

## **NORTON BOARD OF EDUCATION – 23-5**

### **Regular Meeting of February 13, 2023**

President Bennett called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School Panther Room and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Treasurer called the roll:

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Bennett – Present  
Mr. Burch – Present  
Mrs. Staats – Present  
Mr. Ule – Present  
Mrs. Webel – Present

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mr. Bryan Farson, Superintendent  
Mrs. Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer

#### **BOARD REPORT**

Norton Primary – Preschool and Kindergarten had 8 week social emotional classes (Grant), meet with MOPS.

Norton Elementary – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Literacy Night (Women’s Club donated books). Parent/Teacher Conferences are on March 9, 2023.

Norton Middle – See Something, Say Something. Dance February 17, 2023. Wrestling won the MAC Tournament and one Wrestler qualified for States. Scheduling for High School. Drama February 17, 2023.

Norton High – February 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Train CPR and AED for Sophomores. February 28, 2023 Free ACT Testing. February 23, 2023 NTHS Induction in Wadsworth, the largest in 20 years.

#### **TREASURER REPORT**

Security cameras and servers installed.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Fashion Show

#### **STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**

Primary – Geneva “Evey” Price  
Norton Elementary – Alena Zaragoza-Castillo  
Middle School – Clesson Watson  
High School – Matthew Blankenship  
HS Compact – Michael Wearley

The Board called for a short recess to congratulate the students of the month.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/VISITORS/GUESTS**

None.

#### **ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

**23-28 Mrs. Staats** moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

**Mr. Ule** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: AYES:** Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Burch,Mrs.Staats,Mr.Ule,Mrs.Webel  
**NAYS:** None – Motion Carries 5-0

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**BOARD BUSINESS**

- 23-29 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education approve the Ohio Schools Governance Policy Change Resolution.

**Mr. Ule** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Burch, Mrs.Staats,Mr.Ule,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett  
NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0

- 23-30 **Mrs. Staats** moved that the Board of Education approve the endorsement of the following clubs:

Panther Parent Athletic Booster Club (PPABC)  
Norton Music Boosters Association, Inc.  
Parent Advisory Committee (P.A.C.)

**Mr. Burch** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Staats,Mr.Ule,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Burch  
NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

COMMITTEE	CHAIR	MEMBER
Community Engagement	Elisa Staats	Jennifer Bennett
Finance	Cindy Webel	Louis Ule
Instruction & Technology	Jennifer Bennett	Elisa Staats
Operations	Louis Ule	Patrick Burch
Policy	Patrick Burch	Cindy Webel

**MINUTES**

- 23-31 **Mr. Ule** moved that the Board of Education approve the following Board Meeting Minutes:

Special Session Minutes of January 9, 2023  
Work Session Minutes of January 9, 2023  
Regular Minutes of January 9, 2023

**Mrs. Webel** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Ule,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Burch,Mrs.Staats  
NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0

**TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

**WARRANTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

- 23-32 **Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Treasurer approve the following:

Warrants for January 2023.  
Financial Statement January 2023.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY FISCAL OFFICER

*WHEREAS, The Fiscal Officer of the Board Of Education has provided the Alternative Tax Budget, for the next succeeding fiscal year commencing July 1, 2023: and  
WHEREAS, The Budget Commission of Summit County, Ohio, has certified its action together with an estimate by the County Fiscal Officer of the rate of each tax necessary to be levied by this Board, and what part thereof is without, and what part within the ten mill tax limitation;  
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Education of the Norton City School District, Summit County, Ohio, that the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission in its certification, be and the same are hereby accepted;*

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there be and is hereby levied on the tax duplicate of said School District the rate of each tax necessary to be levied within and without the ten mill limitations as follows:

SCHEDULE A				
SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS REQUIRED FOR GENERAL PROPERTY TAX APPROVED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND COUNTY AUDITOR'S ESTIMATED TAX RATES				
FUND	Amounts to be Derived from Levies Outside 10 M.  Limitation	Amounts Approved by Budget Commission  Inside 10 M.  Limitation	County Auditor's Estimate of Tax Rate to be Levied	
			Inside	Outside
			10 M. Limit	10 M. Limit
Sinking Fund				
Bond Retirement Fund	1,095,157			2.94
General Fund	8,285,767	2,123,262	5.70	51.00
Library Fund				
For Permanent Improvement	745,614	74,501	0.20	3.00
State				
<b>TOTAL</b>	10,126,538	2,197,763	5.90	56.94

SCHEDULE B			
LEVIES OUTSIDE MILL LIMITATION, EXCLUSIVE OF DEBT LEVIES			
FUND		Maximum Rate Authorize d to Be Levied	County Auditor's Est. of Yield of Levy (Carry to Schedule A, Column II)
<b>GENERAL FUND:</b>			
Current expense levy authorized by voters on 76 & Prior			
length : continuing		25.60	2,853,950
Current expense levy authorized by voters on 8/5/86			
length : continuing		7.00	1,150,340
Current expense levy authorized by voters on 2/5/91			
length : continuing		5.60	1,089,238
Current expense levy authorized by voters on 2/7/95			
length : continuing		7.90	1,719,016
Current Expense levy authorized by voters on 11/2/04			
length : continuing		4.90	1,473,223
Current expense levy authorized by voters on 11/6/12			
length : continuing		0.00	-
<b>OTHER:</b>			
Perm. Imp. FUND: Levy authorized by voters on 5/7/02			
renewed 11/2/21 for 5 years		3.00	745,614
<b>TOTAL OUTSIDE 10M LIMIT LESS BOND RETIREMENT</b>		54.00	9,031,381

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer of this Board be, and is hereby directed to certify a copy of this Resolution to the Fiscal Officer of said County.

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Permanent Appropriation Resolution FY23

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>
001	General	\$ 30,290,323.87
002	Bond Retirement	\$ 1,842,381.94
003	Permanent Improv.	\$ 1,184,442.51
004	Building Fund	\$ -
006	Food Service	\$ 1,663,195.36
007	Trust Fund	\$ 66,574.85
009	Uniform Supplies	\$ 152,856.64
012	Adult Education	\$ -
018	Pub. School Support	\$ 161,123.55
019	Other Grants	\$ 61,714.61
022	Agency Fund	\$ 10,000.00
023	Self-Insurance	\$ 83,130.29
024	Employee Benefit	\$ 3,940,586.98
031	Ins. Un/Storage	\$ 11,000.00
034	Maint Fund	\$ 104,010.95
200	Student Act.	\$ 168,100.88
300	Athletics	\$ 193,264.76
451	One Net	\$ 7,200.00
467	Student Wellness & Success	\$ 81,442.06
499	Misc. State Grants	\$ 99,390.55
507	ESSER	\$ 1,746,098.94
510	CRF - Rural & Small Town	\$ -
516	Title VI-B	\$ 517,447.88
572	Title I	\$ 248,543.04
584	Title IV	\$ 16,241.68
587	Preschool Grant	\$ 10,374.57
590	Title II A	\$ 43,032.48
599	Misc Fed Grants	\$ 200,000.00

**Mr. Burch** seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Weber,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Burch,Mrs.Staats,Mr.Ule**  
**NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PERSONNEL**

- 23-33 Mr. Burch** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following:

Classified:

Paul Hooker	Middle School	Head Custodian	December 19, 2022
Logan Bechdel	Transportation	2 <sup>nd</sup> Shift Mechanic	January 23, 2023
Brad Stoll	Elementary	Custodian	January 30, 2023

**Mr. Ule** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Burch,Mrs.Staats,Mr.Ule,Mrs.Webel  
NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0

- 23-34 Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following:

Retirements, Resignations, Leaves, Terminations:

Resignation	Paul Hooker	Middle School	Head Custodian	January 26, 2023
Retirement	Charles Fowler	Middle School	Art Teacher	June 30, 2023

**Mr. Ule** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Burch, Mrs.Staats,Mr.Ule,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett  
NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0

**SUBSTITUTE PERSONNEL**

- 23-35 Mr. Burch** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following Substitute Personnel (pending background check and permit):

<b>CERTIFIED SUBSTITUTES</b>
Jamie Fike
Reanna Lovsey
Scott Davis
Laura Walker

**Mr. Ule** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Staats,Mr.Ule,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Burch  
NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0

**STIPENDS AND SUPPLEMENTALS**

- 23-36 Mrs. Webel** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the following:

Resolution for the non-certified/non-licensed coach supplemental positions for the 2023/2024  
School year: (pending background check and permit check. All positions are subject to adequate participation)

Mitch Grubb	High School	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Coach	Boys Basketball	To be paid additional 6.9%
Blake Gabriel	High School	Varsity Assistant Coach	Boys Basketball	To be paid additional 6.9%

**Mr. Ule** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Ule,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Burch,Mrs.Staats  
NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- 23-37 Mr. Ule** moved that the Board of Education upon recommendation of the Superintendent approve the Following Consent Agenda:

**Athletics**

Norton Board of Education Resolution authorizing membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) for the 2023/2024 school year.

Overnight trip for Boys Basketball, grades 9-12, to be held January 15, 2023 through January 16, 2023 in Indianapolis, Indiana, at no cost to player/district.

**Curriculum**

Book Title, Catching Fire, 2009 By Suzanne Collins, ISBN 13-978-08545586177, to be used in the ELA III Resource Room.

High School Curriculum Guide for the 2023-2024 school year.

**Other**

Contract between Norton City Schools and NEOnet for Cisco 9120 Wireless Access Points for the High School.

Agreement between Norton City Schools and Northeast Ohio Education Service Center, for the 2022/2023 school year.

Agreement between Assist Services, LLC and Norton City Schools, for the 2023 school year.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the University of Akron and Norton City Schools, for the 2023/2024 school year.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Stark State College and Norton City Schools, for the 2023/2024 school year.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Kent State University and Norton City Schools, for the 2023/2024 school year.

Resolution of Intent to participate in the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission (OFCC) Expedited Local Partnership Program.

Contract between Norton City Schools and LLA Therapy, ESY Services for 2023.

Overnight trip, Speech and Debate State Final, Austintown Fitch, Youngstown, Ohio, March 3, 2023 through March 4, 2023.

Approve the following job descriptions:

Custodian
Head Custodian
Secretary/ Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent
Administrative Secretary/Accounts Payable
Administrative Secretary/ Financial Secretary Treasurer's Office
Transportation Supervisor
Administrative Assistant/Receptionist for Director of Curriculum and Coordinator of Technology
Literacy Tutor

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Assistant Treasurer
Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Contract between Norton City Schools and FP Mailing Solutions for the postage meter.

Contract between Norton City Schools and Automation Mailing and Shipping Solutions for the rental of the postage machine.

**Donations**

Donation of wheel chair, head and leg supports, communication device, and other miscellaneous equipment, to be used by Speech, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapists to assist our special education students. Donated by Ondrej and Katrina Sudicki, approximate value unknown.

Monetary donation of \$250, to be used at Norton Elementary School for lunches. Donated by Jennie Badalamenti.

Donation of hats, scarfs, and neck warmers to be used by any school where needed. Donated by Wadsworth Senior Sewing Club, approximate value unknown.

Donation of 3 Final Four Girls Basketball Banners, to hang in the High School Gym. Donated by Paul and Kim Howe. Approximate value \$1,005.

**Mr. Webel** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Burch,Mrs.Staats,Mr.Ule  
NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**23-38 Mrs. Staats** moved that the Board of Education enter into Executive Session at 7:41 p.m. for the purpose of discussing employment of personnel and sale and purchase of land.

**Mr. Ule** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Burch,Mrs.Staats,Mr.Ule,Mrs.Webel  
NAYS: None – Motion Carries 5-0

Mrs. Hagenbush was invited into the Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

Mrs. Hagenbush left the Executive Session at 8:27 p.m.

Mr. Farson was invited into the Executive Session at 8:30 p.m.

Mr. Farson left the Executive Session at 9:00 p.m.

Mrs. Bennett called the meeting back to public session at 9:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

**23-39 Mr. Burch** moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:01 p.m.

**Mrs. Staats** seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.Burch,Mrs.Staats,Mr.Ule,Mrs.Weber,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.”

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**Jennifer Bennett, Board President**

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**Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer**