

The North Fork Board of Education met for the purpose of **organization** on Monday, January 8, 2024, at Utica Senior High School, 260 Jefferson Street, Utica, OH 43080.

The 2023 Board President presided as President Pro Tempore at the Organizational Meeting until the 2024 Board President was elected.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Cooperider at 6:03 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Hartley.

The Administration of the "Oath of Office" was given by Mrs. Breehl, Treasurer, to newly elected board members, Mrs. Jordan Atherton and Mrs. Debra Paxton.

The following members were present: Mrs. Jordan Atherton, Mrs. Barbara Bruce, Mrs. Farrah Cooperider, Dr. Rob Krueger, and Mrs. Debra Paxton.

### **Election of Officers**

#### **2024-01-0001**

1.1 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, to elect Farrah Cooperider as Board President.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Paxton - 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

### **President Cooperider assumed the Chair.**

#### **2024-01-0002**

1.2 Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, to elect Dr. Rob Krueger as Board Vice President.

Yea: Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger - 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

### **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

Public comment was requested and the following responded:

- None

**2024-01-0003**

Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, to approve the following standing authorizations:

2.1 Advances on Tax Settlements

Authorize the Treasurer to secure advances from the County Auditors when funds are available and payable to the school district.

2.2 Investment of Interim Monies

Authorize the Treasurer to invest interim monies as per Board Policy 6144 at the most productive interest rate whenever funds are available.

2.3 Payment of Bills

Authorize the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriations resolution as they are received and when the merchandise has been received in good condition.

2.4 Employment of Treasurer's Office Personnel

Authorize the Treasurer to employ Personnel as needed. Any employment that exceeds 20 consecutive days in the same assignment is to be presented to the Board for approval at the next regular Board meeting.

2.5 Public Records Training

Authorize the Treasurer to attend public records training in lieu of the board members and serve as the public records designee.

2.6 Modifications to Appropriations and Transfers

Authorize the Treasurer to make modifications to appropriations and to make fund transfers or advances when necessary. A list of these changes is to be given to the board at the regular monthly meeting following the transfer or advance.

2.7 Blanket Purchase Order Maximum

Authorize the Treasurer to set the blanket purchase order maximum at \$25,000.00.

2.8 Service Fund

Authorize the establishment of a Service Fund in the amount of \$2.00 per student for a total of \$2,930.00 from the FY2025 appropriation #001-2310-410-001 to reimburse the Board members for necessary expenses incurred in carrying out their duties. For the purpose of establishing this Service Fund, the Board certifies the number of students to be 1,465.

2.9 Appointment of Purchasing Agent

Authorize the Superintendent to serve as the Purchasing Agent for the school district.

2.10 Employment of Personnel

Authorize the Superintendent to employ Personnel as needed. Any employment that exceeds 20 consecutive days in the same assignment is to be presented to the Board for approval at the next regular Board meeting.

2.11 Resignation of Personnel

Authorize the Superintendent, on behalf of the Board, to accept resignations which have been submitted by employees during times when this Board is not in session, subject to ratification by this Board; provided however, that upon ratification by this Board, such resignations shall be deemed effective as of the date and time of the Superintendent's acceptance.

2.12 Appointment of Federal Project Agent

Authorize the Superintendent to serve as Agent of Federal Projects.

2.13 Application for Funds and Grants

Authorize the Superintendent, or designee, to apply for appropriate local, state, and or federal funds and grants.

2.14 Tax Incentive Revenue Council

Appoint Scott Hartley, Superintendent, or his designee, to represent the North Fork Local School District as a member of the Tax Incentive Revenue Council (TIRC) for the 2023 calendar year.

2.15 Payments Over Contract Amounts

Authorize the Superintendent, or his designee, to approve payments over contract-specified amounts when overtime is necessary. The Board authorizes the Treasurer to make said payment above the contract amount for overtime that has been approved.

2.16 Accept Donations Authorize the Superintendent or Treasurer to accept all donations to the school district on behalf of the Board of Education.

2.17 Official Newspaper

The Board designates *The Mount Vernon News* as the Official Newspaper, pursuant to North Fork Local Board of Education Bylaw 0154.

2.18 Agenda, Meeting Notification Requests

Authorize those persons who are residents of the North Fork Local School District requesting copies of the schedule of meetings, agenda, or notice of individual meetings to receive such free of charge for the calendar year 2024. Individuals wishing to receive these communications must submit a written request annually.

2.19 Regular Meeting Dates, Times, and Locations

The Board establishes that it will meet each month at 6:00 p.m., unless otherwise noted, on the dates and at the locations listed on the following 2024 Board Meeting Calendar.

**January 08** (Second Monday)  
Organizational Meeting 6:00 p.m.  
followed by the Regular Meeting  
Utica Sr. High School\*  
260 Jefferson Street  
Utica, Ohio 43080

**January 22** (Fourth Monday)  
**Planning Meeting**  
**3:00 P.M.**  
Utica Sr. High - Rm. 106  
260 Jefferson Street  
Utica, Ohio 43080

**February 12** (Second Monday)  
Utica Middle School\*  
260 Jefferson Street  
Utica, Ohio 43080

**March 18**  
Utica Elementary School\*  
367 Church Street  
Utica, Ohio 43080

**April 15**  
Newton Elementary School\*  
6645 Mount Vernon Road  
Newark, Ohio 43055

**May 20**  
Utica Sr. High School\*  
260 Jefferson Street  
Utica, Ohio 43080

**June 24** (Fourth Monday)  
Utica Sr. High School  
260 Jefferson Street  
Utica, Ohio 43080

**July 15**  
Utica Elementary School  
367 Church Street  
Utica, Ohio 43080

**August 19**  
Utica Sr. High School\*  
260 Jefferson Street  
Utica, Ohio 43080

**September 16**  
Newton Elementary School\*  
6645 Mount Vernon Road  
Newark, Ohio 43055

**October 21**  
Utica Middle School\*  
260 Jefferson Street  
Utica, Ohio 43080

**November 18**  
Utica Elementary School\*  
367 Church Street  
Utica, Ohio 43080

**December 16**  
Newton Elementary School\*  
6645 Mount Vernon Road  
Newark, Ohio 43055

2.20 Finance Committee; Buildings and Grounds Committee; and Communications Committee Meeting Dates, Times, and Locations

Approve the following meeting dates for the Finance Committee; Buildings and Grounds Committee; and the Communications Committee.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

District Administrative Office, 312 Maple Avenue, Utica, Ohio 43080  
**5:00 p.m.**

Monday	March 11	Monday	August 19
Monday	May 13	Monday	November 11

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE**

**4:00 p.m.**

Monday	February 26 Utica Middle School	Monday	August 26 Newton Elementary School
Monday	April 22 Utica Senior High School	Monday	October 28 Utica Elementary School

**COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

Utica High School Conference Room, 260 Jefferson Street, Utica, Ohio 43080  
**2:45 p.m.**

Monday	March 11	Monday	August 19
Monday	May 13	Monday	November 11

2.21 Facility Use for North Fork SACC

Authorize facility use at Utica Elementary and Newton Elementary for North Fork SACC, at no charge to the provider, per AG7510B, Category 2: Community Groups Affiliated with the Schools.”

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger - 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

**2024-01-0004**

Dr. Krueger moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, to designate Mrs. Cooperider to serve as Legislative Liaison to the Ohio School Boards Association and appoints Mrs. Bruce as alternate.

Yea: Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Paxton - 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

**2024-01-0005**

Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, to designate Mrs. Cooperider to serve as Student Achievement Liaison to the Ohio School Boards Association for the calendar year 2024.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Paxton - 5

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

**2024-01-0006**

**Board Committee Appointments**

Per Board Policy By-Law 0155, the board appointed the following representatives to the following committees:

Buildings and Grounds Committee: Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Paxton

Communications Committee: Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Bruce

Finance Committee: Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Atherton

**HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

Public comment was requested and the following responded:

- None

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

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger - 5

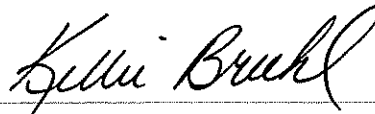
Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

Time: 6:09 p.m.



Farrah Cooperider, President



Kellie Breehl, Treasurer

