



**North Schuylkill School District  
Board of School Director  
Public Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday, March 15, 2023  
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



I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United State of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

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 – February 15, 2023
- 3.2 Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting – March 8, 2023
- 3.3 Minutes of the Physical Facilities Committee Meeting – March 8, 2023
- 3.4 Minutes of the Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting – March 8, 2023
- 3.5 Minutes of the Food Service, Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting – March 8, 2023
- 3.6 Minutes of the Extracurricular Programs Committee Meeting – March 8, 2023
- 3.7 Minutes of the Policy/Legislative Committee Meeting – March 8, 2023
- 3.8 Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting – March 8, 2023

**4. Finance Committee Report** (Mike Kiehl – Chairperson, Glenn Weist, Doug Gressens)

- 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 – February 2023
  - 4.1.2 Financial Summary – Prior Year Comparison – February 2023
  - 4.1.3 General Fund Cash Accounts – February 2023
  - 4.1.4 Athletic Fund Summary – January 2023
  - 4.1.5 Athletic Fund Summary – February 2023
  - 4.1.6 Capital Reserve & Capital Project Funds Financial Summary – February 2023
  - 4.1.7 Food Service Operating Statement – February 2023
  - 4.1.8 Expenditures – Check Register – 2/13/2023 through 3/10/2023
- 4.2 A motion is requested to approve a Real Estate Tax Exemption for a Disabled Veteran for parcel #46-04-0136.027, Schuylkill County, in accordance with tax exemption regulations specified in House Bill 1878, dated March 17, 1978.
- 4.3 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:
- 38-02-0417.000 – 1133-35 Walnut Street, Ashland Borough  
Bidder: Borough of Ashland  
Bid Amount: \$1.00
- 4.4 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:
- 38-03-0538.000 – 936 Walnut Street, Ashland Borough  
Bidder: Borough of Ashland  
Bid Amount: \$1.00
- 4.5 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:
- 38-03-0536.000 – 932 Walnut Street, Ashland Borough  
Bidder: Borough of Ashland  
Bid Amount: \$1.00
- 4.6 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:
- 38-06-0272.000 – 1728-30 Walnut Street, Ashland Borough  
Bidder: Borough of Ashland  
Bid Amount: \$1.00
- 4.7 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:
- 38-03-0539.000 – 938 Walnut Street, Ashland Borough  
Bidder: Borough of Ashland  
Bid Amount: \$1.00

## 5. Communications

## 6. Other Committee Reports

### 6.1 Physical Facilities (Roy Green – Chairperson, Doug Gressens, Janine Simms)

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 NS Halftime Club to use the JSHS Cafeteria for a Parent/Player Meeting on April 16, 2023 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

6.1.1-2 NS Halftime Club to use the JSHS Upper Parking Lot for a Kaufman's Chicken Dinner Fundraiser on June 2, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

6.1.1-3 NS Theater Arts to use the JSHS Auditorium, Lobby and Music Wing Classrooms for decorating the lobby, dressing rooms and auditorium on March 30 and 31, 2023, from 2:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. and April 1 and 2, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

6.1.1-4 NS Theater Arts to use the JSHS Cafeteria for an End of Year Theater Arts Disco Party on April 14, 2023, from 2:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

6.1.1-5 The NS Swim Team to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium for an End of Year Party on April 15, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

6.1.1-6 The following requests to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium, with fee applied to the request:

- ◆ Jess Croley on March 26, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ Brittany Zarcufsky on April 16, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- ◆ Amanda Landis on March 12, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- ◆ Ashley Leibig on May 7, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ Melissa Lorady on May 27, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- ◆ Jillian Bright on May 20, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

6.1.1-7 The NSE Title I Department to use the NSE Gym, Cafeteria and LGI Room for a Family Fun Night on March 28, 2023 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

6.1.1-8 The West Schuylkill FC to use the Ghosh Orthodontics Field at Spartan Stadium for Soccer Training on March 28, 2023 and April 4, 2023 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

6.1.1-9 Special Olympics Schuylkill County to use the Ghosh Orthodontics Field at Spartan Stadium and/or Robert Moyer Track & Field Throwing Complex for Athletics Practice (Track & Field) on March 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22 29, May 13, 20, 27 and June 3, 2023, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. There will be no charge for the facilities use.

6.1.1-10 The Spartan Wrestling Boosters/Spear Mat Club to use JSHS rooms 355 and 375 for wrestling workouts from March through October 2023 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

6.1.1-11 The NS Band Boosters to use the JSHS Cafeteria for an End of the Year Banquet (Pot Luck Meal) on May 21, 2023, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

6.1.2 A motion is requested to approve the use of the Ghosh Orthodontics Field by Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary High School, Inc., Pottsville, PA, for all home football games for the Fall 2023 Season at a cost of \$2,000.00 per game.

6.2 **Personnel** (Randy Lattis – Chairperson, Mike Kiehl, Janine Simms)

6.2.1 A motion is requested to approve Sue Prushinski as a teacher for the Schuylkill ACHIEVE After School Program Cohort 10 for the 2022-2023 school year. (The rate will be \$24.40/hour. The rate is subject to change based on the program grant.)

6.2.2 A motion is requested to approve additional hours for Kimberly Reese Mentusky to provide Occupational Therapy Services, up to 60 hours per month, at a rate of \$48.49/hour, for the 2022-2023 school year.

6.2.3 A motion is requested to accept the resignation of Christine Greblich as Assistant Supervisor of Special Education effective August 14, 2023. Ms. Greblich will be assigned to a Special Education Teacher position for the 2023-2024 school year, effective August 15, 2023.

6.2.4 A motion is requested to approve the revised Director of Buildings and Grounds Job Description as presented to the Board.

6.2.5 A motion is requested to approve the transfer of assignment for Janel Hansbury from Assistant Elementary Principal to Elementary Principal effective July 1, 2023, pending a six-month evaluation. Her salary will be \$87,000.00.

6.2.6 A motion is requested to approve the transfer of assignment for Edward Pavalko from Secondary Dean of Students to Assistant Elementary Principal effective July 1, 2023, pending a six-month evaluation. His salary will be \$67,500.00.

The following motion items are in accordance with the NSSD/NSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement and District policies and procedures:

- 6.2.7 A motion is requested to approve a childbearing/childrearing leave request for Taia Carpency, Secondary Science Teacher, effective on or about August 23, 2023, until on or about January 8, 2024. She will use all available sick leave days and will then be on an unpaid FMLA Leave.
- 6.2.8 A motion is requested to accept the resignation of Tabitha Walsh, Elementary Teacher, effective as soon as released from the District.
- 6.2.9 A motion is requested to accept the resignation of Brianna Sharp, Secondary Science Teacher, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year.

The following motion items are in accordance with the NSSD/NSESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement and District policies and procedures.

- 6.2.10 A motion is requested to accept the resignation of Jillian Bright, Part-Time Paraprofessional effective March 24, 2023.
- 6.2.11 Information Item
  - 6.2.11-1 A list of names of applicants for employment and a list of names of individuals who have submitted letters of interest but for whom no applications have been received to date.

6.3 **Curriculum and Instructional Programs** (Janine Simms – Chairperson, Glenn Weist, Mike Kiehl)

- 6.3.1 A motion is requested to approve the Flexible Instructional Day Application for the 2023-2024, 2024-2025, 2025-2026 school years as presented to the Board.
- 6.3.2 A motion is requested to approve the Special Education Plan Report 07/01/2023 – 06/30/2026 as presented to the Board. (Note: The plan has been on public display since March 6, 2023.)
- 6.3.3 A motion is requested to approve the Dual Credit Affiliation Agreement with The Pennsylvania State University as presented to the Board.

6.4 **Food Service, Safety, Transportation** (Doug Gressens – Chairperson, Randy Lattis, Mary Anne Woodward)

- 6.4.1 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to Knoebels, Elysburg, PA from the NSE PTO for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade students, teachers and chaperones on May 19, 2023.

6.4.2 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to Hershey Chocolate World, Hershey, PA and the State Museum of PA, Harrisburg, PA, from the NSE PTO for 4<sup>th</sup> Grade students, teachers and chaperones on May 16, 2023, with no costs to the District.

6.5 **Extracurricular Programs** (Mary Anne Woodward – Chairperson, Roy Green, Randy Lattis)

6.5.1 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to the Walk In Arts Center, Schuylkill Haven, PA, for the ACHIEVE After School Program Students, Teachers and Chaperones on March 11, 2023.

6.5.2 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Joe Tomtishen as an Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season at a salary of \$3,800.00.

6.5.3 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Pete Stanakis as an Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season at a salary of \$3,620.00.

6.5.4 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Mike Jacavage as an Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season at a salary of \$4,720.00.

6.5.5 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Brett Budwash as an Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season at a salary of \$2,820.00.

6.5.6 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Jake Mogish as an Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season at a salary of \$4,020.00.

6.5.7 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Carl Stine as an Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season at a salary of \$4,220.00.

6.5.8 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Anthony Russo as an Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season at a salary of \$4,450.00.

6.5.9 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Gene Lapointe as a Volunteer Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season.

6.5.10 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, John Minalda as a Volunteer Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season.

- 6.5.11 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Jason Gawrylik as a Volunteer Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season.
- 6.5.12 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Glenn W. Weist as a Volunteer Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season.
- 6.5.13 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Doug Weist as a Volunteer Assistant Football Coach for the 2023 Fall Season.
- 6.5.14 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Haley Burd as an Assistant Softball Coach for the 2023 Spring Season at a salary of \$1,830.00.
- 6.5.15 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Matthew Klingerman as an Assistant Track Coach for the 2023 Spring Season at a salary of \$1,575.00.
- 6.5.16 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the following individuals as Volunteer Track Coaches for the 2023 Spring Season:
  - Jarrid Todd
  - Khristian Onuschak
- 6.5.17 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Albert Maziekas as an Assistant Boys Soccer Coach for the 2023 Fall Season at a salary of \$1,665.00.

6.6 **Policy/Legislative** (Glenn Weist, Roy Green, Mary Anne Woodward)

- 6.6.1 A motion is requested to approve the second reading of the following policies:
  - 610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation
  - 611 – Purchases Budgeted
  - 707 – Use of School Facilities
  - 124 – Alternative Instruction/Dual Credit
- 6.6.2 A motion is requested to approve the first reading of the following policies:
  - 137 – Home Education Programs
  - 137.1 – Extracurricular Participation by Home Education Students
  - 137.2 – Participation in Cocurricular Activities and Academic Courses by Home Education Students
  - 137.3 – Participation in Career and Technical Education Programs by Home Education Students
  - 800.2 – Electronic Data Storage

6.6.3 A motion is requested to approve the Policy Review Schedule for 2023 as presented to the Board.

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 Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 Program Budget as presented and that the Board Secretary be directed to notify the proper authorities of the decision made by the Board of Education concerning this action. North Schuylkill's share of the IU Program Budget for 2023-2024 is \$0.00. [North Schuylkill's share for the 2022-2023 school year was \$0.00.]

9.2 A motion is requested to approve the Schuylkill Technology Center Budget as presented and that the Secretary be directed to notify the proper authorities of the decision made by the Board of Education concerning this action. North Schuylkill's share of the Schuylkill Technology Center Secondary Budget for 2023-2024 is \$743,409.00. (North Schuylkill's share for 2022-2023 was \$721,824.00.)

10. **Other Items for Consideration**

10.1 Invitation to Public to Speak

11. **Dates for Future Meetings**

Wednesday, April 19

Committee Meetings – 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 19

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

12. **Adjournment**