

The North Fork Board of Education met in **Regular** session on February 02, 2015 at the Utica Senior High School (Staff Dining Room), 260 Jefferson Street, Utica, Ohio 43080.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Stradley

The following members were present: Mrs. Barb Bruce, Mrs. Farrah Cooperider, Mrs. Theresa Magers, Mr. Bernard Snow and Mrs. Lori Stradley.

The meeting was called to order by President Stradley at 7:00 p.m.

Public comment was requested and the following responded:

- None

AGENDA ADJUSTMENT

- None

OLD BUSINESS

- None

2015-02-0011

Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Magers to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE
PROPOSITION OF A RENEWAL INCOME TAX
(R.C. 5748.02 and R.C. 5748.03)**

WHEREAS, the Board, at its meeting on January 12, 2015, determined that it is necessary to raise annually additional revenues of at least \$1,900,000 for the purpose of providing for the current operating expenses of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Commissioner of the State of Ohio has estimated and certified the property tax rate and the income tax rate required in order to produce such additional revenues; and

WHEREAS, the income tax rate, rounded to the nearest one-fourth of one percent as required by law, is one percent (1.00%) per annum; and

WHEREAS, such rate is not higher than the income tax approved by the voters of the School District on November 5, 2013 for three (3) years (the "Existing Income Tax").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the North Fork Local School District, Licking and Knox Counties, Ohio that:

Section 1. It is hereby determined to be necessary to proceed with the proposition of levying a renewal of the Existing Income Tax on the earned income of individuals residing in the School District. Such renewal income tax shall be at the rate of one percent (1.00%) per annum,

shall be for the purpose of providing for the current operating expenses of the School District, shall take effect on January 1, 2017, and shall be levied for three (3) years (the "Income Tax").

Section 2. The income that shall be subject to the Income Tax is taxable income of individuals as defined in R.C. 5748.01(E)(1)(b).

Section 3. The question of levying such renewal income tax shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the election to be held at the usual voting places within the School District, on May 5, 2015.

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

AFFIRMATIVE VOTE IS NECESSARY FOR PASSAGE

Shall an annual income tax of one percent (1.00%) on the earned income of individuals residing in the School District be imposed by the North Fork Local School District to renew an income tax expiring at the end of 2016 for three (3) years, beginning January 1, 2017, for the purpose of providing for the current operating expenses of the School District?

	FOR THE TAX
	AGAINST THE TAX

Section 5. The Treasurer of the School District is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Board of Elections of Licking County, Ohio, not later than February 4, 2015.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Magers, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried.

2015-02-0012

1.2 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Cooperider to authorize the Treasurer and/or Superintendent to seek bids for the replacement of the high school gymnasium bleachers. Funds for this project are largely from a Bureau of Workers Compensation refund and donations, with little cost from the general fund.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Magers, Mr. Snow, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried.

WORK SESSION

Board Planning

Superintendent's Report / Instructions:

- Request the Treasurer to post the Power Point presentation for CAUV values on the District website
- Request the Treasurer to budget a new technology teacher by May 1st to determine if this is a position that can be afforded by the District
- Request the Superintendent to check into the use and upkeep of the AESOP program.

Public comment was requested and the following responded:

Bob Krueger – Requested a copy of the Facilities Project list and the Vision, Missions and Goals from the planning portion of the meeting.

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

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Magers, Mr. Snow, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

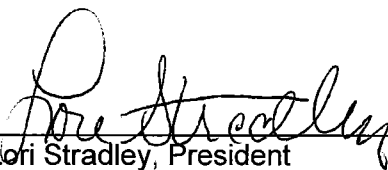
The president ruled the motion carried.

Time: 8:56 9.m.

Next Meeting: February 23, 2015

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

Time: 6:30 p.m. Building Tour and Public Discussion
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting


Lori Stradley, President


Tonya Mickley, Treasurer

The North Fork Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, February 23, 2015 at the Utica Junior High School, 260 Jefferson Street, Utica, Ohio 43080.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Bruce.

The following members were present: Mrs. Barb Bruce, Mrs. Farrah Cooperider, Mrs. Theresa Magers, Mr. Bernard Snow, and Mrs. Lori Stradley.

The meeting was called to order by President Stradley at 7:00 p.m.

RECOGNITIONS:

None

REPORTS:

1. Superintendent's – Mr. Hartley
2. Treasurer's – Mrs. Mickley

WORK SESSION

1. Pay to Participate Discussion – will plan on reviewing couple of different options. One will be the same as this year, and one will be with a little extra assistance to activities without ticket sales.
2. Mill Street Property – the Board would like to keep this property as a whole. While the Board is not actively trying to sell, they will entertain offers. Because it is a bigger parcel of land than the Spring Street land, the sale should at least be as much as the Spring Street land.

Public comment was requested and the following responded:

Fred Ford

- The District has a need for drivers and another mechanic. The pay appears to be lower for North Fork Transportation than other area school Transportation employees.

Kate Lambert

- Asked more questions in regards to the work session topics.

Tammi Smith

- Inquired if calamity days could be determined before getting students on the bus.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS:

- Pg 10 #6.4 – Add Buckeye Bleacher as the vendor.
- Pg 4 #2.8 – Include Barbara Shorts on the Classified Sub list
- Pg 6 #4.3 – There are no transfers/advances to be approved at this meeting

Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Magers, that the Board approve the waiving of reading and the approval of the minutes of the January 12, 2015, Organizational Meeting, and the January 12, 2015 Regular Meeting.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Magers, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried.

2015-02-0013

Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Cooperider, that the Board approve the following personnel actions:

Certified

- 2.1 Approve the Licking County Educational Service Center Certificated Substitute Lists No. 7 and No. 8 for the 2014-2015 school year.

Extra Service/Supplemental

- 2.2 Approve the following volunteers for the 2014-2015 school year:

David Hayden Rebecca Kirk Jennifer Nelson

- 2.3 Accept a letter of resignation from Staci Meyers, Softball Varsity Assistant Coach, effective January 28, 2015.

- 2.4 Approve the following supplemental positions for the 2014-2015 school year pending proper certification and background checks:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Danica Hewitt	Softball Volunteer Coach	8	4	\$1.00
Staci Meyers	Softball Volunteer Coach	8	1	\$1.00
Wes Miller	Softball Assistant Coach	4	4	\$2,449.00
Ed Metzger	Baseball Volunteer Assistant Coach	8	4	\$1.00

- 2.5 Approve the following supplemental positions for the 2015-2016 school year pending proper certification and background checks:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Brian Gustin	Football Head Coach	1	4	4,898.00

- 2.6 Approve Bradley Kohl, a long-term substitute teacher, to provide additional Vo-Ag instruction above the teachers' contracted day as deemed necessary by the building administrator. Compensation will be at the Home Instruction Tutor's rate (\$25.00/hr.) of the NFEA Negotiated Agreement as submitted by time sheets and in accordance with the payroll calendar schedule.

- 2.7 Approve the following teachers to assist with translation services for a student at Newton Elementary. The Superintendent will approve the amount of hours and effective dates as needed. Compensation will be at the Home Instruction Tutor's rate (\$25.00/hr.) of the NFEA Negotiated Agreement as submitted by time sheets and in accordance with the payroll calendar schedule.

Lillian Buchman Lauren Davis

Classified

- 2.8 Approve the following employees to be included on the Classified Substitute List for the 2014-2015 school year:

Daisy J. Hazlett Amberlyn Walker Barbara Shorts

- 2.9 Accept a letter of resignation from Teresa Rieder, bus driver, effective January 2, 2015.
- 2.10 Accept a letter of resignation from Barbara Shorts, Transportation Assistant, effective March 1, 2015.
- 2.11 Accept a letter of resignation from Cyle Hughes, Bus Mechanic, effective the end of the day February 20, 2015.
- 2.12 Approve the employment of Dawn White on a one-year limited contract as a bus driver, effective February 2, 2015; compensation to be at Step 6 of the Transportation, T-1, Salary Schedule of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.(\$14.30/hr.)

Administrative

- 2.13 Accept a letter of resignation from JoAnn Walton, effective February 1, 2015, for the purpose of retirement.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Magers, Mr. Snow, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried.

2015-02-0014

Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Magers, that the Board approve the following financial actions:

- 4.1 Approve the financial reports for the Month of January, 2015--SM-2, financial report by fund, revenue accounts by fund/receipt code, budget accounts by fund/function object, check payment register, and investment transaction report and appropriation adjustments.
- 4.2 Authorize the Treasurer and Superintendent to issue purchase orders in accordance with Board Policy 6400. This list will be made a part of the minutes.

- 4.3 *Removed per agenda adjustment*
- 4.4 Approve the "Certificate of the Total Amount from All Sources Available for Expenditures and Balances," and the FY2015 Appropriation as presented. These documents will be included as a part of the minutes.
- 4.5 Approve the Metropolitan Educational Council (MEC) membership for 2015. The cost is \$0.40 per student x 1,709 students = \$683.60

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Magers, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried.

2015-02-0015

- 6.1 Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce to Adopt a Section 125 Flexible Fringe Benefits Plan for the employees of the North Fork Local School District to be effective on July 1, 2015.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Magers, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried.

2015-02-0016

- 6.2 Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Cooperider to approve the following resolution:

**RATIFICATION OF THE
METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL
NATURAL GAS SALES PROGRAM AGREEMENT**

WITNESSES

WHEREAS, The Metropolitan Educational Council ("MEC"), an association of state funded, not for profit school districts and independent elementary and secondary schools, has completed an arrangement for a natural gas supply program with **Direct Energy Business Marketing, LLC d/b/a Direct Energy Business** ("Seller") for schools and school districts located in the **Columbia Gas** Service Area for the period of July 2015 through June 2017 with three possible one-year renewals; and

WHEREAS, North Fork LSD ("School Participant") is a member in good standing of the MEC; and

WHEREAS, the School Participant has reviewed the Natural Gas Sales and Service Agreement ("Agreement") attached hereto and incorporated as part of this ratification;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and the mutual covenants and other good and valuable consideration, School Participant agrees as follows:

1. School Participant hereby represents and warrants that it is a member in good standing of MEC; and
2. School Participant hereby ratifies, accepts and agrees to comply with and be bound by the Agreement as if its signature appeared on said Agreement; and
3. School Participant hereby authorizes MEC on an ongoing basis in accordance with the Agreement to make requests for fixed prices and to execute transaction confirmations for natural gas supplies, futures, options and hedges; and
4. School Participant and SELLER hereby acknowledge and agree that this Ratification of the Agreement shall not make or be construed to make the School Participant liable for the unpaid balance of any other past or present member of the MEC natural gas program; and
5. This Ratification shall obligate the School Participant to pay for any natural gas and/or natural gas transportation service the School Participant uses pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Agreement; and
6. School Participant and SELLER acknowledge that the Agreement attached hereto cannot be changed or otherwise modified without the express written approval of the MEC and ratification by the School Participant.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Magers, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried.

2015-02-0017

- 6.3 Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Cooperider to approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF COMPETITIVE RETAIL NATURAL GAS SERVICE FROM DIRECT ENERGY BUSINESS MARKETING, LLC, THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BID SUBMITTED TO METROPOLITAN EDUCATIONAL COUNCIL (MEC) – COMMENCING WITH THE JULY 2015 BILLING CYCLE AND TERMINATING NO SOONER THAN JUNE 2017, WITH POSSIBLE EXTENSIONS.

WHEREAS, the School District is a member of the *Metropolitan Educational Council* ("*Council*"), a body authorized by state statute to aggregate purchasing needs of schools and of related nonprofit educational entities so as to take advantage of economies of scale when purchasing essential products and services; and

WHEREAS, *Council* has conducted a Request for Proposal which was extended to all licensed competitive retail natural gas service providers in Ohio for supplying participating *Council* members; and

WHEREAS, *Council* has received several competitive offers from competitive retail natural gas suppliers which were in compliance with the Request for Proposal; and

WHEREAS, *Council* has selected the lowest responsible bid submitted in response to the

Request for Proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Master Supply Agreement which implements the winning bid for natural gas service selected from the RFP for the period commencing with the July 2015 billing cycle through June 2017 with possible extensions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NORTH FORK LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF KNOX AND LICKING COUNTIES, STATE OF OHIO, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Education of this School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee to execute the ratification of the Master Supply Agreement between the School District and Direct Energy Business Marketing, LLC for natural gas service commencing with the July 2015 billing cycle.

Section 2. This Board hereby directs the Treasurer to review the Master Supply Agreement and determine if the School District has sufficient funds to certify the this resolution.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Magers, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried.

2015-02-0018

6.4 Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Cooperider to accept a bid from Buckeye Bleacher Repair for the Utica High School Indoor Bleacher Replacement Project.

6.4a Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce to change the wording of 6.4 to include the cost of the project and to read:

Accept a bid from Buckeye Bleacher Repair for the Utica High School Indoor Bleacher Replacement Project at a cost of \$85,250 without the demolition or logo chairs.

6.4a Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Magers, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried.

6.4 Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Magers, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried

2015-02-0019

6.5 Mrs. Magers moved, seconded by Mr. Snow to declare an emergency and waive the bidding requirements and accept the proposal from Gandee and Associates for the Asbestos Consulting Services and Ceiling System Removal from the Utica Junior High fitness room for up to \$16,000.00.

Yea: Mrs. Magers, Mr. Snow, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

The president ruled the motion carried.

Superintendent's Report / Instructions:

- Determine a definite plan for the demolition of the bleachers
- Look at the possibilities of bringing back programs that have been cut in the past.
- Look at the school safety plan in the near future

Public comment was requested with the following responding:

None

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

Yea: Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Magers, Mr. Snow, Mrs. Stradley - 5.

Nay: -0.

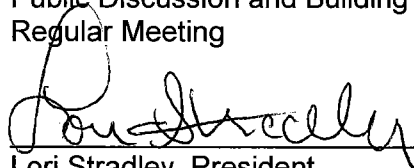
The president ruled the motion carried.

Time: 7:52 p.m.


Next Meeting: March 16, 2015

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

Time: 6:30 p.m. Public Discussion and Building Tour
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting



Lori Stradley, President



Tonya Mickley, Treasurer

