

The North Fork Board of Education met in **Regular** session on Monday, July 17, 2023, at Utica Elementary School, 367 Church Street, Utica, OH 43080.

The meeting was called to order by President Cooperider at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Hartley.

In the absence of the Treasurer, President Cooperider appointed Mr. Hollenback Treasurer Pro Tempore, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3313.23.

The following members were present: Mrs. Barbara Bruce, Mrs. Farrah Cooperider, Mr. Andy Hollenback, Dr. Rob Krueger, and Mrs. Lori Stradley.

RECOGNITIONS

None

REPORTS:

1. **Superintendent** – Mr. Hartley – Buildings are on schedule for the start of the year; all staff meeting is on Aug. 15, beginning at 8:00 a.m. followed by the Hall of Honors induction at 10:00 a.m.; staffing update
2. **Treasurer**

WORK SESSION

- NEOLA Additions/Revisions

Second Reading

- 0164 Notice of Meetings (Bylaws)
- 5460 Graduation Requirements (Students)

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Public comment was requested and the following responded:

- None

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

- 3.1 Approve the employment of Kirsten Herth in the position of instrumental music teacher on a one-year limited contract for the 2023-2024 school year pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 5 of the Bachelor's w/150 scale of the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.
- 3.2 Approve Kirsten Herth in the position of Marching Band Director, Level 2, Step 4

- 3.3 Approve Kirsten Herth in the position of Instrumental Music Director, Level 3, Step 4
- 5.1 Approve the revised 3-year HVAC technical support agreement with the K-Company. The original agreement was approved at the June 26, 2023, board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

2023-07-0090

Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Stradley, that the Board waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the June 26, 2023, Regular Meeting.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0091

Mrs. Stradley moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the board approve the following personnel actions:

Certified

- 2.1 Approve the Licking County Educational Service Center Certificated Substitute Lists No. 1 and No. 2 for the 2023-2024 school year.
- 2.2 Approve the employment of Elizabeth Edinger in the position of Utica Middle School, Dean of Students, on a one-year limited contract for the 2023-2024 school year pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 11 of the Masters +15 scale of the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.
- 2.3 Accept a letter of resignation from Michael Dean, instrumental music teacher/band director, effective the end of the 2022-2023 school year.

Extra Service/Supplemental

- 2.4 Approve the following supplemental positions for the 2023-2024 school year, pending proper certification and background check:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Step</u>
Jamie Taylor	Wrestling Assistant Coach	3	4

- 2.5 Accept a letter of resignation from Carolyn Clippinger as Senior Class Advisor (50%) for the 2023-2024 school year.

Classified

- 2.6 Accept a letter of resignation from Bonnie Stout, instructional aide, effective the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
- 2.7 Approve the employment of Phillip Carter in the position of transportation driver, on a one-year limited contract for the 2023-2024 school year pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 2 of the T-2 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.
- 2.8 Approve the employment of Cindy May in the position of transportation driver, on a one-year limited contract for the 2023-2024 school year pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 11 of the T-2 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.
- 2.9 Approve the employment of Steven Williams in the position of transportation driver, on a one-year limited contract for the 2023-2024 school year pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 2 of the T-2 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.
- 2.10 Approve the employment of Jodi Ramsey in the position of transportation driver, on a one-year limited contract for the 2023-2024 school year pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 12 of the T-2 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.
- 2.11 Approve Robin Holtz in the position of head cook on a continuing contract beginning with the 2023-2024 school year; compensation to be at Step 12 of the F-3 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.
- 2.12 Approve the employment of Stephanie Garcia in the position of instructional aide on a one-year limited contract for the 2023-2024 school year pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 3 of the A-1 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.
- 2.13 Approve the following employees to be included on the classified substitute list for the 2023-2024 school year:

Debra Paxton

Non-Degree Substitutes

- 2.14 Approve the following as non-degree substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year pending proper certification and background checks:

Shawna Blake Michael Rauzi

Yea: Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0092

- 3.1 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Stradley, that the Board approve the employment of Kirsten Herth in the position of instrumental music teacher on a one-year limited contract for the 2023-2024 school year pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 5 of the Bachelor's w/150 scale of the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0093

- 3.2 Dr. Krueger moved, seconded by Mr. Hollenback, that the Board approve Kirsten Herth in the position of Marching Band Director, Level 2, Step 4.

Yea: Dr. Krueger, Mr. Hollenback, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Stradley – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0094

- 3.3 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Stradley, that the Board approve Kirsten Herth in the position of Instrumental Music Director, Level 3, Step 4.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0095

Mrs. Stradley moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve the following financial actions:

- 4.1 Approve the financial and reconciliation reports for the Month of June 2023.
- 4.2 Approve bills as presented for June 2023 and payment of bills with “Then and Now” certificates.
- 4.3 Authorize the Treasurer and Superintendent to issue purchase orders in accordance with Board Policy 6400.

4.4 Approve the following appropriation modifications:

Temporary Appropriation

Modifications

	<i>Original Appropriation</i>	<i>Increase/ Decrease</i>	<i>Total Appropriation</i>
<i>Vo Ed-5th Quarter Grant (461)</i>	<i>3,000.00</i>	<i>9,000.00</i>	<i>12,000.00</i>
<i>IDEA B (516)</i>	<i>391,000.00</i>	<i>29,701.61</i>	<i>420,701.61</i>
<i>Title I Supplemental School Improve (536)</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>53,106.00</i>	<i>53,106.00</i>
<i>Title I & Expanding Opportunities (572)</i>	<i>333,000.00</i>	<i>103,557.00</i>	<i>436,557.00</i>
<i>Title IV & Stronger Connections (584)</i>	<i>24,815.00</i>	<i>16,477.00</i>	<i>41,292.00</i>
<i>Title IIA (590)</i>	<i>58,000.00</i>	<i>5,980.55</i>	<i>63,980.55</i>

Yea: Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0096

5.1 Mrs. Stradley moved, seconded by Mrs. Cooperider, that the Board approve the **revised** 3-year HVAC technical support agreement with the K-Company. The original agreement was approved at the June 26, 2023, board meeting.

Yea: Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Bruce, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0097

6.1 Mrs. Stradley moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve the adoption of the following policy revisions/additions/deletions:

0164 Notice of Meetings (Bylaws)

5460 Graduation Requirements (Students)

Yea: Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0098

6.2 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Stradley, that the Board approve the volunteer list for the 2023-2024 school year; this list will be included as a part of the minutes.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0099

6.3 Mrs. Stradley moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve the agreement with Strategic Management Solutions for E-Rate consulting services for funding years 2024, 2025, and 2026.

Yea: Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0100

6.4 Mrs. Stradley moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve the Service Level Agreement with the Licking Area Computer Association (LACA) for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

Yea: Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0101

- 6.5 Mrs. Stradley moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve the Negotiated Agreement between the Ohio Association of Public School Employees Local 709 (OAPSE) and the North Fork Local School District Board of Education, effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026.

Yea: Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0102

- 6.6 Mrs. Stradley moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve the quote from Advanced Business Communications, Inc. in the amount of \$8,766.60.

Yea: Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0103

- 6.7 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Stradley, that the Board approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH AN ISSUE
OF BONDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$58,000,000 AND CERTIFYING
THE SAME TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

(Ohio Revised Code Section 133.18)

WHEREAS, the Board passed a resolution (the "Resolution of Necessity") at its meeting on June 26, 2023, declaring that it is necessary to issue bonds in the amount of \$58,000,000 (the "Bonds") for the purpose of constructing school facilities, including constructing a new middle school building, and renovating, improving and expanding existing school facilities; furnishing and equipping the same; improving the sites thereof; and acquiring land and interests in land as necessary in connection therewith, and that it is necessary that a tax be annually levied on all the taxable property in the School District outside of the ten-mill limitation to meet the debt charges on the Bonds and any securities issued in anticipation thereof; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor of Licking County, Ohio (the "County Auditor") has certified to the Board that, based on the School District's current total taxable value of \$333,686,864, an estimated average annual property tax levy of 6.80 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$238 for each

\$100,000 of the "county auditor's appraised value" (as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 5705.01(P)), will be required to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds over 37 years, which is the maximum maturity of the Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the North Fork Local School District, Licking and Knox Counties, Ohio, a majority of all of the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. The Board hereby determines that it is necessary to proceed with submitting the question of the issuance of the Bonds, in the amount and for the purpose described in the preamble to this Resolution, to the electors of the School District pursuant to and as authorized by Ohio Revised Code Section 133.18, and to levy, outside of the ten-mill limitation provided by law, an annual tax on all the taxable property in the entire territory of the School District to pay debt charges on the Bonds and any securities issued in anticipation thereof.

Section 2. The Bonds shall be dated approximately December 1, 2023; shall have an estimated net average rate of interest of 2.32% per annum; and shall have the principal be paid over a maximum period not to exceed 37 years, as calculated under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 133.

Section 3. The question of issuing the Bonds shall be submitted to all of the electors in the entire territory of the School District at the election to be held on November 7, 2023. All of the territory of the School District is located in Licking and Knox Counties, Ohio.

Section 4. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE VOTE IS NECESSARY FOR
PASSAGE

Shall bonds be issued by the North Fork Local School District for the purpose of constructing school facilities, including constructing a new middle school building, and renovating, improving, and expanding existing school facilities; furnishing and equipping the same; improving the sites thereof; and acquiring land and interests in land as necessary in connection therewith in the principal amount of \$58,000,000, to be repaid annually over a maximum period of 37 years, and an annual levy of property taxes be made outside the ten-mill limitation, estimated by the county auditor to average over the repayment period of the bond issue 6.80 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$238 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, commencing in 2023, first due in calendar year 2024, to pay the annual debt charges on the bonds, and to pay debt charges on any notes issued in anticipation of those bonds?

	FOR THE BOND ISSUE
	AGAINST THE BOND ISSUE

Section 5. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed to immediately certify, not later than August 9, 2023 (which date is not less than 90 days prior to the Election Date), to the Board of Elections of Licking County, Ohio, a copy of the Resolution of Necessity and a copy of this Resolution together with the certificate of the County Auditor certifying the current total taxable value of the School District and the annual property tax levy, expressed in mills for each \$1 of taxable value as well as in dollars for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value, that will be required to pay the debt charges on the Bonds over the maximum maturity of the Bonds.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

2023-07-0104

6.8 Mrs. Stradley moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve Mrs. Cooperider as the Delegate and Mrs. Bruce as the Alternate to the 2023 OSBA Capital Conference.

Yea: Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Public comment was requested and the following responded:

- None

Mrs. Stradley moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the meeting be adjourned.

Yea: Mrs. Stradley, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, Dr. Krueger – 5

Nay: - 0

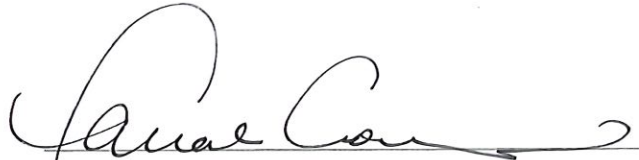
The president ruled the motion carried.

Time: 6:37 p.m.

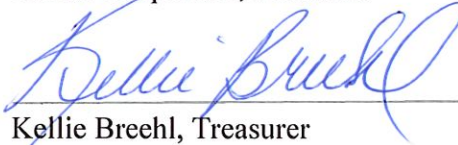
Next Meeting: August 21, 2023

Location: Utica Senior High School
260 Jefferson Street
Utica, Ohio 43080

Time: 6:00 p.m.



Parrah Cooperider, President



Kellie Breehl, Treasurer