Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Station Community Schools held at Edison Jr. Sr. High School, 3304 Parkside Avenue, Lake Station, IN at the hour of 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Jim Vanderlin, Larry Biggs, Mike Stills, Greg Tenorio, Karen Curtis

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Tom Cripliver, Sandy Cain, Mr. Rhett Tauber

President, Mr. Jim Vanderlin led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **Public Comments:**

➤ Eluides Pagan 6149 Wisconsin Street, Hobart, IN 46342

- Report on the blood drives through the Red Cross This year 135 pints of blood were donated. This means 405 lives could have been saved. Red Cross donated \$750 towards scholarship for seniors. Mr. Pagan thanked the students and community members for participating in the blood drive.
- ➤ Jason Westerman 3400 East 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Lake Station, IN 46405
  - Mr. Westerman stressed concern over his son's medical issues and elementary schools not having a registered nurse. He also commented on bus issues that have not been resolved.
- ➤ Michelle Ripperdan 2567 Miami Street, Lake Station, IN 46405
  - Mrs. Ripperdan is requesting meeting with board members. She is requesting an
    explanation on her son's medical records being accessed after she withdrew him
    from Lake Station Schools.
- Chuck Fazekas 2865 Decatur Street, Lake Station, IN 46405
  - Mr. Fazekas shared information concerning shortage of bus drivers, bus routes, etc.
    He and our bus drivers are always working to ensure students are safe and at their
    stop as soon as possible. Mr. Fazekas also shared information on ramp closings
    which cause traffic congestion and delays for bus drivers.

## Presentation:

I Lake County Public Library's Childhood Literacy Initiatives - - Ingrid Norris and Julie Bradford.

Mrs. Norris introduced the "A Thousand Books" program which was launched in March of 2016. So far, 300 children have signed up but they still need 14,000 more to sign up. She is asking we reach out to community leaders to get the word out about this program and the importance of daily reading for children.

I Bailey School Presentation
Mrs. Gonzales' and Mrs. Wahlman's 1<sup>st</sup> grade students wrote, illustrated, and published books. Several students read their stories to the audience.

# AI I Consent Agenda

# Mr. Biggs moved to approve the consent Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Tenorio and unanimously carried.

1. Approval of Minutes

Minutes

Executive Session – March 16, 2016 Regular Board Meeting – March 16, 2016 Special Board Meeting – April 5, 2016

2. Approval of Claims

Claims

**Employment** 

Russ Jorgenson

3. Extra-Curricular Employment
Russ Jorgenson – Assistant Varsity Softball coach at \$3,128.

4. Overnight Trips and Workshops

1. Request approval for Theresa Kietzman and Mellody Forsythe to attend Stanz Food Service Food Show Wednesday, April 20, 2016 in South Bend. Food Service Department to pay all expenses.

T. Kietzman M. Forsythe

- 2. Request approval for Theresa Kietzman and Mellody Forsythe to attend Gordon Food Service product show at Warsaw High School on June 2, 2016. Food Service Department to pay expenses.
- 3. Request approval for Ed Zamarron to attend school safety training in Indianapolis on May 16, 2016.

**Ed Zamarron** 

#### 5. Donations

 Accept donation of \$500.00 from the Walmart Foundation's Volunteerism Always Pays program to the boys basketball program. **Donations** 

- 2. Accept the following DonorsChoose.org donations
  - a. Mrs. Torres "Time, Money, and More" program \$404.77 and "Bingo! Zingo! Winner!" \$211.46
  - b. Mrs. Sanchez "Little Learners Love to Listen" program \$393.23

# II Personnel

Ms. Curtis moved to approve item 1 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Stills and unanimously carried.

AI 1. Approve transfer of Mike Schmitt from Polk School to Day Operations Personnel at Edison Jr. Sr. High School effective April 4, 2016.

Mike Schmitt

Mr. Stills moved to approve item 2 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Biggs and unanimously carried.

AI 2. Approve the transfer of Joe Owens from Maintenance to Day Operations Joe Owens Personnel at Polk School effective April 4, 2016.

Mr. Biggs moved to approve item 3 under Personnel. Seconded by

# Mr. Stills and unanimously carried.

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AI 3. Accept James Wasmundt's resignation as Director of Music at Edison Jr. Sr. High School effective June 6, 2016.

Resignation J. Wasmundt

Ms. Curtis moved to approve item 4 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Stills and unanimously carried.

4. Accept Diana Villarreal's resignation as secretary to the superintendent effective June 17, 2016.

Resignation D. Villarreal

Mr. Tenorio moved to approve item 5 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Stills and unanimously carried.

AI 5. Employ Ellen Moss as secretary/accounts payable-receivable/substitute coordinator effective April 11, 2016 at a daily rate of \$109.50.

Employment Ellen Moss

Mr. Biggs moved to approve item 6 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Stills and unanimously carried.

AI 6. Employ Nick Mihalich as a school bus driver effective March 29, 2016 at a rate of \$14.00 per hour.

**Employment Nick Mihalich** 

Mr. Stills moved to approve item 7 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Biggs and unanimously carried.

AI 7. Approve to hire Eluides Pagan and Dan Ayers as summer school teachers for the credit recovery classes at Edison High School June 6, 2016 to June 24, 2016 and pay them according to the terms of the collective bargaining agreement.

Summer School Teachers E. Pagan & D. Ayers

Ms. Curtis moved to approve item 8 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Tenorio and unanimously carried.

AI 8. Approve to hire Sue Johnson as summer school IREAD-3 teacher at Edison High School June 6, 2016 to June 24, 2016 and pay her according to the terms of the collective bargaining agreement.

IREAD-3 Sue Johnson

Mr. Biggs moved to approve item 9 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Stills and unanimously carried.

9. Approve to hire the following teachers and paraprofessionals for the High Ability Summer School Program. Teachers and paraprofessionals will work June 2, 2016 and June 6-9, 2016 for 4 hours. They will work June 10, 2016 an 8 hour day. Teachers will be paid according to the terms of the collective bargaining agreement. Paras will receive \$20.00 per hour.

Teachers	Paraprofessionals
Tanya Havrilla	Linda Scartozzi

Jessie Kammer	Brittney Marciniak
	Samantha Staresinich
Lisa Miller	Amanda Tuel

#### III New Business

Mr. Stills moved to approve item 1 under New Business. Seconded by Mr. Biggs and unanimously carried.

AI 1. Recommending adopting the online textbook and print textbook bundle titled Retailing and E-tailing, at a cost of \$2,318.92 for the 2016-2017 school year from Goodhart-Wilcox Publishing Company.

Retailing & E-tailing

Mr. Biggs moved to approve item 2 under New Business. Seconded by Mr. Tenorio and unanimously carried.

AI 2. Approve the continued practice of awarding 8<sup>th</sup> grade students in honors math class high school credit per semester.

Honors Math Class credit

Ms. Curtis moved to approve item 3 under New Business. Seconded by Mr. Stills and unanimously carried.

AI 3. Request approval of the waiver request from implementation of protected taxes under I.C. 6-1.1-20.6-9.9.

Waiver – protected

IV Facility Request

AI Mr. Biggs moved to approve Facility Request from Hobart Baseball Club-Indiana Blaze. Seconded by Mr. Stills and unanimously carried.

Approve request from Hobart Baseball Club-Indiana Blaze to use the baseball field for games from April 27, 2016 to July 20, 2016 for 8 games.

Hobart Baseball Club

#### V Other Business

Next school board meeting is Wednesday, May 18, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Administration Center.

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Mr. Jim Vanderlin adjourned the meeting.