

NORTH FORK LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA



Mrs. Farrah Cooperider, President
Dr. Robert Krueger, Vice President
Mrs. Jordan Atherton, Member
Mrs. Barbara Bruce, Member
Mrs. Debra Paxton, Member

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

Meeting Date: December 16, 2024
Meeting Time: 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location:
Newton Elementary School
6645 Mount 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 this bylaw.

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 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 designated public participation portion(s) of a meeting.
- C. Participants must first 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. During the portion of the meeting designated for public participation, 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. interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's session when they make comments that are repetitive, obscene, and/or comments that constitute a true threat (i.e., statements meant to frighten or intimidate one (1) or more specified persons into believing that they will be seriously harmed by the speaker or someone acting at the speaker's behest).
 2. request any individual to stop speaking and/or leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum or is disruptive to the conduct and/or orderly progress of the meeting;
 3. request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the conduct and/or orderly progress of the meeting;
 4. 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.

The Board may permit individuals to attend meetings remotely through live broadcast; however, public participation will be limited to those who are in attendance at the meeting site only. The Board is not responsible for any technology failures that prevent or disrupt any individual from attending remotely.

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Revised 11/18/02
Revised 5/17/10
Revised 11/21/16
Revised 10/15/18
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312 Maple Avenue, P.O. Box 497
Utica, Ohio 43080-0497

Attn: Board of Education

Please allow two to three weeks to answer your question.

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CALL TO ORDER

TIME: _____

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Atherton _____ Bruce _____ Cooperider _____ Krueger _____ Paxton _____

RECOGNITIONS

REPORTS:

1. Superintendent
 2. Treasurer
 3. Committees
 - Finance
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WORK SESSION

NEOLA Additions/Revisions

First Reading

2265 Protections of Individual Beliefs, Affiliations, Ideals, or Principles of Political Movements and Ideology (Program)

Second Reading - VOL. 43, NO. 1 POLICIES

0100 Definitions (Bylaws)
0142.1 Oath (Bylaws)
0151 Organizational Meeting (Bylaws)

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HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- I. It is recommended that the Board waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the November 18, 2024, Regular Meeting, and the November 19, 2024, Special Meeting.**

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed _____ to _____

Atherton	Y N A
Bruce	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

- 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 2024-2025 school year.
(Item 2A)

Extra Service/Supplemental

- 2.2 Accept a letter of resignation from Collin McCullough, baseball assistant coach, effective for the 2024-2025 school year.
(Item 2B)

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- 2.3 Approve the following teacher as a Home Instruction Tutor for the 2024-2025 school year. The Superintendent will approve the number of hours and effective dates as needed. Compensation will be at the Home Instruction Tutor's rate of the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.

Jessica Yancey

Non-Degree Substitutes

- 2.4 Approve the following as a non-degree substitute for the 2024-2025 school year pending proper certification and background checks:

Tyson McElroy

Motion _____ Second _____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y	N	A
Bruce	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Paxton	Y	N	A

III. *Items pulled out for separate consideration.*

3.1 _____

Motion _____ Second _____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y	N	A
Bruce	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Paxton	Y	N	A

3.2 _____

Motion _____ Second _____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y	N	A
Bruce	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Paxton	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 2024.
- 4.2 Approve bills as presented for November 2024 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 Legal Assistance Fund Consultant Service Contract with the Ohio School Boards Association for the period January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025. This is an ongoing service at the cost of \$250.00.
- 4.5 Approve the membership to the Ohio School Boards Association for the 2025 calendar year at an annual dues cost of \$6,392.00, the annual *School Management News* subscription (electronic) at a cost of \$150.00, and the annual *Virtual Transportation Supervisor* (VTS) subscription at a cost of \$300.00 for a total cost of \$6,842.00.

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y	N	A
Bruce	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Paxton	Y	N	A

V. Items pulled out for separate consideration.

5.1 _____

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y	N	A
Bruce	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Paxton	Y	N	A

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5.2

Motion_____	Second_____	Atherton	Y N A
		Bruce	Y N A
Carried/Failed _____ to _____		Cooperider	Y N A
		Krueger	Y N A
		Paxton	Y N A

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

6.1 Approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING CERTIFICATION
OF ALTERNATIVE TAX RATES FOR A RENEWAL INCOME TAX**

(Ohio Revised Code Section 5748.02)

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 5748.02 authorizes school districts to impose voter- approved income taxes upon their residents; and

WHEREAS, the School District is currently levying a 1.00% per annum income tax that was most recently renewed by the voters of the School District on May 4, 2021, for a three-year term for the purpose of providing for the current operating expenses of the School District (the "Existing Income Tax"), with the last year of collection of the Existing Income Tax being in 2028; and

WHEREAS, a resolution declaring the necessity to raise additional School District revenue must be passed and certified to the Tax Commissioner for the State of Ohio (the "Tax Commissioner") in order to permit the Board to consider the renewal of an income tax and to preserve the right to submit the question of levying such a renewal income tax to the electors of the School District at the election to be held on May 6, 2025;

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. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5748.02, the Board determines that it is necessary to raise annually the additional amount of \$2,961,512 (the "Specified Revenue Amount") by proposing the question at the election to be held on May 6, 2025 of renewing the Existing Income Tax on the school district income of individuals residing in the School District for the purpose of providing for the current operating expenses of the School District for three years (the "Income Tax").

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

Section 3. The Treasurer is directed to immediately certify a copy of this Resolution to the Tax Commissioner, not later than January 24, 2025, together with a request that the Tax Commissioner determine and certify to the Board (i) the property tax rate that would have had to be imposed by the School District in the current year to produce the Specified Revenue Amount and (ii) the income tax rate that would have had to have been in effect for the current year to produce an equivalent amount of money to the Specified Revenue Amount.

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Section 4. 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_____	Atherton	Y	N	A
		Bruce	Y	N	A
Carried/Failed _____ to _____		Cooperider	Y	N	A
		Krueger	Y	N	A
		Paxton	Y	N	A

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

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Cooperider	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Paxton	Y	N	A

Carried/Failed _____ to _____

- 6.3 Approve Hunter Finkes as a non-senior graduate providing that all requirements set forth by the North Fork Board of Education and the State Department of Education have been met.

Motion _____ Second _____

Atherton	Y	N	A
Bruce	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Paxton	Y	N	A

Carried/Failed _____ to _____

BOARD DISCUSSION

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- VII.** It is recommended that the Board go into Executive Session, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), for the purpose of discussing matters required to be kept confidential by Federal law or rules or State statutes. **No action will be taken after the executive session.**

Time: _____

Motion_____	Second_____	Atherton	Y	N	A
		Bruce	Y	N	A
Carried/Failed _____ to _____		Cooperider	Y	N	A
		Krueger	Y	N	A
		Paxton	Y	N	A

The Board will now return to open session.

Time: _____

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- VIII.** It is recommended that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion_____	Second_____	Atherton	Y	N	A
		Bruce	Y	N	A
Carried/Failed _____ to _____		Cooperider	Y	N	A
		Krueger	Y	N	A
		Paxton	Y	N	A

Time: _____

Next Meeting: January 13, 2025

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

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