

**NORTON BOARD OF EDUCATION- 16-15**  
**Special Session of August 8, 2016**

President Sams called the Special Session to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Norton High School Panther Room and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Treasurer called the roll:

Mr. Jason Sams, President – Present  
Mr. Rob Knight, Vice President – Present  
Mrs. Jennifer Bennett, Member – Present  
Mr. Louis Ule, Member – Present  
Mrs. Cindy Webel, Member – Absent  
Also present were:  
Mr. David Dunn, Superintendent  
Mrs. Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/VISITORS/GUESTS**

None

**ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Mrs. Bennett – Requested item *IV Board Business item B, Discuss District Property*, take place at a meeting involving the entire Board. It is not appropriate to discuss without all Board members present. Discussion concerning meeting dates and importance of discussing district property. There was not a consensus to remove the item.

**16-118 Mr. Knight** moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

**Mr. Sams** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Ule**  
**NAYS: Mrs.Bennett**  
**ABSENT: Mrs.Weibel - Motion Carries 3-1-1**

**BOARD BUSINESS**

**16-119 Mr. Knight** moved that the Board of Education approve the 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 July 25, 2016, this Board adopted a resolution, pursuant to Section 5705.03(B) of the Revised Code, declaring it necessary to levy an additional 1.9-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, thereafter, the Summit County Fiscal Officer 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 1.9-mill additional levy would be \$532,712 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 current expenses in the amount of 1.9 mills for a continuing period of time.

Section 2. The question of an additional 1.9-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 November 8, 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 1.9 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to 19 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 August 10, 2016.

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. Ule** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams,Mr.Ule,Mrs.Bennett**  
**NAYS: None**  
**ABSENT: Mrs.Weibel - Motion Carries 4-0-1**

**DISCUSS DISTRICT PROPERTY**

Preliminary discussion – never do without all five Board Members – need to move forward with decision.

Mr. Dunn – Looking at options for bus garage.

Mr. Carmany – Estimate \$150,000 to reconnect Administration Building and bus garage after Cornerstone comes down – part of master plan. OSFC pay 51% of reconnection.

Mrs. Bennett – concerned with public being closer to students.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Operations** – No meeting – proposal for Field House and costs for Middle School renovations.

**Finance** – No meeting

**Policy** – Meeting Monday, August 15, 2016

**Community Engagement** – No meeting

**Technology & Instruction** – No meeting – meet within a couple of weeks – Mr. Wright will be at a the September Committee of the Whole Meeting to discuss the Compact.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

**APPROVE PERSONNEL**

**RETIREMENT/RESIGNATIONS/LEAVES/TERMINATION**

**16-120 Mr. Knight** moved that the Board of Education approve the following retirement, resignations, leaves and terminations:

Debra Rumble, Norton High School, Health Teacher, Resignation, effective July 28, 2016.

Meghann George, Norton Middle School, Intervention Specialist, Resignation, effective August 11, 2016.

Joel Simpson, Norton Middle School, Science Teacher, Resignation, effective August 15, 2016.

Brian Mountford, Norton High School, Academic Tutor, Resignation effective August 11, 2016.

**Mr. Ule** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Sams,Mr.Ule,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight**  
**NAYS: None**  
**ABSENT: Mrs.Weibel - Motion Carries 4-0-1**

**CERTIFIED PERSONNEL** (Pending Background and License Check)

**16-121 Mrs. Bennett** moved that the Board of Education approve the following Certified Personnel, 1 year Limited Contracts:

Leslie Flohr, Grill Elementary, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher, effective August 15, 2016.  
Stephen Seifert, High School, Science Teacher, effective August 15, 2016. (Effective date correction)  
James Cercek, High School, Science Teacher, effective August 15, 2016. (Effective date correction)  
Barbara Wert, Cornerstone/Primary, Art Teacher, effective August 15, 2016. (Effective date correction)

**Mr. Knight** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Ule,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Knight,Mr.Sams**  
**NAYS: None**  
**ABSENT: Mrs.Weibel - Motion Carries 4-0-1**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**16-122 Mr. Knight** moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Special Session at 6:34 p.m.

**Mr. Ule** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL:**

“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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Jason Sams, President

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Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer