



Lake Station Community Schools
Board of School Trustees Meeting
Wednesday May 21, 2025

Minutes for the Public Meeting with the Board of School Trustees of the Lake Station Community Schools held at Bailey Elementary School, 2100 Union St. Lake Station, Indiana in the gym at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday evening, May 21, 2025.

This meeting is a meeting of the School Board in public for conducting the School Corporation’s business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There will be time for public participation as indicated by agenda item for Public Comments. The meeting will be available to watch livestreamed online.

Members Present: Mr. Music, Mr. Poweska, Mr. Billups

Members Absent: Mr. Tenorio, Mr. Wright

Others Present: Dr. Cripliver, Ms. Pepa, Mrs. Whisenant, Ms. Tauber

Mr. Music led the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments (3 Minute Limit) [Sign-In]

- Comment on agenda items
- Other comments for the Board.

School Presentation - Mrs. Kim Hayes, Principal

Mr. Billups moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Poweska and unanimously carried.

AI I. Consent Agenda

- | | | | |
|----|---|--|--|
| 1. | Approval of Minutes | | Minutes |
| | a. Executive Session – April 16, 2025 | | |
| | b. Regular Board Meeting – April 16, 2025 | | |
| 2. | Financial - Fiscal | | |
| | a. Approval of claims | | Claims: |
| | April 17, 2025 – May 21, 2025 | | 4/17/25-5/21/25 |
| | b. Approval of Payroll | | Payrolls: |
| | i. April 25, 2025 | | 4/25/25 |
| | ii. May 9, 2025 | | 5/9/25 |
| 3. | Extra-Curricular (Hirings) | | Extra-Curricular Hiring |
| 4. | Extra-Curricular (Resignation) | | Extra-Curricular Resignations |
| 5. | Donations | | Donations: |
| | 1. Friends of Bailey School - \$600.00 for the end of the year assembly | | Friends of Bailey
J&J Pizza
Raw Auto |



- 2. Varsity Football – J&J Pizza \$500, Raw Auto \$300, Cut up & Dye \$300 Smokin E’s BBQ \$500 and Glen Gulley \$530.29
 - 3. Baseball – Jennifer & Wallace McCormick \$50, Anonymous \$100
 - 4. HS Girls Track – Mary Marchese \$25
 - 5. Edison Student Activity Fund – Costco Workplace Giving Campaign \$93.5
- Cut Up & Dye
Smokin E’s BBQ
Glen Gulley
J & W McCormick
Anonymous
Mary Marchese
Costco Workplace**

II. Personnel

Mr. Billups moved to approve item 1 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Poweska and unanimously carried.

- AI 1. Approve Linda Scartozzi’ s request for an unpaid leave of absence until May 9, 2025. **L Scartozzi
Unpaid Leave**

Mr. Billups moved to approve item 2 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Poweska and unanimously carried.

- AI 2. Accept the following teacher resignations **Resignations:**
- a. Courtney Gray – Effective May 9, 2025.
 - b. Amber Ratcliff – Effective end of the 2024-2025 school year.
 - c. Ashley Piekarczyk – Effective end of the 2024-2025 school year.
 - d. Linda Scartozzi – Effective end of the 2024-2025 school year.
 - e. Kylie Eldridge – Effective end of the 20224-2025 school year.
- C Gray
A Ratcliff
A Piekarczyk
L Scartozzi
K Eldridge**

Mr. Poweska moved to approve item 3 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Billups and unanimously carried.

- AI 3. Approve to hire Diana Flanagan as Principal of Edison Jr. Sr. High School effective the 2025-2026 school year. **Hire:
Diana Flanagan**

Mr. Billups moved to approve item 4 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Poweska and unanimously carried.

- AI 4. Approve to hire Kevin Jones as the Dean of Students at Edison Jr. Sr. High School effective the 2025-2026 school year. **Hire:
Kevin Jones**

Mr. Billups moved to approve item 5 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Poweska and unanimously carried.

- AI 5. Approve to hire Laverne Marquez as a school bus driver effective immediately. **Hire:
Laverne Marquez**

Mr. Billups moved to approve item 6 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Poweska and unanimously carried.

- AI 6. Approve the recommendation to award Mrs. Flanagan a one-time supplemental payment of \$10,000.00 for accepting additional leadership duties at Edison Jr. Sr. High School this year. **Diana Flanagan
Award 1 time
Supplemental Pay**



Mr. Poweska moved to approve item 7 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Billups and unanimously carried.

- AI 7. Approve to hire Erik Riise as Dean of Students at Edison Jr. Sr. High School effective the 2025-2026 school year. **Hire:
Erik Riise**

Mr. Poweska moved to approve item 8 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Billups and unanimously carried.

- AI 8. Approve to hire Haley Housman as an elementary teacher effective the 2025-2026 school year. **Hire:
Haley Housman**

Mr. Poweska moved to approve item 9 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Billups and unanimously carried.

- AI 9. Approve the recommendation to suspend Ms. Godby without pay for five (5) work days (September 15 to September 19) returning September 22, 2025 for Board policy violations. **Suspend:
Dorothy Godby**

Mr. Billups moved to approve item 10 under Personnel. Seconded by Mr. Poweska and unanimously carried.

- AI 10. Approve to hire Mia Wineland for summer school English teacher. **Hire:
Mia Wineland**

IO III. Other Business

1. The next regular school board meeting is Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at Thomas Edison Jr. Sr. High School at 7:00 pm.

View this meeting online via livestream at Lake Station Community Schools' Facebook page and/or Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/93942205649> | Meeting ID: 939 4220 5649.

The meeting site is accessible; any person requiring further accommodation(s) should contact Ms. Ellen Moss, at the Administration Center at least 48 hours in advance at 219-962-1159, ext. 103.

ATTEST:

President, David Wright

Vice President, Greg Tenorio

Secretary, Kevin Music

Member, Jordan Billups

Member, Mike Poweska



Schedule 1

School Extracurricular Hirings

Position	Name	Status	Through
Track coach - Girls	Kimora Douglas	Lay	6/30/2025
Football Coach – Assistant (Volunteer)	Robert Robinson	Lay	11/30/2025
Football Coach – Assistant (Volunteer)	Henry (Robert) Harris	Lay	11/30/2025

Schedule 2

School Extracurricular Resignations

Position	Name	Status	Through
Track coach - Girls	Dorothy Godby	Teacher	6/30/2025