting parents to take responsibility for reading the communications that the office and teachers send to them. She noted communication is a two-way street. Dr. Ackley reminded the staff to complete the Top Workplace Survey through energage.com.

8. New Business

a. Action on Public Depositories

- Bob Gatchel read the State Statute 120.12(7) Depository.

Bob Gatchel moved and John Marchek seconded to authorize Bank Five Nine and the Local Government Investment Pool as the official public depositories for all school funds for 2026-2027. Motion carried 5-0.

b. Discussion and Action on School Safety Drill

- Dr. Ackley reviewed the lockdown drill held on Tuesday, September 8th with the Board. Dr. Ackley, Detective Rob Kassens, Karl Ashenfelter, and Julie Westcott were involved in the performing the lockdown drill. Dr. Ackley stated the drill was nearly perfect.

Deb Schaber moved and Rich Hawkins seconded to approve School Safety Drill report. Motion carried 5-0.

c. Action on Hiring of Girls Basketball Coach

John Marchek moved and Bob Gatchel seconded to approve hiring of Ryan DeStefano as the 5th grade girls basketball coach. Motion carried 5-0.

9. Adjourn

Bob Gatchel moved and Deb Schaber seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 a.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by,

10/20/26

School Board Clerk Signature & Date