

**NORTH LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL MEETING
CONFERENCE ROOM 116**

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Sue Schultz called the meeting of the North Lake School District Board of Education to order at 5:54 p.m.
The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sue Schultz, Debra Schaber, Bob Gatchel, Marty Iverson, and John Marchek.
SCHOOL PERSONNEL PRESENT: Superintendent, Liesl Ackley; Manager of Business Services, Jennifer Sellhausen; Director of Teaching & Learning, Nancy Meister; Director of Building & Grounds, Karl Ashenfelter.
VISITORS: Zach Berghouse

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

Public notification was reviewed, and clarification of the open meeting's ruling was given.
Deb Schaber moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Public Comments:

- Zach Berghouse stated how grateful he is for North Lake School and how excited his girls were to start school. He stated he appreciates the work of the administrative team. Dr. Ackley and Ms. Sellhausen are quick to address his financial questions. He commented on the strategy of the Board looking into the future and the sustainability of the financials due to 42% of our student population coming from open enrollment. He wondered about the difference in per pupil amounts (residents vs open enrolled. He made note of the estimated \$1.5 million Fund 10 Fund Balance at the end of the 2024-2025 school year. He remarked that taxpayers' trust may be increased if the Board levied less so as not to have such a large fund balance. This possibility could help the North Lake constituents who are on a fixed income. On the other hand, he also recognized the fact that large expenditures such as the installation of a new septic system, the replacement of HVAC units, and roof repairs could greatly impact the fund balance in the near future and it is prudent to save for the unknown.

4. Approval of the August 21, 2024 Regular and Closed Session Minutes

Marty Iverson moved and Bob Gatchel seconded to approve the August 21, 2024 Regular and Closed Session Minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

5. Approval of the August 2024 Checklists and Treasurer's Reports

Deb Schaber moved and Bob Gatchel seconded to approve the August 2024 Checklists and Treasurer's Reports. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Communications and Reports

a. Teaching & Learning Report

- Nancy Meister stated that Dave Richman is teaching a course for the K-4 students called MiniMakers. The course is co-taught with grade level teachers and will build the skills necessary to advance the youngsters student to the Lakers Manufacturing Experience starting in 5th grade.
- Rehiring Gina Haase as Reading Interventionist this year has been a positive impact on our early readers. Mrs. Haase has also completed extensive training in the science of reading for the changing state requirements surrounding the compliance of Act 20.
- Ms. Meister explained the complexity involved in student, staff, and facility scheduling all thanks to Mrs. Osowski. The schedules complexity takes into consideration staffing, special education needs that change throughout the year, advanced placement course schedules at AHS for 8th graders, extensive elective offerings for middle school, and efficient use of building and movement of students. The benefits of this schedule include: maximization of learning time, supports efficiencies of teachers and content, creates smooth flow of student movement, reduces staffing needs, and maximizes use of building space.

b. Facilities Update

- Karl Ashenfelter stated that wood chips have been installed on both playgrounds. He is working on getting a quote for the broken window in the 7th and 8th grade stem lab. He is having a new pressure tank replaced in the pump room. The lawn tractor is leaking oil, so that will be a maintenance expense after mowing season is over. Dr. Ackley stated the we are getting a recommendation for replacement of the

main office window for safety and security reasons. She also commented that some of the school safety signs have been installed while other signs have yet to be delivered. Dr. Ackley also made comments on the 5th and 6th grade safety drill held on Wednesday, September 18th.

c. District Initiatives Update

- Dr. Ackley touched on the two main priorities for the school year: zero tolerance for bullying and attendance.
- Dr. Ackley stated that 2011 Wisconsin Act 125 requirements state that schools must report annually on the use of seclusion and physical restraint by October 1st, the principal or designee must submit to the school board a report. The report includes:
 - On the number of incidents of seclusion and physical restraint in the previous year
 - The total number of students involved in the incidents
 - The total number of students with disabilities involved in the incidents

For the 2023-2024 school year:

- Number of incidents of seclusion and physical restraint – 0
- Number of students involved in the incidents – 0
- Total number of students with disabilities involved in the incidents - 0

7. New Business

a. Action on Public Depositories

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 2024-2025. Motion carried 5-0.

b. Action on School Safety Drill

Dr. Ackley stated that she was so proud of our students and staff for it was nearly a perfect lockdown drill. The drill was performed in conjunction with Deputy Dan Adrian of the school safety team.
Marty Iverson moved and Deb Schaber seconded to approve the school safety drill conducted on September 12, 2024. Motion carried 5-0.

c. Action on Athletics & Activities Handbook for the 2024-2025 school year

Dr. Ackley reviewed the changes to the Athletics & Activities Handbook with the Board.
Bob Gatchel moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the Athletics & Activities Handbook for the 2024-2025 school year.

d. Action on Hiring of Girls Basketball Coaches

John Marchek moved and Marty Iverson seconded to approve the hiring of Brad Lenling and Chad Dibb as the girls' basketball coaches for the 2024 season. Motion carried 5-0.

e. Action on Alternative Open Enrollment Applications

Bob Gatchel moved and John Marchek seconded to approve the Alternative Open Enrollment Applications as submitted. Motion carried 5-0.

8. Public Comments

Zach Berghouse commented on how pleased he was that Lakers Manufacturing was reinstituted in 7th and 8th grade and was expanded to the lower school.

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

a. Discussion on Personnel

Marty Iverson moved and John Marchek seconded to adjourn to closed session at 6:37 p.m. by roll call vote. Sue Schultz aye, Debra Schaber aye, Bob Gatchel aye, Marty Iverson aye, and John Marchek aye. Motion carried 5-0.

10. Reconvene to Open Session

Sue Schultz reconvened the school board to open session at 6:56 p.m.

11. Action on Any or All Matters from Closed Session

a. Action on Personnel

No action was taken.

12. Adjourn

Marty Iverson moved and John Marchek seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

**NORTH LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION CLOSED SESSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2024
NORTH LAKE SCHOOL CONFERENCE ROOM**

The closed session meeting was called to order by Sue Schultz at 6:38 p.m.

The board discussed personnel.

Deb Schaber moved and Bob Gatchel seconded to adjourn the closed session meeting at 6:55 p.m. by roll call vote. Sue Schultz aye, Debra Schaber aye, Bob Gatchel aye, Marty Iverson aye, and John Marchek aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by,

 10-23-24

School Board Clerk Signature & Date