



**North Schuylkill School District
Board of School Director
Public Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, March 19, 2025
Immediately following Committee Meetings
North Schuylkill Jr./Sr. High School
Ashland, PA**

**Mr. Roy Green
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 – February 19, 2025
- 3.2 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting – February 19, 2025
- 3.3 Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting – February 19, 2025
- 3.4 Minutes of the Physical Facilities Committee Meeting – February 19, 2025
- 3.5 Minutes of the Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting – February 19, 2025
- 3.6 Minutes of the Food Service, Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting – February 19, 2025
- 3.7 Minutes of the Extracurricular Programs Committee Meeting – February 19, 2025
- 3.8 Minutes of the Policy/Legislative Committee Meeting – February 19, 2025
- 3.9 Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting – February 19, 2025
- 3.10 Minutes of the Extracurricular Programs Committee Meeting – February 17, 2025

4. Finance Committee Report (Mary Anne Woodward – Chairperson, Raymond Reichwein, Mike Kiehl)

- 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 2025
 - 4.1.2 Financial Summary – Prior Year Comparison – February 2025

- 4.1.3 General Fund Cash Accounts – February 2025
- 4.1.4 Athletic Fund Summary – February 2025
- 4.1.5 Capital Reserve & Capital Project Funds Financial Summary – February 2025
- 4.1.6 Expenditures – Check Register – 2/11/2025 through 3/10/2025

- 4.2 A motion is requested to approve a Real Estate Tax Exemption for a Disabled Veteran for parcel #04-06-0022.001, 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:
 - 45-08-0058.000 – 311 West Main Street, Girardville Borough
 - Bidder: Michael J. Zangari and Tammy I. Zangari
 - Bid Amount: \$250.00

- 4.4 A motion is requested to approve the proposal with PenTeleData for 5GB of Internet Service and Transport from July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2030, at a cost of \$1,470 per month, pre eRate discount.

5. Communications

6. Other Committee Reports

- 6.1 **Physical Facilities** (Mike Kiehl – Chairperson, Raymond Reichwein, Glenn Weist)
 - 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 ASL Summer Swim League to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium for the ASL Summer League on Tuesdays and Thursdays in June and July 2025 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 - 6.1.1-2 The NS Soccer Boosters to use the JSJS Cafeteria for Booster Meetings on the Third Mondays of the Month from March 2025 through October 2025 from 5:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
 - 6.1.1-3 The NS Cheer Boosters to use the JSJS Cafeteria for the Fundraiser Pickup from 4:45 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
 - 6.1.1-4 The NS Cheer Boosters to use the JSJS Cafeteria for a Booster Meetings on March 18 and April 15, 2025, from 6:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 - 6.1.1-5 NS Cheerleading Boosters to use the JSJS Lower Lobby for Cheerleading Pictures with PSP on July 21, 2025 from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

6.1.1-6 The Schuylkill YMCA to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium for Swim Practices on Mondays through Saturdays in March, April, May, June July, August 2025 at various times.

6.2 **Personnel** (Tom Fletcher, Chairperson; Doug Gressens, Mary Anne Woodward)

6.2.1 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the following individuals as Extended School Year (ESY) Instructors at a rate of \$35/hour from June 17, 2025 through July 24, 2025:

- Erin Anderson
- Madison Reeder
- Allie Leshner
- Matt Wislosky
- Devon Sinkovich
- Brett Budwash
- Aileen McCabe (not currently NS Employee)
- Amy Ryder – Speech
- Marcus Peel – Behavior Specialist
- Craig Demko – Behavior Specialist

6.2.2 A motion is requested to approve the following individuals as teachers for the Schuylkill ACHIEVE After School Program:

- Travis Hinkle
- Nicole Kane

6.2.3 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the employment of Cheri Macknis as a full-time Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant (COTA) at a starting salary of \$44,500 effective April 28, 2025.

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

6.2.4 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the following individuals as Extended School Year (ESY) Paraprofessionals at the rates listed from June 17, 2025 through July 24, 2025:

		<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>
Jen Himes	-	\$17.80 per hour	\$19.30 per hour
Keri Barnes	-	\$18.19 per hour	\$19.69 per hour
Janina Plichta	-	\$12.75 per hour	\$14.25 per hour
Denise Brayford	-	\$12.25 per hour	\$12.25 per hour
Sharon White	-	\$13.30 per hour	\$14.80 per hour
Donna Quinn	-	\$12.75 per hour	\$14.25 per hour
Angela Hannon	-	\$13.80 per hour	\$15.30 per hour
Michelle Wagner	-	\$14.30 per hour	\$15.80 per hour
Michelle O’Hearn – Nurse		\$31.45 per hour	\$32.95 per hour

6.2.5 A motion is requested to approve the termination of Stephanie Paul, Part-Time Custodian effective February 26, 2025, due to job abandonment.

6.2.6 Information Item

6.2.6 -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** (Randy Lattis – Chairperson, Tom Fletcher, Mary Anne Woodward)

6.3.1 A motion is requested to approve a Letter of Agreement between the North Schuylkill School District and The Meadows Psychiatric Center for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

6.3.2 A motion is requested to approve the Final Exam Schedule for the 2024-2025 school year.

6.4 **Food Service, Safety, Transportation** (Janine Simms – Chairperson, Doug Gressens, Glenn Weist)

6.4.1 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, adding the following individuals to the roster of School Bus Drivers/Van Drivers/Aides for the 2024-2025 school year:

Wanda Hightower
Preston Grow

Brian Koreisl

6.4.2 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to the Electric City Aquarium and Reptile Den, Scranton, PA, from the NSE PTO for 4th Grade Students, teachers and chaperones on April 14 and 15, 2025.

6.4.3 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to Zoo America, Hershey, PA, from the NSE PTO for Kindergarten Students, teachers and chaperones on May 20, 2025.

6.4.4 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to the DaVinci Science Center, Allentown, PA, from the NSE PTO for 5th Grade Students, teachers and chaperones on June 4, 2025.

6.4.5 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to Knoebels, Elysburg, PA, from the NSE PTO for 6th Grade Students, teachers and chaperones on April 14 and 15, 2025.

6.4.6 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to the Electric City Aquarium, Scranton, PA, from the NSE PTO for 2nd Grade Students, teachers and chaperones on April 3 and 4, 2025.

- 6.4.7 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to the Lehigh Valley Zoo, Schnecksville, PA, from the NSE PTO for 3rd Grade Students, teachers and chaperones on May 13, 2025.
- 6.4.8 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to the Urban Air Adventure Park, Harrisburg, PA, from Jeff Jacavage, Secondary Special Education Teacher, for the Chief Science Officer Program (CSO) Students and chaperones on April 3, 2025.

6.5 **Extracurricular Programs** (Doug Gressens – Chairperson, Raymond Reichwein, Randy Lattis)

- 6.5.1 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Anthony Agosti as a Head Boys Basketball Coach for the 2025-2026 Winter Season at a salary of \$4,240.00.
- 6.5.2 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Jake Balkiewicz as a Volunteer Baseball Coach for the Spring 2025 Season.
- 6.5.3 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Brady Simms as a Volunteer with the NS Trap Club for the 2024-2025 school year.
- 6.5.4 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Justin Sharp as a Volunteer with the NS Trap Club for the 2024-2025 school year.
- 6.5.5 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, James Buhay as a Volunteer with the NS Trap Club for the 2024-2025 school year.
- 6.5.6 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Vincent Bartusik as a Volunteer with the NS Trap Club for the 2024-2025 school year.
- 6.5.7 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Jason Reichwein as a Volunteer with the NS Trap Club for the 2024-2025 school year.
- 6.5.8 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Derrick Hendricks as a Volunteer with the NS Trap Club for the 2024-2025 school year.

6.6 **Policy/Legislative** (Glenn Weist – Chairperson, Janine Simms, Randy Lattis)

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

- 103 – Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Students
- 104 – Discrimination/Harassment Affecting Staff
- 234 – Pregnant/Parenting/Married Students

6.6.2 Information Item

6.6.2-1 The attachments in Policies 247, 249 and 252 were updated on March 4, 2025.

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 2025-2026 is \$0.00. [North Schuylkill's share for the 2024-2025 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 2025-2026 is \$816,683.00. (North Schuylkill's share for 2024-2025 was \$746,052.00.)

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

10. **Other Items for Consideration**

10.1 Invitation to Public to Speak

11. Dates for Future Meetings

Wednesday, April 9

Board of School Directors Committee of the Whole – 6:30 p.m.
Committee Meetings – 7:00 p.m.
Board of School Directors Regular Meeting – immediately
following Committee Meetings

12. Adjournment