

The North Fork Board of Education met in **Regular** session on Monday, March 15, 2021, at Utica Elementary School, 367 Church Street, Utica, Ohio 43080.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Hartley.

The following members were present: Mrs. Farrah Cooperider, Mr. Andy Hollenback, Mrs. Deb Paxton, Mr. Bernard Snow.

## **RECOGNITIONS**

- Mr. Hartley recognized all staff for their efforts in keeping our school buildings open for students.

## **REPORTS:**

1. **Superintendent's** – Mr. Hartley  
Pleased with our district staff and parents for being able to keep students in the buildings through the first three grading periods; looking forward to closing out this year and preparing for the next.  
Virtual Board Leadership Institute in April
2. **Treasurer's** – Mrs. Breehl  
Forecast Review
3. **Committees**
  - Buildings and Grounds – Mr. Snow – Discussed the paving project, snow removal, building sensors. Next meeting is April 26 at Utica High School.
  - Communications Committee – Mrs. Paxton – Discussed remote learning, summer school, high school credit recovery.
4. **Legislative Update** – Mr. Hollenback – HB1 Fair School Funding Plan

## **WORK SESSION**

1. NEOLA Additions/Revisions

### **First Reading**

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| 1422 | Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (Administration)                          |
| 1623 | Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Administration) |
| 1662 | Anti-Harassment (Administration)   |
| 2260 | Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity (Program)                      |

- 3122 Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (Professional Staff)
- 3123 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Professional Staff)
- 3362 Anti-Harassment (Professional Staff)
- 4122 Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity (Classified Staff)
- 4123 Section 504/ADA Prohibition Against Disability Discrimination in Employment (Classified Staff)
- 4362 Anti-Harassment (Classified Staff)
- 5517 Anti-Harassment (Students)
- 6114 Cost Principles – Spending Federal Funds (Finances)
- 6325 Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds (Finances)
- 7450 Property Inventory (Property)
- 7455 Accounting System for **Capital Fixed** Assets (Property)

2. Athletic Discussion – Mr. Brian Radabaugh, Athletic Director, discussed changes to the athletic handbook; looking at possibly changing the transportation policy to include return transportation; we use a committee to hire head coaches when the number of applicants deems it necessary.

### **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

Public comment was requested and the following responded:

- Deb Paxton – Read letter regarding athletics
- Bethany Simon – Athletics

### **AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS**

- None

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **2021-03-0020**

Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the February 8, 2021, Regular Meeting.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback, - 4

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

**2021-03-0021**

Mr. Hollenback moved, seconded by Mr. Snow, that the Board approve the following personnel actions:

**Certified**

- 2.1 Approve the Licking County Educational Service Center Certificated Substitute List No. 9 for the 2020-2021 school year.
- 2.2 Accept a letter of resignation from Julie Davis, middle school science teacher, effective the end of the 2020-2021 school year, for the purpose of retirement.
- 2.3 Accept a letter of resignation from Alana Marietta, elementary teacher, effective the end of the 2020-2021 school year, for the purpose of retirement.

**Extra Service/Supplemental**

- 2.4 Amend the Cheerleader Advisor MS contract for Melissa Wray, approved August 12, 2020, from 50% to 100%. (Level 3, Step 0)
- 2.5 Amend the Baseball Assistant Coach contract for Tyler Wilson, approved October 19, 2020, from 50% to 100%. (Level 4, Step 4)
- 2.6 Approve the following supplemental positions for the 2020-2021 school year, pending proper certification and background check:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Step</u>
Tyler Rosshirt	Baseball Assistant Coach (50%)	4	0

**Classified**

- 2.7 Approve the following employees to be included on the Classified Substitute List for the 2020-2021 school year pending proper background checks:

Elizabeth Davis                      Shannon Hartman

Yea: Mr. Hollenback, Mr. Snow, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Paxton - 4

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

**2021-03-0022**

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

- 4.1 Approve the financial and reconciliation reports for the Month of February, 2021.
- 4.2 Approve bills as presented for February, 2021, 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. This list will be made a part of the minutes.
- 4.4 Approve the following appropriation modifications:

**Appropriation Modifications**

	<i>Original Appropriation</i>	<i>Increase/ Decrease</i>	<i>Total Appropriation</i>
<b><i>Title I Supplemental School Improvement (536)</i></b>		<b>- 32,500.00</b>	<b>32,500.00</b>

- 4.5 Approve the Purpose Statements and Budgets as presented.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mr. Paxton, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback - 4  
Nay: - 0  
The president ruled the motion carried.

**2021-03-0023**

- 6.1 Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mr. Hollenback, that the board approve the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

**AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF COMPETITIVE RETAIL ELECTRIC SERVICE FROM THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BID SUBMITTED FOR THE BILLING PERIOD COMMENCING WITH THE JULY 2022 BILLING CYCLE AND TERMINATING NO LATER THAN THE JUNE 2027 BILLING CYCLE.**

WHEREAS, the School District is a member of [META Solutions (f/k/a Metropolitan Educational Council)] (the “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, the Council is joining with other major school districts and educational purchasing councils to conduct a Request for Proposal for competitive retail electric service commencing with the July 2022 billing cycle and terminating no later than the close of the June 2027 billing cycle, with bids to be submitted for various periods and durations (the “RFP”);

WHEREAS, the RFP will seek a single, fixed-price for all energy charges, excluding capacity charges which shall be passed-through directly to the School District and also will seek alternative pricing for the pass-through of fees associated with the supplier’s cost of compliance with Ohio’s renewable portfolio standards (“RPS”);

WHEREAS, the RFP calls for an administrative fee of \$0.0003 per kilowatt-hour of electricity used which such fee shall be payable to the School District’s Council and shall be reflected in the CRES purchase price;

WHEREAS, the Council will send or has sent notices to bid on the School District’s electric load to all competitive retail electric service providers licensed to sell power in the state of Ohio and registered with the applicable electric distribution utility;

WHEREAS, the Council will select the lowest responsible bid submitted in response to the RFP, contemplated to be on or before May 1, 2021;

WHEREAS, this School District may review the lowest responsible bid and corresponding term and elect anytime up to the time period as set forth in the RFP, unless extended to a later date as may be allowed under the RFP, to accept the lowest responsible bid with no obligation prior to that time or thereafter if the School District does not sign a Master Supply Agreement with the selected bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent or the Superintendent’s designee will review the lowest responsible bid and corresponding term when the RFP is concluded and determine whether the lowest responsible bid provides for competitive retail electric service for all of the School District’s electric load that is the result of a public and competitive RFP.

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

Section 1. The Board of Education of this School District does hereby consent, as a member of the Council, to the conducting of an RFP process by the Council for competitive retail electric service commencing with the July 2022 billing cycle and terminating no later than the close of the June 2027 billing cycle, with bids to be submitted for various periods and durations on such terms and conditions as the Council deems appropriate.

Section 2. The Board of Education of this School District does hereby authorize the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee to execute a Master Supply Agreement to be prepared by the Council between the School District and the lowest responsible bidder in the RFP so long as the Superintendent or his appointee finds that the price reflects the results of a public and competitive RFP.

Section 3. The Board of Education hereby directs the Treasurer to review the lowest responsible bid once received and the Master Supply Agreement and determine if the School District has sufficient funds to certify this resolution and, if the Treasurer so finds, to certify this resolution.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mr. Hollenback, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Paxton - 4

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

#### **2021-03-0024**

6.2 Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, that the board approve the following coaching volunteers for the 2020-2021 school year:

Dakota Harper – Baseball Volunteer Coach  
Randall Whisner – Baseball Volunteer Coach  
Jeremy Yantes – Baseball Volunteer Coach  
Olivia Rodeniser – Softball Volunteer Coach  
Preston Johnston – Track Volunteer Coach

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback - 4

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

#### **2021-03-0025**

6.3 Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mr. Hollenback, that the board authorize the offering of a summer school program for Utica Middle School for students who do not meet the standards for promotion, as set forth in Board Policy 5410. Summer school will be offered only to North Fork Local School District students in grades 6, 7, and 8.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mr. Hollenback, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Paxton - 4

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

**2021-03-0026**

6.4 Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mr. Hollenback, that the board approve a renewal agreement with Frontline Solutions for Absence and Substitute Management for the 2021-2022 school year.

Yea: Mrs. Paxton, Mr. Hollenback, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Snow - 4

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

**2021-03-0027**

6.5 Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mr. Hollenback, that the board approve the Daikin Applied Assured Maintenance Annual Agreement for HVAC maintenance.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mr. Hollenback, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Paxton - 4

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

**2021-03-0028**

6.6 Mr. Hollenback moved, seconded by Mr. Snow, that the board approve the cloud server agreement with Jamf Pro.

Yea: Mr. Hollenback, Mr. Snow, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Paxton - 4

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

**2021-03-0029**

Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, that the Board go into Executive Session, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), to discuss matters required to be kept confidential by Federal law or rules or State statutes. No action was to be taken after the executive session.

Time: 6:52 p.m.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Cooperider, Mr. Hollenback - 4

Nay: - 0

The president ruled the motion carried.

**The Board returned to open session at 7:24 p.m.**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT/INSTRUCTION:**

- None

**HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

Public comment was requested and the following responded:

- Lori Stradley – Likes what she is hearing; will be issues; need to be supportive; be sure we have money to support programs.

Mr. Snow moved, seconded by Mr. Hollenback, that the meeting be adjourned.

Yea: Mr. Snow, Mr. Hollenback, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Paxton - 4

Nay: - 0

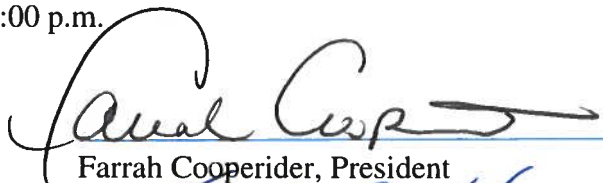
The president ruled the motion carried.

Time: 7:29 p.m.

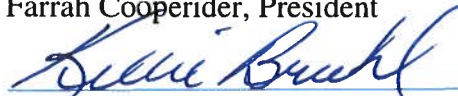
Next Meeting: April 19, 2021

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

Time: 6:00 p.m.



Farrah Cooperider, President



Kellie Breehl, Treasurer