

Lena Public School District

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LENA BOARD OF EDUCATION’S **REGULAR MEETING: Minutes**

Date: **Monday, March 4, 2024**

Location: **Boardroom at 6:30pm.**

“This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District’s business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.”

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER @ 6:30 P.M.

Roll Call: Lori Dufek, Charles Imig, Timothy A. Goldschmidt, Ed Huberty, David McNurlen
Administration: Ben Pytleski, Matt Hanson, Mike Nompleggi
Pledge of Allegiance

II. OPEN FORUM

III. CONSENT ITEMS

- 1. Approve Minutes**
- 2. Approve Agenda**
- 3. Approve Vouchers for Payment**

Motion by David McNurlen, second by Timothy Goldschmidt to approve the minutes, agenda, and vouchers for payment as presented. Roll call: Lori Dufek-aye, David McNurlen-aye, Charles Imig aye, Timothy Goldschmidt-aye, Ed Huberty-aye. Motion carried.

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1. Recognize Winter Sports Accomplishments

-Chad Misco had two kids go to Wrestling State, 19th and 20th kids to go, 3rd State Champion-Taylor Whiting.

2. Athletic Director’s Report

-Student Assistant (2nd Semester) Eva Brooks. She helps with the following: Report scores to WIAA Website, make all game programs, update online schedules, schedule game officials, schedule game workers, set up gyms/fields prior to games, helping to prepare 2024-2025 Sports Budget in Excel, and gives the Athletic Director report at board meetings when Mr. Heimke has to take kid to practice.

-Winter sports participation:

-44% of our high school students participated in at least 1 activity this winter.

-48% of our middle school students participated in at least 1 activity this winter.

-Winter is always our lowest participation seasons, but we remain well above the state average of 31 % in winter.

-Winter Sports Success:

-Two state qualifiers in wrestling-Sam Peterson and Taylor Whiting

-Wrestling State Champion-Taylor Whiting won her 2nd state title as a sophomore.

She is the 3rd state champion in school history (Chad Misco and Joe Samsa).

-Girl’s Basketball team –Conference Champs, Regional Champs, and Sectional Champs.

- Girl's Basketball State Tournament
 - Girls play at state on Friday, 02/8/2024, at approximately at 10:45 am at the Resch Center in Green Bay.
 - There is a contest between the 4 schools in each division to see who sells the most tickets, with the winner getting \$2,000 for their school.
 - Lena had 591 tickets sold as of 3 pm today.
- Spring Sports Starting
 - Track delaying the start of practice due to Girls Basketball playing at State.
 - All spring sports start this month and are expecting strong participation rates. Spring is our best sports season for participation numbers.

3. Approve Coaching Contracts 2023-2024 School Year

Motion by David McNurlen, second by Charles Imig to approve Coaching contracts for the 2023-2024 School Year as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

4. Discuss Details of Our Health Insurance Benefits Package for 2024-2025 School Year

-Medical plan with details of Health Insurance Benefits package for the 2024-2025 School Year was handed out.

5. Approve the M3 Health Insurance Renewal for the 2024-2025 School Year

Motion by Charles Imig, second by Timothy Goldschmidt to approve the M3 Health Insurance Renewal for the 2024-2025 School Year as presented. Roll call: David McNurlen-aye, Timothy Goldschmidt-aye, Lori Dufek-aye, Charles Imig-aye, Ed Huberty-aye. Motion carried.

V. REPORT

1. Student Representative-Mackenzie

- Spaghetti Supper is Thursday, March 7th, from 4:30-7:30pm.
- Basketball: Our girls basketball team is headed to state at the Resch Center on Friday, March 8, 2024, to play at 10:45am.
- Forensics Sectionals: Students participate on Saturday, March 9, 2024 at Marinette.
- Spring Craft and Bake Sale: Hosted by Track, Baseball, and Trap Team, March 10, 2024 from 9am to 2pm.
- Senior Trip: Wisconsin Dells on 03/11 through 03/13/2024.
- ACT: Juniors take their ACT on Tuesday, March 12, 2024.
- M&O Honors Banquet is on Monday, March 18, 2024 at Romys Holiday Inn. The top 5 of the senior class are invited as well.

2. Elementary Principal-Mike

- Elementary pig race/Bond Center day, it was an amazing time. The kids loved it and so did the staff.
- Elementary voted for Option #3 for their favorite Playground Equipment.
- Had Forward Testing training with the Elementary, Middle, and High School Staff and I thought it went excellent.
- Had the privilege of going to Sun Prairie for another Impactful Coaching Session. I have learned so much in regards to this and am so happy I am able to go.
- 4K Screening on Friday, March 1, 2024-Kathie and our 4K Crew do such an amazing job with this. I believe we have around 26, 4K students coming next year.
- FFA Week was great-Awesome job Bobbie and the FFA students.
- Congrats on the Girls Basketball Team on making it to State for the first time since 1991.
- It is Dr. Suess/Read Across America this week within the Elementary.
- Staff Spaghetti Supper is this Thursday at 4:30 pm until 7:30pm. Get your tickets before it is too late.
- Spring Craft Fair is Sunday, March 10 at 9am until 2pm. Hope to see some of you there.

3. MS/HS Principal-Matt

- Buzz in the building is a positive vibe this week.
- Ag Olympics was last week.
- Fundraising went to the Parrett family.
- Hi-Q was hosted and was fun.

- Parent Teacher Conferences March 14, 2024.
- Noah and Sophia heading for State Band.
- Girls Basketball Team has a great personality and good coaching. Pep assembly is Thursday at 2:30pm. The girls from the teams for the years of 1980, 1990 and 1991 are coming as well.

4. Administrator-Ben

- Going to town hall meetings to tell our story to our municipalities.
- Tomorrow at CESA#8, planning for service contract 24/25 School year.
- Days are booked for Act 20.
- FFA week a great week.
- Spaghetti Supper Thursday, March 7, 2024.
- Food Service Grant: Need updated warmer and steamer. Jeff Hermersmann got bids.
- Thursday plans for a modified schedule for a 2:25pm dismissal for the girls basketball team to ride the Fire Trucks down main street, then to the gym with the past years teams from 1980, 1990, and 1991 with trophies and youth girls 3rd – 6th grade girls will play.
- Friday, March 8, 2024 heading to the game.
- Parent Teacher Conference, Thursday, March 14, from 2-6pm.
- Next Friday, March 15, 2024 no school.
- EE Certification Ben, Mike and Matt have completed.
- New website, Apptegy, just getting too old.

VI. ADJOURN

Motion by Charles Imig, to adjourn at 7:24pm.

***Recording Secretary done by:
Roberta Windus***