

**LUCAS LOCAL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
August 4, 2020
Board Meeting via Zoom
6:00 p.m.**

District Mission Statement:

**The mission of Lucas Local Schools is to provide high quality educational opportunities,
which promote academic preparedness and productive citizenship**

The Board of Education of the Lucas Local School District met for the Regular Board Meeting on August 4, 2020 via Zoom.

President Timothy Cooper called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken and the following members were present: Mrs. Amity Arnold, Mr. Wayne Camp, Mr. Timothy Cooper, Mr. Roger Maglott and Mr. Jon Parman.

Mr. Herman introduced the School Resource Officer from the Richland County Sheriff's Department, Deputy Jon VanHouten.

2020-145 Upon Motion by Mr. Maglott and seconded by Mr. Parman, the Board approved the agenda as amended.

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

2020-146 Upon Motion by Mr. Camp and seconded by Mrs. Arnold, the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of July 7, 2020 were approved.

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

2020-147 Upon Motion by Mr. Camp and seconded by Mrs. Arnold, the July 2020 Monthly Finance Reports were approved.

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

2020-148 Upon Motion by Mr. Parman and seconded by Mr. Camp, the Permanent Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2021 were approved.

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION ITEMS

Mr. Herman updated the board:

- Covid-19 update:
 - We are ramping up for the start of the school year. Completed our reopening plan last and is very similar to the county plan. We will be using the color system put in place by the Governor as a guide to move between instructional methods. If we are on yellow and orange, we will use traditional classroom learning. If we are on a red level, we would look at a blended learning with students in the buildings two days a week and remote learning three days a week. If we are on purple, that would be full remote learning.

- Information will be sent to parents regarding in which cohort they belong as well as information for parents to select full remote learning for the first semester.
- Ongoing communication with administration and employees dealing with instructional tools as well as safety tools to make our environment as safe as we possibly can.
- Regarding athletics, our coaches have done a phenomenal job to do everything they can to keep the athletes safe. Looking forward to getting more guidance from OHSAA and the Ohio Department of Health.

Mr. Lifer updated the board:

- Reviewed the Class of 2020 financial analysis with the Board. The Board will continue to review the information and discuss further at the September meeting
- OSBA Capital Conference will completely remote this year.

2020-149 Upon Motion by Mr. Parman and seconded by Mr. Camp, the following Certified Resignations were approved:

Barb Endsley	effective July 10, 2020
Daniel Cetina	effective August 7, 2020
Richard Hall	effective August 5, 2020

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

2020-150 Upon Motion by Mr. Camp and seconded by Mrs. Arnold, the following new Certified Teachers were approved for the 2020-2021 school year:

Megan Flaherty	7th grade ELA & Social Studies
Spencer Adams	6th grade Math & Social Studies

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

2020-151 Upon Motion by Mrs. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Parman, the following Supplemental Contracts were approved for the 2020-2021 school year:

Scott Spittler	Head Varsity Football
Joe Marsano	Head MS Football
Kaitlyn Fraley	Lead Mentor

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

2020-152 Upon Motion by Mr. Camp and seconded by Mrs. Arnold, the following position(s) have been offered to certified/licensed employees of the school district and were advertised June 12, 2020 for certified/licensed individuals who are not currently employed by the board and no such person(s) qualified to fill such position(s) applied for and accepted the position(s). Recommend approval of the Pupil-Activity Program Contracts for the 2020-2021 school year for the following:

Doug McPeck	Head Cross Country
Paige Sauder	Head Varsity Volleyball
Kelsey Walters	Assistant Varsity Volleyball
Kathy Ohm	8th Grade Volleyball
Nathan Smith	Assistant Varsity Football
Timothy Boggs	Assistant Varsity Football (50%)
Jim Sweat	Assistant Varsity Football (50%)

Jim Rader Assistant Middle School Football (50%)

The vote was: Mrs. Arnold Yes Mr. Maglott Yes
Mr. Camp Yes Mr. Parman Yes
Mr. Cooper Yes

2020-153 Upon Motion by Mr. Parman and seconded by Mr. Camp, the following Volunteer Coaches were approved for the 2020-2021 school year:

Jon Barrett Volunteer Football
Jeff Fanello Volunteer Football
Matt Smith Volunteer Football
Charlie Toms Volunteer Football
Jesse Blust Volunteer MS Football
Logan Knipp Volunteer MS Football

The vote was: Mrs. Arnold Yes Mr. Maglott Yes
Mr. Camp Yes Mr. Parman Yes
Mr. Cooper Yes

2020-154 Upon Motion by Mr. Camp and seconded by Mr. Parman, the 2020-2021 Lucas Schools Restart/Reopening Plan and remote learning option was approved.

The vote was: Mrs. Arnold Yes Mr. Maglott Yes
Mr. Camp Yes Mr. Parman Yes
Mr. Cooper Yes

2020-155 Upon Motion by Mr. Camp and seconded by Mrs. Arnold, New Board Policy, EBEA-Use of Face Coverings was approved.

The vote was: Mrs. Arnold Yes Mr. Maglott Yes
Mr. Camp Yes Mr. Parman Yes
Mr. Cooper Yes

2020-156 Upon Motion by Mr. Parman and seconded by Mr. Camp, the Board approved the following 2020-2021 handbooks:

Lucas Elementary School Handbook
Lucas Heritage Middle School Handbook
Lucas High School Handbook

The vote was: Mrs. Arnold Yes Mr. Maglott Yes
Mr. Camp Yes Mr. Parman Yes
Mr. Cooper Yes

2020-157 Upon Motion by Mr. Camp and seconded by Mr. Parman, the Board of Education approved the 2020-2021 Lucas Athletic Participation Handbook.

The vote was: Mrs. Arnold Yes Mr. Maglott Yes
Mr. Camp Yes Mr. Parman Yes
Mr. Cooper Yes

2020-158 **Upon Motion** by Mrs. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Camp, the revised 2020-2021 Lucas School District Calendar was approved.

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

2020-159 **Upon Motion** by Mr. Camp and seconded by Mr. Parman, the Mid-Ohio Sub & Tutor list and all updates for the 2020-2021 school year was approved.

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

2020-160 **Upon Motion** by Mrs. Arnold and seconded by Mr. Parman, the Board approved the following students for Open Enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year, per attached list.

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

2020-161 **Upon Motion** by Mr. Camp and seconded by Mrs. Arnold, the Free or Reduced Price Meals Guidelines for the 2020-2021 school year was approved.

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

2020-162 **Upon Motion** by Mr. Parman and seconded by Mr. Camp, the Board of Education approved the agreement between Head Start/CDC/EHS and the school districts in Richland County who serve young children who are eligible for special education services under IDEA (Individual with Disabilities Education Act) to develop a specific collaborative and cooperative agreement in compliance with Federal and State laws and regulations. This agreement will be effective from July 1, 2020 until June 30, 2021.

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

Business Advisory Council Update

Mr. Parman advised the Board that the next meeting is to be held in December

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Pam Morris inquired how quickly the changes occur between onsite learning and remote? Mr. Herman answered that each Thursday the Governor updates the county status. Any changes would to instructional method would occur the following week. Pam also asked regarding the lunches, recesses, gyms, extra-curricular usage and sanitizing. Mr. Herman answered that lunches will be taken to the middle and high schools. The elementary will continue to use the cafeteria with socially distancing in effect. Cleaning and sanitizing will occur based up on the guidelines from the health department and the CDC. Pam asked if students will have to wear masks during gym. Mr. Herman answered we will follow the orders we need to.

Amy Cuthbertson inquired if we are on red, will we always be on blended? Mr. Herman answered that initially, we would probably go to blended. However, once we have a little more local information, we would review what is the best fit for us. Amy also asked about a message from the group: Are the kids going to be home schooled as a choice use the same platform as in-classroom instruction? Mr. Herman answered that we do want some commonality for those learning remotely as those in the classroom.

Sara Brown inquired if we have a positive case, how would the closing or quarantining occur. Mr. Herman explained that we will receive direction from the County Health Department. This will be coordinated between our school nurse and the health department. Sara also asked about students changing classrooms in the middle and high school. Mr. Herman answered that the principals are working very hard on creating traffic patterns to minimize the quantity of students in the halls at one time. The students in the elementary school will mostly stay in their classroom. Mr. Herman also shared that we are working on trying to move teaching staff instead of students to minimize movement.

Candice asked regarding masks. Governor DeWine sent out an order today for masks. Do we have any clarification on this yet? Mr. Herman answered that with the timing of this release, I will need a little more time to review before we can answer this. We want to be as reasonable as possible, but we also need to follow the orders and guidelines received.

The students who decide to pursue the remote learning, will Lucas teachers be working with the students or is a third-party monitoring this? Mr. Herman responded that it is our intention that Lucas teachers will be working with the students.

Regarding mask use, how are we going to handle students who mess with their masks and don't wear them. Mr. Herman responded that we do not want face coverings to be a discipline issue. However, if that is the order we have to follow, we will work with the students and parents on these items.

Will the remote learning process be the same that was used last spring or will it be something different? Mr. Herman explained that we are hoping the approach this year is better than last spring.

Will the school be offering face masks or will the parents be required to provide them? Mr. Herman answered that we are currently changing out water fountains with bottle fillers. We are ordering water bottles for each staff & students for use. Mr. Herman has been in conversations with Community Center who is discussing making and providing some masks for the school. We do want to provide some masks. We do want to encourage parents to provide their own as the school is able to provide a few masks to students.

Can face shields be worn by the staff instead of masks so the younger students can see the face of the teacher for learning? Mr. Herman answered that we will be working with the teachers and the health department to keep things as safe as possible but keeping a strong learning environment.

Do we know what platform will be used for the remote learning so students are able to have dialogue with the teacher instead of having a lot of messages back and forth? Mr. Herman answered that we are looking at a mechanism that will provide interactive learning.

Will there be a waiver form for mask wearing? Mr. Herman responded that until he is able to read the order from the Governor, he will definitely look for options on this. Mrs. Arnold shared that her interpretation is that the waiver would probably need to be medical and fit within parameters set by the Ohio Department of Health.

How are we going to handle the gathering of students in the hallways, use of lockers, will backpacks be permitted? Mr. Herman shared that some of this information will be coming from the principals in the very near future. Locker use may be limited with students carrying their books with them and backpacks will be permitted and encouraged.

Josh Schell asked about the OHSAA mandated tests for contact sports. Who is paying for the tests? Mr. Herman responded that the information came from the Ohio Department of Health. We have yet to receive the OHSAA guidance, but Mr. Herman has heard that this item is being discussed in depth. Mrs. Arnold shared that she heard at the end of the Governor's address today, during the Q&A session, this was discussed and heard that this order was never intended for secondary (high school). Mr. Herman shared that this item will be monitored very closely as we approach the start of fall sports.

If we end up on a red level, who decides which students attend which days. Mr. Herman answered that this information will be distributed yet this week. Family last name A-K Monday/Tuesday, L-Z Thursday/Friday. Wednesday would be remote learning for everyone. Families that have blended last names, the principal will contact you directly

If the governor ends the mask mandate, will masks still be required? Mr. Herman responded that we will watch the guidance from the Governor, Ohio Department of Health, and the local health department to make this determination. The higher the alert level may equate that it is more likely that masks will be worn.

K. Strassell asked about protocols for keeping a student home and are tests required if they have a fever? Mr. Herman shared the information in the restart plan. Wellness checks should be completed at home before leaving.

Is there a certain date that a parent needs to let the school know if their student is participating in remote learning? Mr. Herman responded that information will be distributed tomorrow. Parents will have one week to respond.

Will class supply lists be updated and what about open houses? Mr. Herman shared that principals will be distributing this information. Traditional open houses will probably not work this year. The principals will be sharing information on getting supplies into the classroom as well.

Will student's temperatures be taken before entering the school? Mr. Herman responded that the parent should perform a health assessment before leaving the house. Their temp will be taken again before they enter the building. Should a child have a temperature of over 100 degrees, the child will be quarantined and the parent contacted to come and pick-up the student.

Will the arrival and dismissal times be changing? Mr. Herman stated that dismissal will stay close to the same. Arrival times will be 8:15. Parents should NOT drop off students prior to 8:15 AM.

On yellow and orange, do our students still need to wear masks? Yes, according to what the Governor's address stated today.

If a student needs to stay home to quarantine, can that student participate in remote learning and how will the truancy work this year and remote learning? Mr. Herman responded that we will work with our families on those situations and accommodate their individual needs.

If one of my children has a high temperature, do all of them need to stay home? Mr. Herman stated that it is based upon individuals. We don't always want to assume a symptom is Covid-19.

Will the students going to Pioneer follow the same schedule? Mr. Herman responded that Pioneer is their own separate school. However, the Richland County schools all agreed that the "at-home day" is Wednesday for schools doing remote learning.

ITEMS FROM INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Camp- Inquired about outside cleaning? We will be using backpack sprayers will be used to sanitize the playground equipment.

Mr. Herman-To the families and participants of the meeting, I appreciate your questions as all of us move forward through this situation. We will keep communicating as items develop.

2020-163 Upon Motion by Mr. Cooper and seconded by Mr. Camp, the Board adjourned from regular session at 7:33 p.m.

The vote was:	Mrs. Arnold	Yes	Mr. Maglott	Yes
	Mr. Camp	Yes	Mr. Parman	Yes
	Mr. Cooper	Yes		

Certificate Section 5705.412, Revised Code

It is hereby certified that the Lucas Local School District Board of Education, Richland County, Ohio, has sufficient funds to meet the contract agreement, obligation, payment or expenditure for the above, and has in effect for the remainder of the fiscal year and succeeding fiscal year the authorization to levy taxes which, when combined with the estimated revenue from all other sources available to the district at the time of certification, are sufficient to provide operating revenues necessary to enable the district to operate an adequate educational program on all days set forth in its adopted school calendar for the current fiscal year and for a number of days in the succeeding fiscal year equal to the number of days instruction was or is scheduled for the current fiscal year.

Timothy Cooper, President

Bradley A. Herman, Superintendent

Larry Lifer, Treasurer