

**NORTON BOARD OF EDUCATION – 15-25**  
**Regular Meeting of December 14, 2015**

President Bennett called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Panther Meeting Room and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Treasurer called the roll:

Mrs. Jennifer Bennett, President – Present  
Mr. Patrick Santelli, Vice President – Present  
Mr. Rob Knight, Member – Present  
Mr. Jason Sams, Member – Present  
Mrs. Cindy Webel, Member – Present

Also in attendance:  
Mr. David Dunn, Superintendent  
Mrs. Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/VISITORS/GUESTS**

Mrs. Olivieri – Cornerstone’s Hundred Year Celebration – Open House Saturday, January 30, 2016 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Mrs. Bennett presented Mr. Santelli with a plaque and thanked him for his service to Norton City Schools.

**STUDENT RECOGNITION**

**STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**

Primary – Liliana Smolinski  
Cornerstone – Hailey Kamp  
Grill – Lacie Dye  
Middle School – Ben Coughenour  
High School – Madison Vargo

The Board took a short recess to congratulate the students.

**15-269 Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

**Mr. Sams** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel**  
**NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0**

**BOARD BUSINESS**

**15-270 Mr. Sams** moved that the Board of Education approve Rob Knight as President Pro Tempore for the Organizational meeting January 2016.

**Mrs. Webel** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett**  
**NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0**

**15-271 Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education approve a Resolution submitting the question of an additional tax levy for the purpose of current expenses to the electors of the Norton City School District, pursuant to Section 5705.21 of the Revised Code.

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2015, this Board adopted a resolution, pursuant to Section 5705.03(B) of the Revised Code, declaring it necessary to levy an additional 2.9-mill tax levy for a continuing period of time and requesting the Summit County Fiscal Officer to certify the total current tax valuation of the School District and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by that levy; and

WHEREAS, the Summit County Fiscal Officer has certified that the total tax valuation of the District is \$280,374,600, and that the estimated property tax revenue to be produced by that 2.9-mill additional levy would be \$813,086 annually during the life of the levy, assuming the tax valuation remains constant throughout the life of the levy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Norton City School District, County of Summit, State of Ohio, two-thirds of all members of said Board elected thereto concurring, that:

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Section 1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the amount of taxes which may be raised by the Board of Education of the Norton City School District within the ten-mill limitation on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of this School District, and that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of such limitation for the purpose of current expenses in the amount of 2.9 mills for a continuing period of time.

Section 2. The question of an additional 2.9-mill tax levy for the purpose of current expenses for a continuing period of time, beginning with the tax list and duplicate for the year 2016, the proceeds of which levy first would be available to this Board in calendar year 2017, shall be submitted under the provisions of Section 5705.21 of the Revised Code to the electors of the Norton City School District at an election to be held therein on March 15, 2016, as authorized by law, and that election shall be held at the regular places of voting in this District as established by the Board of Elections of Summit County, or otherwise, within the times provided by law and shall be conducted, canvassed and certified in the manner provided by law.

Section 3. The form of the ballot to be cast at the election on the question of this tax levy shall be substantially as follows:

PROPOSED TAX LEVY  
NORTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.

An additional tax for the benefit of the Norton City School District for the purpose of current expenses at a rate not exceeding 2.9 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 29 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a continuing period of time, commencing in 2016, first due in calendar year 2017.

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Section 4. The Treasurer of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to give or cause to be given notice of said election as provided by law.

Section 5. The Treasurer is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution and deliver it and any and all other necessary documents to the Board of Elections of Summit County, Ohio, not later than the close of business on December 16, 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 those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 7. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

**Mr. Santelli** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight**  
**NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0**

**15-272 Mr. Sams** moved that the Board of Education approve a Resolution submitting the question of an additional tax levy for the purpose of providing for school safety and security to the electors of the Norton City School District, pursuant to Section 5705.21 of the Revised Code.

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2015, this Board adopted a resolution, pursuant to Section 5705.03(B) of the Revised Code, declaring it necessary to levy an additional 0.4-mill tax levy for five years and requesting the Summit County Fiscal Officer to certify the total current tax valuation of the School District and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by that levy; and

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WHEREAS, the Summit County Fiscal Officer has certified that the total tax valuation of the District is \$280,374,600, and that the estimated property tax revenue to be produced by that 0.4-mill additional levy would be \$112,150 annually during the life of the levy, assuming the tax valuation remains constant throughout the life of the levy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Norton City School District, County of Summit, State of Ohio, two-thirds of all members of said Board elected thereto concurring, that:

Section 1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the amount of taxes which may be raised by the Board of Education of the Norton City School District within the ten-mill limitation on the current tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of this School District, and that it is necessary to levy a tax in excess of such limitation for the purpose of providing for school safety and security in the amount of 0.4 mills for five years.

Section 2. The question of an additional 0.4-mill tax levy for the purpose of providing for school safety and security for five years, beginning with the tax list and duplicate for the year 2016, the proceeds of which levy first would be available to this Board in calendar year 2017, shall be submitted under the provisions of Section 5705.21 of the Revised Code to the electors of the Norton City School District at an election to be held therein on March 15, 2016, as authorized by law, and that election shall be held at the regular places of voting in this District as established by the Board of Elections of Summit County, or otherwise, within the times provided by law and shall be conducted, canvassed and certified in the manner provided by law.

Section 3. The form of the ballot to be cast at the election on the question of this tax levy shall be substantially as follows:

**PROPOSED TAX LEVY  
NORTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.

An additional tax for the benefit of the Norton City School District for the purpose of providing for school safety and security at a rate not exceeding 0.4 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 4 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for five years, commencing in 2016, first due in calendar year 2017.

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Section 4. The Treasurer of this Board is hereby authorized and directed to give or cause to be given notice of said election as provided by law.

Section 5. The Treasurer is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution and deliver it and any and all other necessary documents to the Board of Elections of Summit County, Ohio, not later than the close of business on December 16, 2015.

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Section 7. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

**Mr. Santelli** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Weber,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0**

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MINUTES

15-273 **Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2015.

**Mrs. Webel** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

15-274 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education approve the Special Session Meeting Minutes of December 7, 2015.

**Mr. Sams** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

WARRANTS

15-275 **Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education approve the warrants for November 2015.

**Mrs. Webel** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

15-276 **Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education approve the Financial Statement for November 2015.

**Mrs. Webel** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

PERSONNEL

APPROVE PERSONNEL

15-277 **Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve Personnel Retirement/Resignation/Leaves/Termination as follows:

Lauren Butcher, Middle School, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, FMLA paid and unpaid medical leave, effective February 16, 2016.

**Mr. Knight** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

15-278 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve Lori Hollendonner for District support in writing preschool student evaluations, on an as needed basis, at a rate of \$328/per day, effective October 10, 2015.

**Mr. Santelli** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

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APPROVE PERSONNEL – CLASSIFIED (Pending Background and License Check)

15-279 **Mr. Sams** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve Classified Personnel as follows:

Jennifer Lowe	Primary	Educational Assistant, effective November 23, 2015
Pamela Justus	High School	Educational Assistant I, effective November 23, 2015
Holly Sizemore	Cornerstone	Educational Assistant I, effective November 23, 2015

**Mr. Santelli** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Weibel  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

APPROVE SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL – CLASSIFIED (Pending Background and License Check)

15-280 **Mrs. Weibel** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve Substitute Personnel – Classified as follows:

Jamie Porter
Stephanie Hanshaw

**Mr. Santelli** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Weibel,Mrs.Bennett  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

APPROVE NON-CERTIFICATED/NON-LICENSED ASSISTANT COACH SUPPLEMENTAL

(Pending background check and permit check. All positions are subject to adequate participation)

15-281 **Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the Resolution for the non-certificated/non-licensed assistant coach supplemental positions for the 2015-2016 school year:

Nina Dzombic	Girls Basketball	Volunteer
Corey Tanksley	Wrestling, Middle School	Assistant Coach

**Mrs. Weibel** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Weibel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

15-282 **Mrs. Weibel** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the Graduate Credit Tuition Voucher, Ashland University for the following teacher:

Suzanne Hicks, Middle School, \$166 toward professional development/\$200 toward graduate credit.

**Mr. Knight** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Weibel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

15-283 **Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following supplemental position stipends:

Winter Guard	High School	5%
Percussion	High School	5%
Ski Club	Middle School	2%

**Mr. Knight** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Weibel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

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15-284 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following individuals for fall athletic services:

Lisa Bowen	Neva Gibson	Deb Rumble
Bettie Chapman	Kim Howe	Terry Sample
Natalie Cook	Paul Howe	Phil Scenes
Jackie Flechler	Kathy Kanis	Jessica Williams
Randy Forst		

**Mr. Knight** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

15-285 **Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following individuals for winter athletic services:

Casey Cascaldo	Logan Miller
Nina Dzombic	Brian Mountford
Jackie Flechler	Chrissy Robinson
Adam Gibson	Deb Rumble
Sydney Hagenbush	John Tanksley
Kim Howe	Jessica Williams
Paul Howe	Noah Zupancic
Kathy Kanis	

**Mr. Knight** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

15-286 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the updated facilities rental fees.

**Mr. Knight** seconded the motion.

Discussion: Who will be charged to use the facilities and field – concerns about charging groups that support the school, but do not want to incur additional costs to the district.

**Mr. Sams** moved that the Board of Education table the updated facilities rental fees.

**Mr. Knight** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

15-287 **Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following Norton Band Program Volunteers for the 2015-2016 school year:

Lee Gibson	Brass and Woodwind
Janet Becker	Woodwind
Cheri Runninger	Woodwind
Caroline Stillwell	Woodwind
Sam Mayes	Brass
Bernie Williams	Brass
Rob Ferguson	Percussion and Movement
Dan Eaken	Percussion
Christian Collins	Percussion
Josh Mitchell	Percussion
Kirsten Shatzer	Colorguard
Kristen Mitzel	Colorguard
Tim Longfellow	Jazz and electronics

**Mrs. Webel** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

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15-288 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the agreement between Norton City Schools and Navigate Safety Software.

**Mr. Santelli** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli  
NAYS: None – Motion carries 5-0

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Dunn – end of year 2015 – It was a good year for Norton City Schools – great student achievements and the opening of a new stadium – thanks to everyone for making it a great year.

Mrs. Hagenbush – Merry Christmas

Mrs. Herchik – Thanks Mr. Santelli for your support and Merry Christmas

Mr. Morris – Best wishes to Mr. Santelli and Merry Christmas

Mr. Carmany – Thanks Mr. Santelli and Happy Holidays

Mr. Knight – Merry Christmas and have a safe New Year

Mr. Sams – Thanks to everyone this year – work together for the betterment of the schools – thanks for picking students for shop with a cop – Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays

Mrs. Webel – Mr. Santelli is a worker and is not going anywhere. Merry Christmas

Mr. Santelli – Being on the Board was a learning experience for 2 years – wish Mr. Sams and Mr. Knight success in their 3<sup>rd</sup> year – Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. Webel good luck – lots of cooperation to move forward – good luck Mr. Ule – Thank you – not going anywhere.

Mrs. Bennett – Middle School organized wreath laying ceremony. Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and Happy New Year.

**ADJOURNMENT**

15-289 **Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:21 p.m.

**Mrs. Webel** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel  
NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0

“Notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the provisions of Policy and Regulations of the Board of Education which was adopted in accordance with §121.11 of the Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Administrative Procedures Act.”

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**Jennifer Bennett, Board President**

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**Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer**