

# NORTH FORK LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA



Mrs. Farrah Cooperider, President  
Mr. Andy Hollenback, Vice President  
Mrs. Barbara Bruce, Member  
Dr. Robert Krueger, Member  
Mrs. Lori Stradley, Member

Mr. Scott Hartley, Superintendent  
Mrs. Kellie Breehl, Treasurer

Meeting Date: December 11, 2023  
Meeting Time: 6:00 p.m.

**Meeting Location:**  
Newton Elementary School  
6645 Mt. Vernon Road  
Newark, Ohio 43055

**0169.1 - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS**

The Board of Education recognizes the value to school governance of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest. The Board offers public participation to members of the public in accordance with the procedures below. The Board applies these procedures to all speakers, and does not discriminate based on the identity of the speaker, content of the speech, or viewpoint of the speaker.

The Board is also committed to conducting its meetings in a productive and efficient manner that assures that the regular agenda of the Board is completed in a reasonable period of time, honors the voluntary nature of the Board's time and using that time efficiently, and allows for a fair and adequate opportunity for input to be considered. Consequently, public participation at Board meetings will be governed by the following principle: In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board shall provide a period for public participation at all public meetings of the Board and publish rules to govern such participation in Board meetings.

The presiding officer of each Board meeting at which public participation is permitted shall administer the rules of the Board for its conduct.

The presiding officer shall be guided by the following rules:

- A. Public participation shall be permitted as indicated on the order of business.
- B. Anyone having a legitimate interest in the actions of the Board may participate during the public portion of a meeting.
- C. Participants must be recognized by the presiding officer and will be requested to preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address, and group affiliation, if and when appropriate.
- D. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to five (5) minutes duration, unless extended by the presiding officer.
- E. No participant may speak more than once on the same topic unless all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.
- F. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually.
- G. The presiding officer may:
  - 1. prohibit public comments that are frivolous, repetitive, and/or harassing;
  - 2. interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's statement when the statement is too lengthy, abusive, off-topic, obscene, or irrelevant;
  - 3. request any individual to leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum or is disruptive to the conduct of the meeting;
  - 4. request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the orderly progress of the meeting;
  - 5. call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action.

The portion of the meeting during which the participation of the public is invited shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes, unless extended by a vote of the Board.

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Revised 11/18/02  
Revised 5/17/10  
Revised 11/21/16  
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312 Maple Avenue, P.O. Box 497  
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Attn: Board of Education

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CALL TO ORDER

TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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ROLL CALL Bruce \_\_\_\_\_ Cooperider \_\_\_\_\_ Hollenback \_\_\_\_\_ Krueger \_\_\_\_\_ Stradley \_\_\_\_\_

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RECOGNITIONS

**Andrew Hollenback 4 Years of Service as a Board Member (Jan. 2020 – Dec. 2023)**

**Lori Stradley 2 Years of Service as a Board Member (Jan. 2022 – Dec. 2023)  
(10 Total Years of Service as a Board Member)**

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**REPORTS:**

1. Superintendent
  2. Treasurer
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**WORK SESSION**

NEOLA Additions/Revisions

Second Reading

5460 Graduation Requirements (Students)

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**HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

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**AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS**

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**OLD BUSINESS**

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**NEW BUSINESS**

- I. It is recommended that the Board waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the November 13, 2023, Special Meeting, and the November 20, 2023, Regular Meeting.**

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

Carried/Failed \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Bruce	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Hollenback	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Stradley	Y N A

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**II. It is recommended that the Board approve the following personnel actions:**

**Certified**

- 2.1 Approve the Licking Regional Educational Service Center Certificated Substitute List No. 7 for the 2023-2024 school year.

(Item 2A)

- 2.2 Approve Jennifer McKnight as a long-term substitute at Utica High School beginning January 2, 2024.

**Extra Service/Supplemental**

- 2.3 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>
Ashley Bauer	Wrestling Assistant Coach (Girls)	3	0

**Classified**

- 2.4 Approve the employment of David Piper in the position of Transportation driver, on a one-year limited contract effective January 2, 2024; compensation to be at Step 0 of the T-2 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.
- 2.5 Approve the employment of Kelly Fouts in the position of Food Service server on a one-year limited contract effective March 1, 2024; compensation to be at Step 2 of the F-1 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

**Administrative**

- 2.6 Accept a letter of resignation from Kellie Breehl, Treasurer, effective December 31, 2023, for the purpose of retirement.

(Item 2B)

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2.7 Approve the employment of Kellie Breehl as Treasurer effective January 1, 2024, through July 31, 2027.

**Non-Degree Substitutes**

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

Avree Hurtt      Joshua Scarberry

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

Carried/Failed \_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

Bruce	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Hollenback	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Stradley	Y	N	A

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**III. *Items pulled out for separate consideration.***

3.1 \_\_\_\_\_  
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Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

Carried/Failed \_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

Bruce	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Hollenback	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Stradley	Y	N	A

3.2 \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

Carried/Failed \_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

Bruce	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Hollenback	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Stradley	Y	N	A

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**IV. It is recommended that the Board approve the following financial actions:**

4.1 Approve the financial and reconciliation reports for the Month of November 2023.

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- 4.2 Approve bills as presented for November 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.

Motion _____	Second _____	Bruce	Y N A
		Cooperider	Y N A
Carried/Failed _____ to _____		Hollenback	Y N A
		Krueger	Y N A
		Stradley	Y N A

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**V. *Items pulled out for separate consideration.***

5.1 \_\_\_\_\_

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Motion _____	Second _____	Bruce	Y N A
		Cooperider	Y N A
Carried/Failed _____ to _____		Hollenback	Y N A
		Krueger	Y N A
		Stradley	Y N A

5.2 \_\_\_\_\_

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Motion _____	Second _____	Bruce	Y N A
		Cooperider	Y N A
Carried/Failed _____ to _____		Hollenback	Y N A
		Krueger	Y N A
		Stradley	Y N A

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**VI. **Other Board Action – It is recommended that the Board:****

- 6.1 Approve a trip to West Liberty University in West Virginia, for the Utica High School wrestling team on December 16, 2023.

Motion _____	Second _____	Bruce	Y N A
		Cooperider	Y N A
Carried/Failed _____ to _____		Hollenback	Y N A
		Krueger	Y N A
		Stradley	Y N A

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6.2 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 November 20, 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 \$437,000,000, an estimated average annual property tax levy of 7.10 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$249 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 preambles 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 May 1, 2024; shall have an estimated net average rate of interest of 5.15% 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 March 19, 2024. All of the territory of the School District is located in Licking and Knox Counties, Ohio.



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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 7.10 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$249 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor’s appraised value, commencing in 2024, first due in calendar year 2025, 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 December 12, 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.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken 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 Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_

Carried/Failed \_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_

Bruce	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Hollenback	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Stradley	Y	N	A

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6.3 Approve the adoption of the following policy revisions/additions/deletions:

5460 Graduation Requirements (Students)

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		Cooperider	Y	N	A
Carried/Failed ____ to ____		Hollenback	Y	N	A
		Krueger	Y	N	A
		Stradley	Y	N	A

6.4 Approve the Food Service Permanent Substitute position and the revised Food Service Worker/Permanent Substitute job description.

(Item 6A)

Motion_____	Second_____	Bruce	Y	N	A
		Cooperider	Y	N	A
Carried/Failed ____ to ____		Hollenback	Y	N	A
		Krueger	Y	N	A
		Stradley	Y	N	A

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Superintendent's Report / Instructions

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**VII. It is recommended that the meeting be adjourned.**

Motion_____	Second_____	Bruce	Y N A
		Cooperider	Y N A
Carried/Failed ____ to ____		Hollenback	Y N A
		Krueger	Y N A
		Stradley	Y N A

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Next Meeting: **January 8, 2024**

Location: Utica High School  
260 Jefferson St.  
Utica, Ohio 43080

Time: **6:00 p.m. (Organizational Meeting followed by Regular Meeting)**