



**North Schuylkill School District
Board of School Director
Public Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, June 17, 2020
7:00 p.m.
North Schuylkill Jr./Sr. High School
Ashland, PA**

**Mr. Charles Hepler
Board President**

**Dr. Robert Ackell
Superintendent**

1. Opening

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 Roll Call
- 1.3 Invitation to Public to Speak on Agenda Items

2. Recognition of Guests

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion is requested to approve the minutes of the meetings referenced below:

- 3.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – May 13, 2020
- 3.2 Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting – June 10, 2020
- 3.3 Minutes of the Physical Facilities Committee Meeting – June 10, 2020
- 3.4 Minutes of the Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting – June 10, 2020
- 3.5 Minutes of the Food Service, Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting – June 10, 2020
- 3.6 Minutes of the Extracurricular Programs Committee Meeting – June 10, 2020
- 3.7 Minutes of the Policy/Legislative Committee Meeting – June 10, 2020
- 3.8 Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting – June 10, 2020

4. Finance Committee Report (Mary Anne Woodward – Chairperson, Tom Fletcher, Sue O’Neill)

- 4.1 A motion is requested to approve the financial reports and check registers as listed and included in Board packets.
 - 4.1.1 Financial Summary – Budget Comparison – May 2020
 - 4.1.2 Financial Summary – Prior Year Comparison – May 2020
 - 4.1.3 General Fund Cash Accounts – May 2020
 - 4.1.4 Capital Reserve & Capital Project Funds Financial Summary – May 2020
 - 4.1.5 Athletic Fund Summary – May 2020
 - 4.1.6 Food Service Operating Statement – May 2020
 - 4.1.7 Expenditures – Check Register – 3/12/2020 through 6/17/20

- 4.2 A motion is requested to approve the School District’s “Final Budget” for the 2020-2021 fiscal year in the amount of \$31,430,476.00 in accordance with School Board Policy.
- 4.3 A motion is requested to establish the current local taxes and to set up real estate tax rates in accordance with School Board Policy as follows in support of the budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

	<u>2019-2020</u>	<u>2020-2021</u>
Real Estate – Schuylkill County	42.34 mills	43.65 mills
Real Estate – Columbia County	42.34 mills	43.65 mills
Occupational Assessment	\$218.50	\$218.50
Real Estate Transfer*	1.0%	1.0%
Earned Income Tax*	1.0%	1.0%
Local Services Tax	\$5.00	\$5.00
Per Capita 511 Tax	\$0.00	\$0.00
Per Capita 679 Tax	\$0.00	\$0.00

* 0.5% for school district; 0.5% for municipalities

- 4.4 A motion is requested to approve the following dates for Real Estate and Occupational Assessment Tax payments:

Discount Period – ends August 31, 2020

Regular (face amount) period – ends October 31, 2020

Tax installments no later than the following dates:

- August 31, 2020
- September 30, 2020
- October 31, 2020

- 4.5 A motion is requested to approve The Seltzer Group, Schuylkill Haven, PA as the Insurance Advisor and to secure coverage with the underwriter/carrier of Wright Specialty Insurance for Property and Liability Insurance for the 2020-2021 school year at a cost of \$80,457.00 for the annual premium.
- 4.6 A motion is requested to approve McGriff Insurance Services as the Insurance Advisor and to secure coverage with the underwriter/carrier of UPMC Health Benefits Inc. for Workers Compensation Insurance for the 2020-2021 school year at a cost of \$81,230.00 for the annual premium.
- 4.7 A motion is requested to designate PLGIT, PA INVEST, PSDLAF, M & T, BB&T and Mid Penn Banks as depositories for the 2020-2021 school year.

- 4.8 A motion is requested to approve the Resolution approving a 2019 Note Modification Agreement Reducing the Interest Rate on the General Obligation Note as presented to the Board.
- 4.9 A motion is requested to approve a Resolution Calling for the General Assembly to Provide Critical Support and Mandate Relief Benefitting Public Schools and Students as presented to the Board.
- 4.10 A motion is requested to authorize the Board Secretary to submit PlanCon Part K: Project Refinancing Board Transmittal.
- 4.11 A motion is requested to approve the sale of the following property that has been placed in the “repository for unsold properties” and an offer received:
45-07-0034.000 – 209 East B Street, Girardville Borough
Bidder: Douglas A. Litwhiler
Bid Amount: \$1,197.00
- 4.12 A motion is requested to approve the sale of the following property that has been placed in the “repository for unsold properties” and an offer received:
38-06-0242.000 – 1502 Walnut Street, Ashland Borough
Bidder: Douglas A. Litwhiler
Bid Amount: \$1,274.00
- 4.13 A motion is requested to approve a Permissions Safe Inc. Software Subscription Agreement with Permission Safe Inc. (DBA ZippSlip) effective June 15, 2020 through June 14, 2023.
Note: Cost is a minimum of \$4,704 annually (1,960 students at \$2.40 per student) and will be adjusted for additional students and evaluated semiannually. The On-Board Fee of \$500 has been waived.
- 4.14 A motion is requested to approve the Addendum to Extend Agreement with ESS Northeast, LLC, extended from July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2025.

5. **Communications**

Correspondence:
Cindy Piatt

6. **Other Committee Reports**

6.1 **Physical Facilities** (Glenn Weist – Chairperson, Doug Gressens, Mike Kiehl)

- 6.1.1 A motion is requested to approve, as presented, the following Facility Use Applications, pending appropriate insurance and facility availability. All Facility Use Applications are contingent upon availability and cannot interfere with District activities or events. Fees will be applied where applicable.

6.1.1-1 The Spartan Cheerleading Boosters to use the JSHS Parking Lot for the Fundraiser Delivery/Distribution on June 18, 2020, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Note: Fundraiser coupons and sealed, bagged cold mac and cheese platters will be delivered via drive by only with less than 25 people permitted to pick up per half hour.

6.2 **Personnel** (Tom Fletcher – Chairperson, Doug Gressens, Janine Simms)

6.2.1 A motion is requested to appoint Dr. Rob Thurich, Ashland, as the School Doctor for the North Schuylkill School District for the 2020-2021 school year at the following rates:

Non-Athletic Physical Exams: \$8.00 per child (same since 2011-2012)

IEP Reviews: \$8.00 per child (same since 2011-2012)

6.2.2 A motion is requested to appoint Dr. Frank Blozousky, Frackville, as the School Dentist for the North Schuylkill School District at the rate of \$3.00 per child examined for the 2020-2021 school year.

The following motion items 6.2.3 through 6.2.7 are in accordance with the NSSD/NSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement and District policies and procedures.

6.2.3 A motion is requested to approve Ann Subick as a Homebound Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year at the rate of \$35.00 per hour.

6.2.4 A motion is requested to approve a childbearing/childrearing leave request submitted by Marina Refi, Secondary Special Education Teacher, effective on or about August 18, 2020, until on or about October 16, 2020. She will use thirteen sick days and then be on an unpaid FMLA leave.

6.2.5 A motion is requested to approve the MOU with the North Schuylkill Education Association for a Premium Increase – 2020-2021 Fiscal Year as presented to the Board.

6.2.6 A motion is requested to acknowledge the transfer/change of assignment for the following individuals beginning with the 2020-2021 school year:

Mary Lou Leibensperger – 3rd- 4th Learning Support to 1st – 6th Learning Support Math (repurposed position)

Erin Anderson – 5th – 6th Learning Support to 1st – 6th Learning Support ELA (repurposed position)

Matt Wislosky – HS Life Skills to 5th Learning Support

Nancy Nestor – NSE Gifted/Instructional Coach to District Wide Gifted/Instructional Coach

6.2.7 A motion is requested to approve the issuance of permanent contracts, in accordance with the Pennsylvania Public School Code, to the following temporary professional employees who have completed three years of satisfactory service:

Taia Carpency	Amber McCabe
Kaitlin Mroczka	Pete Stanakis

The following motion item 6.2.8 is in accordance with the NSSD/NSESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement and District policies and procedures.

6.2.8 A motion is requested to approve the MOU with the North Schuylkill Educational Support Professional Association for a Premium Increase – 2020-2021 Fiscal Year as presented to the Board.

6.3 **Curriculum and Instructional Programs** (Sue O’Neill – Chairperson, Tom Fletcher, Mary Anne Woodward)

6.3.1 A motion is requested to acknowledge the graduation of the Class of 2020 that took place on June 3, 2020. The attached list of students completed all requirements as attested by the principal and diplomas were awarded at the graduation exercises.

6.3.2 A motion is requested to approve the adoption of the textbooks as listed below. This is in accordance with the Pennsylvania School Code, Article VII, Section 803.

Grades 3 – 5 (English Language Arts)

<u>Text and Materials</u>	<u>ISBN</u>	<u>Publisher</u>
<i>myView Literacy 2020 Silver</i> – Grade 3		Pearson
Student Edition – (180)	9780134972824	
Teacher Edition – (1)	9780134972213	
<i>myView Literacy 2020 Silver</i> – Grade 4		Pearson
Student Edition – (180)	9780134972831	
Teacher Edition – (1)	9780134972220	
<i>myView Literacy 2020 Silver</i> – Grade 5		Pearson
Student Edition – (180)	9780134972848	
Teacher Edition – (1)	9780134972244	

Cost was included in Grand Total that was Board approved on May 13, 2020.

6.3.3 A motion is requested to approve the revised 2019-2020 Title I Letter of Agreement between the North Schuylkill School District and the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit for North Schuylkill children attending non-public schools.

6.3.4 A motion is requested to approve the changes to the National Honor Society Academic Requirements as per the attachment.

- 6.3.5 A motion is requested to approve the Comprehensive Plan – July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2024 as presented to the Board.
Note: The Comprehensive Plan will be on public display, including the District Web Site, for 30 days after approval and then be submitted to PDE.
- 6.3.6 A motion is requested to acknowledge that the North Schuylkill School District will not be administering the Keystone Exams for the entire Spring 2019-2020 cohort.
Note: The District will post this decision on the District’s website.
- 6.3.7 A motion is requested to approve the Flexible Instructional Day Application for the 2020-2021 School Year as presented to the Board.
- 6.3.8 A motion is requested to approve the Intent to Participate Agreement for the 2020-2021 Title III: Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students with the Schuylkill IU 29.
- 6.3.9 A motion is requested to approve the Gifted Manual (GMDE and GIEP Process – Procedures and Guidelines) for the 2020-2021 school year as presented to the Board.
- 6.3.10 A motion is requested to approve the Special Education Procedural Manual for the 2020-2021 school year as presented to the Board.
- 6.3.11 A motion is requested to approve the Special Education Paraprofessional Guidelines and Procedures for the 2020-2021 school year as presented to the Board.
- 6.3.12 A motion is requested to approve the PA Chapter 339 K-12 School Guidance Plan for the 2020-2021 school year as presented to the Board.
- 6.3.13 A motion is requested to approve the TIPS (Teacher Induction & Preparation for Service) Manual for the 2020-2021 school year as presented to the Board.

6.4 **Food Service, Safety, Transportation** (Janine Simms – Chairperson, Mike Kiehl, Glenn Weist)

- 6.4.1 A motion is requested to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Schuylkill County Children and Youth Services regarding transportation procedures as presented to the Board.
- 6.4.2 A motion is requested to approve Dr. Robert Ackell as the Pandemic Coordinator for the Phased School Reopening Health and Safety Plan.
- 6.4.3 A motion is requested to authorize participation by the North Schuylkill School District in the Child Nutrition Programs between School Districts, Vo-Techs and Intermediate Units during the 2020-2021 school year.

6.5 **Extracurricular Programs** (Douglas Gressens – Chairperson, Janine Simms, Roy Green)

6.5.1 A motion is requested to approve Allison Hughes as a Volunteer Varsity/Junior Varsity Basketball Cheerleading Coach for the 2020-2021 Season.

6.5.2 A motion is requested to approve Allison Hughes as a Volunteer Varsity/Junior High/Junior Varsity Football Cheerleading Coach for the 2020 Season.

6.5.3 A motion is requested to approve the Resocialization of Sports Recommendations and Participation Waiver for Communicable Diseases including COVID-19 as presented to the Board.

6.5.4 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Tyler Mutchler as Head Volleyball Coach for the 2020 Fall Season at a salary of \$2,475.00.

6.5.5 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Brooke Ennis as Head Junior High/Assistant Varsity Cross Country Coach for the 2020 Season at a salary of \$1,700.00.

6.6 **Policy/Legislative** (Mike Kiehl, Chairperson, Sue O'Neill, Glenn Weist)

6.6.1 A motion is requested to approve the first reading of the following policy:

217 – Graduation Requirements

7. **Old Business** (Reserved for prior agenda items)

8. **New Business** (Reserved for items for placement on next meeting agenda)

9. **Other Reports**

9.1 A motion is requested to approve the Notice of Adoption of Policies, Procedures and Use of Funds with the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29.

9.2 A motion is requested to authorize the Superintendent and Business Manager to approve plans/use of funds during the summer months due to time constraints of scheduled Board Meetings. Approvals by the Superintendent and Business Manager will be added to the next available agenda for ratification.

10. Other Items for Consideration

10.1 Invitation to Public to Speak

11. Dates for Future Meetings

Wednesday, August 12

Wednesday, August 19

Committee Meetings – 6:30 p.m.

Board of School Directors Regular Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

12. Adjournment