

NORTON BOARD OF EDUCATION – 24-1
Special Session of January 8, 2024

The Norton Board of Education met in Special Session on January 8, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. in the Norton Middle School Panther Room for Organizational purposes. President pro tempore Mrs. Webel called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Judge McKinney administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Board Members:

Mrs. Bennett and Mr. DeDomenic – term 01/01/2024 – 12/31/2027.

Do you solemnly affirm that you will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Ohio, and that, you will faithfully and impartially discharge your duties as a member of the Board of Education of the Norton City School District, Summit County, Ohio, to the best of your ability, and in accordance with the laws now in effect and hereinafter to be enacted, during the continuance in said office and until your successor is appointed/elected and qualified?

ANSWER: I do.

The Treasurer called the roll:

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Bennett - Present
Mr. Burch – Present
Mr. DeDomenic - Present
Mrs. Staats- Present
Mrs. Webel - Present

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

ADDITIONS/CORRECTIONS

None.

APPROVE AGENDA

24-01 Mrs. Staats moved that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

Mr. Burch seconded the motion.

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

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICES

24-02 Mrs. Webel opened the floor for nominations for President for 2024.

Mrs. Bennett was nominated for President by **Mrs. Staats**.

With no other nominations, **Mr. Burch** motioned to close nominations for President.

Mr. DeDomenic seconded the motion.

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

Mrs. Webel asked Mrs. Hagenbush to poll the Board for President.

POLL: **Mr. DeDomenic** – Mrs. Bennett
Mrs. Staats – Mrs. Bennett
Mrs. Webel – Mrs. Bennett
Mrs. Bennett – Mrs. Bennett
Mr. Burch – Mrs. Bennett

Mrs. Bennett was elected as President.

24-03 Mrs. Bennett opened the floor for nominations for Vice President for 2024.

Mrs. Staats was nominated for Vice President by **Mrs. Webel**.

With no other nominations, **Mrs. Webel** motioned to close nominations for Vice President.

Mr. Burch seconded the motion.

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

Mrs. Bennett asked the Treasurer to poll the Board for Vice President.

POLL: **Mrs. Webel** – Mrs. Staats
Mrs. Bennett – Mrs. Staats
Mr. Burch – Mrs. Staats
Mr. DeDomenic – Mrs. Staats
Mrs. Staats – Mrs. Staats

Mrs. Staats was elected as Vice President.

ESTABLISH BOARD MEETING

24-04 Mr. DeDomenic moved that the Board of Education establish the regular meeting to be held every second Monday of the month, (except June) in the Norton Middle School Panther Room with public session beginning at 7:00 p.m. (In the event school is closed on the second Monday of the month for holidays or calamity days, the regular meeting of the Norton Board of Education will be held on the third Monday of the month.)

Mrs. Staats seconded the motion.

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

24-05 Mrs. Webel moved that the Board of Education hold the Regular Session meeting June 24, 2024, in the Norton Middle School Panther room at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. DeDomenic seconded the motion.

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

24-06 Mrs. Webel moved that the Board of Education establish the regular meeting of the Committee of The Whole every second Monday of every other month (March, May, July, September, November), in the Norton Middle School Panther Room at 6:00 p.m. Board action may be taken during these meetings.

Mr. Burch seconded the motion.

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

24-07 Mr. Burch moved that the Board of Education establish Work Session meetings every second Monday of every other month (February, April, August, October, December), in the Norton Middle School Panther Room at 5:00 p.m.

Mrs. Staats seconded the motion.

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

DELEGATE/ALTERNATE DELEGATE

24-08 Mrs. Bennett moved that the Board of Education appoint **Mrs. Staats** as delegate to the 2024 OSBA Annual Conference.

Mrs. Webel seconded the motion.

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

- 24-09 Mrs. Staats** moved that the Board of Education appoint **Mr. DeDomenic** as the alternate delegate to the 2024 OSBA Annual Conference.

Mr. Burch seconded the motion.

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

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON

- 24-10 Mrs. Weibel** moved that the Board of Education appoint **Mrs. Staats** as the OSBA Legislative Liaison for 2024.

Mrs. Bennett seconded the motion.

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

- 24-11 Mr. DeDomenic** moved that the Board of Education appoint **Mr. Burch** as the Student Achievement Liaison for 2024.

Mrs. Staats seconded the motion.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

- 24-12 Mrs. Weibel** moved that the Board of Education approve the following Consent Agenda:

- *Approve Resolution Authorizing the Advance of Local Taxes by the County Fiscal Office for the 2024 tax year payable in 2025.
- *Approve Investment of Interim Funds - authorization for the Treasurer to invest interim funds at the most productive interest rate whenever interim funds are available.
- *Authorize the Treasurer to pay all bills within the limits of the appropriation resolution as bills are received and when proof of the merchandise has been received and is in good condition.
- *Authorize the Treasurer to make Inter/Intra Fund transfers on an as needed basis.
- *Employment of Temporary Personnel - authorize the Superintendent/Treasurer, if applicable, to employ such temporary personnel as needed for emergency situations.
- *Retain legal services of Pepple & Waggoner, LTD; Squire Patton Boggs, LLP; and Roetzel; Peters, Kalail & Markakis, Co., L.P.A.
- *Appoint the Superintendent or his designee as purchasing agent for the school district.
- *Authorize the Superintendent and/or his designees to participate in all Federal and State programs, which are designed to be of benefit to the district.
- *Participate in membership of OSBA, which includes the Negotiator, Briefcase and Legal Assistance Fund.
- *Approve resolution to participate as member of Minute Men OhioComp, Worker's Compensation group rating program.
- *Direct the Treasurer of the Board of Education to secure and purchase school/district school group liability and medical insurance.
- *Authorize the Superintendent and/or his designee to approve all special trips on school buses, including educational field trips for band and athletic activities, based on guidelines as defined in board policy.
- *Authorize the Superintendent to approve the attendance and reimbursement of expenses, made against the appropriate accounts of the Board adopted Appropriation Measure, incurred by certified and non-certified staff members at professional and/or in-service training meetings, based on guidelines as defined in board policy and the negotiated agreements.

- *Establish an appropriation account to expense miscellaneous employee fringe benefits.
- *Authorize the Treasurer to renew the Treasurer Bond.
- *Approve the Treasurer as the designee for Public Records Training.
- *Authorize the Superintendent/Designee to declare obsolete and dispose of personal property valued at less than \$10,000.
- *Authorize Superintendent and Treasurer to enter into written contracts less than \$10,000.
- *Approve the participation of Norton City School's athletics in all Ohio High School Athletic Association (OSHAA) sanctioned tournaments, including overnight stays.
- *Authorize the Treasurer to transfer \$55,003 from Fund 003 (Permanent Improvement Fund) to Fund 034 (Maintenance Fund).

Mr. Burch seconded the motion.

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

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Committee Assignments

ADJOURNMENT

24-13 Mrs. Staats moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Special Session at 5:16 p.m.

Mr. Burch seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Mr.DeDomenic,Mrs.Staats,Mrs.Webel,Mrs.Bennett,Mr.Burch
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, President Pro Tempore

Jennifer Bennett, President

Stephanie Hagenbush, Treasurer