

Livingston Classical Academy Board of Directors - Regular Meeting Agenda

Date: Thursday, April 10, 2025
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: 8877 Main St., Whitmore Lake, MI 48189

Call to Order D. Raney called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

MEMBERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	MEMBERS	PRESENT	ABSENT
Kalyndra Craven	x		David Raney	x	
Stacy Specht	x		Doug Pedersen	x	
Mike Schmidt	x				

OTHERS PRESENT	
Sarah Parsell - LCA	Kurt Naber - Choice Schools
	Kerri Barrett - Choice Schools

A. Approval of Agenda & Minutes

Item	Purpose	Who	Materials
1. Approval of Agenda	Vote	Board	4/10/25 Proposed Agenda
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes	Vote	Board	2/25/25 Proposed Minutes

K. Craven requested to postpone item F.2 until the May meeting.

It was moved by D. Pedersen and supported by K. Craven to approve the agenda as amended.

Aye 5 Nay 0

It was moved by D. Pedersen and supported by K. Craven to approve the minutes as presented.

Aye 5 Nay 0

B. Public Comment None

C. Management Reports

1. Principals Report S. Parsell reviewed several items from the report.
2. Choice Report K. Naber highlighted a few items on the superintendent report.
3. Authorizer Report K. Naber discussed a few recent conversations between LCA administration and WLPS administration.

D. Board Committee Reports

<i>Item</i>	<i>Who</i>	<i>Notes</i>
1. Finance	K. Craven	The committee is pursuing options for an account for the school's fund balance reserves.
2. Policy	K. Craven	The committee will meet to discuss pending policy updates.
3. Marketing	S. Specht	The committee has been pursuing several marketing initiatives. K. Barrett provided a Communications Update on behalf of Choice Schools.
4. Academics	D. Raney	The committee has met to discuss and review the report from a recent Literacy Essentials site visit. A plan for the next steps to address deficiencies in the program's implementation has been requested. The committee is continuing work on the application for Hillsdale curriculum affiliation.
5. Long Term Planning	D. Pedersen	There was a meeting with the administration to discuss the key decision areas and some topics related to the growth of the school and the future facilities outlook.

E. Treasurer's Report

<i>Item</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Who</i>	<i>Materials</i>
1. Monthly Financial Report	Vote	Finance	February & March Report

K. Craven discussed a few highlights from the reports.

It was moved by K. Craven and supported by S. Specht to accept the Financial Reports as submitted.

Aye 5 Nay 0

F. New Business

<i>Item</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Who</i>	<i>Materials</i>
1. ESP Evaluation	Discussion	K. Naber	ESP Evaluation

K. Naber discussed the evaluation survey with the board. The members requested a report of the responses from the LCA board members upon the conclusion of the survey window.

2. Board Policy Update	Discussion / Vote	Board	Revised BP8330
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Discussion and board action postponed until the May meeting.

3. Board Member Terms	Discussion	Board	24/25 LCA Board Terms
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K. Naber reviewed board member terms of service. Nomination can be sent to WLPS following LCA board action at a future meeting.

4. 2025/2026 Board Meeting Calendar	Discussion	Board	Draft 25/26 Board Calendar
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A draft calendar was prepared for review & discussion.

5. 2025/2026 School Calendar	Discussion / Vote	S. Parsell	25/26 School Calendar
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S. Parsell reviewed the proposed calendar for the board.

It was moved by S. Specht and supported by D. Pedersen to approve the 2025/2026 LCA School Calendar as presented.

Aye 5 Nay 0

6. Field Trip Approval	Discussion / Vote	S. Parsell	Jr./Sr. Trip to Washington D.C. - spring 2026
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S. Parsell discussed the proposed trip with the board.

It was moved by D. Pedersen and supported by K. Craven to approve the spring 2026 Washington D.C. trip as presented.

Aye 5 Nay 0

G. Extended Public Comments

Several former students commented about their educational experiences at LCA.

A parent commented about a lack of communication between administration, students, and parents.

A parent commented on behalf of the Guardian Guild. The organization is kicking off a fundraising campaign.

H. Board Member Comments

K. Craven - appreciated the engagement from the students and parents, and encouraged continued involvement. The WLPS/LCA robotics team recently went to the state competition, and is going to represent the community at a worldwide competition.

S. Specht - thanked the students for taking the time and making the effort to bring their comments to the board.

D. Pedersen - appreciated the deep commitment to the school from the individuals who provided feedback and comments for the board.

D. Raney - commented about the evident love for the school among the students and families.

I. Next Board Meeting Confirmation (May 8, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.)

J. Closed Session (If Requested) None

K. Adjournment

D. Raney adjourned the meeting at 8:21 pm

Mike Schmidt

05/13/2025

Respectfully Submitted: Mike Schmidt (May 13, 2025 19:53 EDT)

Date: _____

M. Schmidt - Board Secretary

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Directors in public for the purpose of conducting the Academy'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 (Board Policy 0155 Agenda)

Upon request to the Principal, the Academy shall make reasonable accommodation for a disabled person to be able to participate in this activity (Board Policy 9160 Public Attendance at Academy Events).

Individuals wishing to address the Board of Directors are to sign in with the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting. Individual comments are limited to no more than three (3) minutes each and a total time allowance not to exceed thirty (30) minutes. The Board will not verbally respond to public comments but may follow up in the most appropriate and time-effective manner.

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