



**North Schuylkill School District  
Board of School Director  
Public Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday, March 16, 2022  
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 16, 2022
- 3.2 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting – February 16, 2022
- 3.3 Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting – March 9, 2022
- 3.4 Minutes of the Physical Facilities Committee Meeting – March 9, 2022
- 3.5 Minutes of the Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting – March 9, 2022
- 3.6 Minutes of the Food Service, Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting – March 9, 2022
- 3.7 Minutes of the Extracurricular Programs Committee Meeting – March 9, 2022
- 3.8 Minutes of the Policy/Legislative Committee Meeting – March 9, 2022
- 3.9 Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting – March 9, 2022

**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 – February 2022
  - 4.1.2 Financial Summary – Prior Year Comparison – February 2022
  - 4.1.3 General Fund Cash Accounts – February 2022
  - 4.1.4 Athletic Fund Summary – February 2022
  - 4.1.5 Capital Reserve & Capital Project Funds Financial Summary – February 2022
  - 4.1.6 Food Service Operating Statement – February 2022
  - 4.1.7 Expenditures – Check Register – 2/7/2022 through 3/14/2022
- 4.2 A motion is requested to approve the Planned Maintenance Agreement with Modern Group Power Systems for two standby generators as presented to the Board.
- 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:
  - 04-15-0017.000 – 473 West Mahanoy Street, Butler Township
  - Bidder: BA Fresh Start LLC
  - Bid Amount: \$1,179.00
- 4.4 A motion is requested to approve the School District’s “Proposed Final Budget” for the 2022-2023 fiscal year in the amount of \$33,855,745.00 in accordance with School Board Policy.
- 4.5 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 2022-2023 fiscal year.

	<u>2021-2022</u>	<u>2022-2023</u>
Real Estate – Schuylkill County	45.14 mills	46.36 mills
Real Estate – Columbia County	45.14 mills	46.36 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

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

Discount Period – ends August 31, 2022

Regular (face amount) period – ends October 31, 2022

Tax installments no later than the following dates:

August 31, 2022

September 30, 2022

October 31, 2022

- 4.7 A motion is requested to authorize the Board Secretary to submit PlanCon Part K: Project Refinancing Board Transmittal.
- 4.8 A motion is requested to approve the Addendum to the Agreement with ESS Northeast, LLC, effective February 28, 2022.

## 5. Communications

## 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 NS Boys Basketball Boosters to use the JSBS Cafeteria for an End of Year Dinner on March 12, 2022, from 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

6.1.1-2 NS Youth Swim Program to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium for swim practices and meets from May 16, 2022 through July 31, 2022 on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and on Tuesdays from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-3 Ashland Little League to use the former Cardinal Brennan Fields for practices from March 1, 2022 through June 2022 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

6.1.1-4 The NSE PBIS Team to use the NSE Cafeteria for the Rolling Macaroni Fundraiser Pick Up on March 4, 2022 from 3:40 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

6.1.1-5 The NSE Title I Team to use the NSE Gym, LGI Room, Library and Cafeteria for Family Night on March 29, 2022 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

6.1.1-6 The NS Black Diamond Mat Club to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium for an End of Year Pool Party for the Elementary Wrestling Team on March 4, 2022 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

6.1.1-7 The NS Boys Basketball Boosters to use the JSHS Cafeteria for an End of Year Dinner on March 18, 2022 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

6.1.1-8

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

◆ Melissa Troutman on March 6, 2022, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

◆ Kira Skocik on March 20, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

◆ Jenna Troutman on March 26, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

◆ Amanda Kakol on May 22, 2022 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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

6.2.1 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the employment of Marcus Peel as a Behavior Specialist, at a starting salary of \$32,000.00 (186-day work year), pro-rated, effective March 17, 2022.

The following motion item 6.2.2 is in accordance with the NSSD/NSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement and District policies and procedures:

6.2.2 A motion is requested to approve the following individual as a Mentor Teacher, at a rate of \$500.00 for the 2021-2022 school year:

Mentor  
Bonita Leib

Inductee  
Marina Refi

The following motion items 6.2.3 and 6.2.4 are in accordance with the NSSD/NSESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement and District policies and procedures.

6.2.3 A motion is requested to accept the verbal resignation of Richard Leedom, Full-Time Second Shift/Weekend Custodian/Maintenance Worker, effective March 7, 2022.

6.2.4 A motion is requested to accept the verbal resignation of Michael Kilcullen, Full-Time Second Shift/Weekend Custodian/Maintenance Worker, effective March 11, 2022.

6.2.5 Information Item

6.2.5-1 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** (Sue O'Neill – Chairperson, Tom Fletcher, Mary Anne Woodward)
- 6.3.1 A motion is requested to approve the School District Letter of Agreement with the Schuylkill IU 29 for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Program effective October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2027.
- 6.3.2 A motion is requested to approve the 2021-2022 School Calendar revision necessitated by a weather cancellation.
- 6.4 **Food Service, Safety, Transportation** (Janine Simms – Chairperson, Mike Kiehl, Glenn Weist)
- 6.4.1 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, adding the following individual to the roster of School Bus Drivers/Van Drivers/Aides for the 2021-2022 school year:
- Sandra Neumeister
- 6.4.2 A motion is requested to approve the revised Health and Safety Plan as presented to the Board.
- 6.4.3 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to Hershey Chocolate World, Hershey, PA from the NSE PTO for 1<sup>st</sup> Grade students, teachers and chaperones on April 5, 6, and 7, 2022, with no costs to the District.
- 6.4.4 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 30, 2022, with no costs to the District.
- 6.4.5 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to Lake Tobias Wildlife Park, Halifax, PA, from the NSE PTO for 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade students, teachers and chaperones on May 17, 2022, with no costs to the District.
- 6.4.6 A motion is requested to approve The Nutrition Group as the District's Food Service Provider for the 2022-2023 school year with an estimated profit of \$44,461.49.
- 6.5 **Extracurricular Programs** (Douglas Gressens – Chairperson, Janine Simms, Roy Green)
- 6.5.1 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Gino Capone, as a Volunteer Softball Coach for the 2022 Spring Season.
- 6.5.2 Information Item
- 6.5.2-1 Spring Athletic Schedules

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 policies:

221.1 – Standard Dress Code

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 2022-2023 is \$0.00. [North Schuylkill's share for the 2020-2021 school year was \$0.00.]

9.2 Information Item

9.2-1 Election of School Board Members to the IU Board of Directors – Voting Ballots

10. **Other Items for Consideration**

10.1 Invitation to Public to Speak

11. **Dates for Future Meetings**

Wednesday, April 13

Wednesday, April 20

Committee Meetings – 6:30 p.m.

Board of School Directors Committee of the Whole – 6:30 p.m.

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

12. **Adjournment**