

NORTON BOARD OF EDUCATION – 13-15
Regular Meeting of July 15, 2013

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

Mrs. Cindy Webel, President – Present
Mrs. Jennifer Bennett, Vice President – Present
Mr. Jim Bennett, Member – Present
Mrs. Diane Farmer, Member – Present
Mr. Patrick Santelli, Member – Present

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

BOARD BUSINESS

13-144 Mr. Santelli moved that the Board of Education approve the following Resolution regarding the purchase of real estate:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves contracts presented by legal counsel for the purchase of real estate indentified as follows:

3806 South Cleveland-Massillon Rd., Norton, OH 44203

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President, Superintendent, and the Treasurer are authorized to execute the contracts and such further instruments as are required to complete the purchase of the above identified real estate.

Mrs. Farmer seconded the motion.

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

13-145 Mrs. Farmer moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution determining to proceed with the submission of the question of the issuance of school improvement bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$22,800,000 to the electors of the Norton City School.

WHEREAS, this School District is proceeding forward with a segmented classroom facilities improvement project in conjunction with the Ohio School Facilities Commission (the Commission), basically, a new high school to house grades 9 through 12 and Career Tech (the OSFC Project), as a “lapsed school district” under the Commission’s Classroom Facilities Assistance Program and Chapter 3318 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2013, the Commission made a “Determination of Conditional Approval Renewal for a Lapsed School District”, with State Controlling Board approval and certification of State funds to come after the District secures its local share of the basic project cost of the OSFC Project and satisfies the attendant maintenance requirement; and

WHEREAS, the basic project cost of the OSFC Project has been determined to be \$32,068,261, of which the State’s portion is \$16,354,813 and the School District’s portion is \$15,713,448 (the Local Share); and

WHEREAS, this Board has determined to supplement the OSFC Project by constructing, furnishing, equipping, adding to, renovating, remodeling, rehabilitating, and improving School District buildings and facilities, and acquiring, clearing, improving and equipping real estate for school purposes (the Locally Funded Initiatives, or LFIs), with the amount of those LFIs being \$7,086,552; and

WHEREAS, this Board has determined that the School District is unable to provide adequate classroom facilities without assistance from the State, and thus is seeking to raise its portion of the basic project cost through the issuance of voter-approved securities; and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2013, for the aforesaid reasons, and pursuant to Section 133.18 of the Revised Code, this Board adopted a resolution (No. 13-120) declaring the necessity of submitting to the electors of this School District the question of the issuance of bonds (the Bonds) in the aggregate principal amount of \$22,800,000 (in order to provide funds that are intended to pay the Local Share of the basic project cost of the OSFC Project and the LFIs) and the levying of a tax to provide for the payment of the debt charges on the Bonds and any anticipatory securities at an election to be held in the School District on November 5, 2013, a copy of which resolution was certified to the Summit County Fiscal Officer; and

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WHEREAS, the Summit County Fiscal Officer subsequently certified to this Board that the total tax valuation of the School District is \$283,187,050 and the estimated average annual property tax levy throughout the stated maximum maturity of the Bonds that would be required to pay the interest thereon and retire the principal thereof over 36 years is 3.89 mills for each one dollar of tax valuation, which amounts to 38.9 cents for each one hundred dollars of tax valuation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Norton City School District, County of Summit, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. After reviewing the certifications of the Summit County Fiscal Officer described in the preambles hereto, this Board determines to proceed with submitting to the electors pursuant to Section 133.18 of the Revised Code, at an election to be held on November 5, 2013, the question of issuing Bonds in the amount of \$22,800,000 for the purpose of constructing, furnishing, equipping, adding to, renovating, remodeling, rehabilitating, and improving School District buildings and facilities, and acquiring, clearing, improving and equipping real estate for school purposes, and levying a tax to pay the debt charges on the Bonds and on any notes issued in anticipation of the Bonds. The average annual property tax levy required to pay those debt charges has been estimated by the County Fiscal Officer to be 3.89 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 38.9 cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, and this Board estimates that the tax for debt charges will first be levied in 2013 and first be collected in calendar year 2014.

Section 2. The Treasurer of this Board is authorized and directed to certify to the Summit County Board of Elections not later than the close of business on Wednesday, August 7, 2013: (i) a copy of the resolution adopted by this Board on June 17, 2013, declaring the necessity of the bond issue and providing for the principal of the Bonds to be paid over a maximum of 36 years, which number of years is hereby certified to the Board of Elections; (ii) the certifications of the County Fiscal Officer as to the total tax valuation of the School District and the estimated average annual property tax levy; and (iii) a copy of this resolution. This Board hereby requests that the Board of Elections give notice of the election and prepare the necessary ballots and supplies for the election in accordance with law.

Section 3. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken, and all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 4. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Mr. Bennett seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr. Bennett, Mrs. Farmer, Mr. Santelli, Mrs. Webel, Mrs. Bennett

NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

13-146 **Mr. Santelli** moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution authorizing the reallocation of a 0.2-mill portion of the school district's 5.9-mill share of "inside Millage" to a permanent improvement fund commencing in tax year 2013/collection year 2014.

WHEREAS, under Section 5705.02 of the Revised Code, the aggregate amount of taxes that may be levied without a vote of the electors on any taxable property in any one year is not to exceed ten mills on each dollar of tax valuation (the "Ten-Mill Limitation", and, unvoted tax levies within the Ten-Mill Limitation, "Inside Millage"); and

WHEREAS, the School District is currently levying 5.9 mills of Inside Millage; and

WHEREAS, under Sections 5705.03(A) and 5705.06(A) of the Revised Code, a board of education is required to levy Inside Millage first for debt charges on its unvoted general obligation debt (to the extent they are not to be provided for from another source) and to cause amounts received from that levy to be paid into its bond retirement fund, and any remaining portion of a board's share of Inside Millage may be allocated to its general fund and used to pay current operating expenses or to a permanent improvement fund for the purpose of acquiring or constructing assets that have an estimated life or period of usefulness of five years or longer; and

WHEREAS, currently, all of the School District's Inside Millage is allocated to pay current operating expenses; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to reallocate a 0.2-mill portion of the School District's 5.9-mill share of Inside Millage to a permanent improvement fund for necessary permanent improvements commencing in tax year 2013/collection year 2014; and

WHEREAS, the School District's estimated tax budget for tax year 2013/collection year 2014 properly shows a need for that portion of the School District's Inside Millage to be directed to a permanent improvement fund commencing in tax year 2013/collection year 2014;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Norton City School District, Summit County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. This Board finds and determines that it is necessary to reallocate a 0.2-mill portion of the School District's 5.9-mill share of Inside Millage to a permanent improvement fund for necessary permanent improvements commencing in tax year 2013/collection year 2014.

Section 2. This Board hereby requests the Summit County Fiscal Officer to reallocate a 0.2-mill portion of the School District's 5.9-mill share of Inside Millage to a permanent improvement fund for necessary permanent improvements commencing in tax year 2013/collection year 2014.

Section 3. It is the Board's intention that the aforesaid 0.2 mills (or such lesser amount as may be required by law and the Ohio School Facilities Commission), upon being reallocated to necessary permanent improvements, will be earmarked for the maintenance of classroom facilities that are a part of the proposed project being pursued in conjunction with the Commission, assuming passage of a related bond issue in November 2013.

Section 4. The Treasurer is directed to deliver or cause to be delivered a certified copy of this Resolution to the Summit County Fiscal Officer.

Section 5. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 6. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Mrs. Bennett seconded the motion.

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

MINUTES

13-147 Mr. Bennett moved that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 17, 2013.

Mr. Santelli seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr. Santelli, Mrs. Webel, Mrs. Bennett, Mr. Bennett
NAYS: None - Motion Carries - 4-0-1
ABSTAIN: Mrs. Farmer

13-148 Mrs. Farmer moved that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of June 27, 2013.

Mr. Santelli seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs. Webel, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Farmer, Mr. Santelli
NAYS: None - Motion Carries - 4-0-1
ABSTAIN: Mr. Bennett

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

PERSONNEL

13-149 Mr. Bennett moved approve that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following Retirement/Resignation/Leaves/Terminations:

Steve Watkins	Middle School	8 th Grade Math	Resignation	Effective July 31, 2013	
Steve Watkins	Middle School	Cross Country Coach	Resignation	Effective June 24, 2013	
Sharon Herchik	Administration	Curriculum Director	Retirement	Effective June 30, 2013	Pending Rehire

Mrs. Farmer seconded the motion.

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

APPROVE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT

13-150 Mr. Bennett moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve Sharon Herchik, Rehire, Curriculum Director, effective August 1, 2013 through July 31, 2016.

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13-150 cont. Mrs. Bennett seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Weber,Mrs.Bennett
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

EXTENDED DAYS

13-151 Mrs. Farmer moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve ten (10) extended days for Ashley Vargo, Psychologist, prior to August 1, 2013.

Mr. Santelli seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Farmer,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Weber,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Bennett
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

APPROVE CONTINUING CONTRACTS, CERTIFIED STAFF

13-152 Mrs. Bennett moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following Continuing Contracts for Certified Staff:

Lauren Butcher
Shelley Christoff

Mr. Bennett seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Weber,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

APPROVE PERSONNEL – CERTIFIED (PENDING BACKGROUND AND LICENSE CHECK)

13-153 Mrs. Farmer moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following Certified Personnel effective August 21, 2013 (pending background and license check):

Kevin Aurand	Middle School	S.T.E.M. Program	One Year Limited
Mindy Bober	Middle School	Language Arts	One Year Limited
Brittany Bruce	Middle School	ED Teacher	One Year Limited
Kimberly Bryant	Primary Elementary	1 ST Grade	One Year Limited
Martin Davis	Middle School	Math	One Year Limited
Heather Waun	Grill Elementary	3 rd Grade	One Year Limited
Megan Wickline	Middle School	Math	One Year Limited
Gennifer Yaggi	Grill Elementary	Kindergarten	One Year Limited

Mrs. Bennett seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Weber,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mr.Santelli
NAYS: None – Motion Carries – 5-0

CONSENT AGENDA

13-154 Mrs. Bennett moved that the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following Consent Agenda:

Approve the contract with Orientation and Mobility Services for the 2013-2014 school year.

Approve the stipend for mentoring student teachers, paid from funds provided by the University of Akron for Spring 2013 as follows:

Laura Mattle	\$160	Cindy Camilletti	\$160
Jenna Mitchell	\$160	Tracey Campian	\$160
Dawn Thompson	\$160	Dave Weber	\$240
Kelly Hooper	\$160	Alison Blake	\$160
Sharlene Stouffer	\$160	Suzanne Hicks	\$320
Jamie Grabski	\$160	Stacy Tassone	\$160
Sarah Zetts	\$160	Jana Luscher	\$240
Alice Hodges	\$160	Tom Chiera	\$160
Amy Panchumarti	\$160		

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13-154 cont. Correct the May 20, 2013 minutes, motion 13-113 from Joanne Chapman to read Jillian Chapman, Girls High School, Soccer Coach.

Mr. Bennett seconded the motion.

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

ADJOURNMENT

13-155 **Mrs. Bennett** moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Mr. Santelli seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Bennett,Mrs.Farmer,Mr.Santelli,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett
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.”

Cindy Webel, Board President

Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer