REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

L'ANSE AREA SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 19, 2026

1. The Regular Meeting of the L'Anse Area Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Bugni on October 19, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the High School #169.

2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:
   The following members were in attendance:
   Mrs. Paulson, Mr. Fedie, Mrs. Bugni, Mrs. Frisk, Mrs. Nordstrom and Ms. Waara
   Excused: Mr. Cavanaugh

   Administrative personnel in attendance:
   Superintendent Davidson, Business Manager Valsa, Principal Scroggs, Principal Cichosz & Admin. Assistant Hochstein

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:
   Motion by Mrs. Paulson supported by Ms. Waara to approve the Agenda for the October 19, 2026. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
   Motion by Mr. Fedie supported by Mrs. Paulson to approve the minutes for the Regular Board of Education meeting held on September 21, 2026. Motion carried.

5. CORRESPONDENCE
   A. Donation received for Middle School Science Tables (M.C.)

6. HORNET HIGHLIGHTS:
   Principal Scroggs – 3rd grade classes went to Polosaari's Corn Maze thanks to the Meemic Grant; there will be a Halloween parade this year beginning at 2:30 p.m. Samantha Knight, Head Cook, has implemented new items on the menu since starting the school year; lots of positive feedback from both students and staff.
   Principal Cichosz – Alayna Waara will be speaking to students next week on *Health Careers & Higher Education.*

7. STUDENT REPORTS: Willow Rexford, Student Rep, reported High School students are reading to elementary students and SLACK had their first meeting in Houghton. Student Council is planning Veteran's Day Assembly & breakfast. Youth In Government has their first conference at NMU tomorrow.

8. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH ~ SEPTEMBER – Samantha Knight, *Head Cook*

9. STAFF PARTICIPATION: None

10. FINANCES:

Food Spend Down was discussed.

A. Motion by Mr. Fedie supported by Ms. Waara, to approve the payment of bills as presented. Motion carried.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Motion by Mrs. Paulson supported by Ms. Waara to approve the Resolution to Impose a Summer Tax Levy to collect **100%** of annual school property taxes. Motion carried.

B. New Hires / Resignations

New Hires(s):	Julianna Paquette, *Student Custodian (Evenings / 3hrs)* Michael Stein, *Part Time Custodian*
Resignation(s):	None

C. Policy updates from NEOLA were reviewed:

Volume 41, No. 1, September 2026 – ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
Policy 0100 – Definitions *(revised)*
Policy 0154 – Organizational Meeting Actions *(replacement)*
Policy 0164.1 – Meetings *(revised)*
Policy 0164.2 – Special Meetings *(rescind)*
Policy 0164.3 – Emergency Meetings *(rescind)*
Policy 0165.1 – Regular Meetings *(rescind)*
Policy 0165.2 – Change of Regular Meetings *(rescind)*
Policy 0165.3 – Special Meetings *(rescind)*
Policy 0165.4 – Emergency Meetings *(rescind)*
Policy 0165.5 – Recess *(rescind)*
Policy 0165.6 – Cancellation *(rescind)*
Policy 2370.02 – Virtual Instruction Days *(New)*
Policy 2623 – Student Assessment *(Revised)*
Policy 3310/4310 – Freedom of Speech in Non-Official Duty Settings *(Revised)*
Policy 5111.01 – Homeless Students *(Revised)*
Policy 5330 – Use of Medications *(Revised)*
Policy 5330.01 – Epinephrine Delivery Systems *(Revised)*
Policy 5460 – Graduation Requirements *(Revised)*
Policy 5830 – Student Fundraising *(Revised)*
Policy 6605 – Crowdfunding *(Revised)*
Policy 6700 – Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) *(Revised)*
Policy 7230 – Gifts, Grants, and Bequests *(Revised)*
Policy 7540.03 – Student Technology Acceptable Use and Safety *(Revised)*
Policy 7540.04 – Staff Technology Acceptable Use and Safety *(Revised)*
Policy 7540.09 – Artificial Intelligence ("AI") *(Revised)*
Policy 8310 – Public Records *(Revised)*
Policy 8320 – Personnel Files *(Revised)*

Policy 8321 – Criminal Justice Information Security (Non-Criminal Justice Agency) *(Revised)*
Policy 8330 – Student Records *(Revised)*
Policy 8420 – Emergency Situations at Schools *(Revised)*
Policy 8510 – Wellness *(Revised)*
Policy 9211 – School Support Organizations *(Rescind)*
Policy 9215 – School Support Organizations (SSOs) *(Renumbered/Replacement)*

12. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: *presented in packet*
    A. Maintenance-Custodial-Transportation Supervisor
    B. Director of Student Services & Athletic Director
    C. Elementary (K-5) Principal
    D. JSH (6-12) Principal
    E. Superintendent – added 31aa follow up; date for a Finance Committee Meeting

13. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:
    A. Education Resources
    B. Extra-Curricular
    C. Finance
    D. Library
    E. CCASB – Dates will be announced for Winter meeting, New Board Member Orientation, Legislation gathering, Awards ceremony & spring meeting at Chassell.
    F. CCISD – meeting tomorrow
    G. Wellness Committee - Discussed Triannual Assessment, updated goals, snacks, Employee Wellness Challenge & newsletter ideas.
    H. L.A.S. Foundation – Receiving grant applications.
    I. Personnel Committee
    J. Tribal Education Committee – meeting next Wednesday.

14. STUDENT COMMENTS: None

15. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

16. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Mrs. Paulson commented on Title 1 and Trails-in-Motion Disc Golf course.
Mrs. Frisk inquired about Unite Mental Health services.
Mrs. Bugni complimented the metal *LA* at the main entrance.

17. ADJOURNMENT:
Motion by Mr. Fedie supported by Mrs. Frisk to adjourn the meeting at 5:28 p.m.
Motion carried.

KATIE WAARA, *Secretary*

JOAN BUGNI, *President*