



**North Schuylkill School District  
Board of School Director  
Public Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday, November 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 – October 18, 2023
- 3.2 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting – October 18, 2023
- 3.3 Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting – October 17, 2023
- 3.4 Minutes of the Physical Facilities Committee Meeting –October 17, 2023
- 3.5 Minutes of the Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting – October 17, 2023
- 3.6 Minutes of the Food Service, Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting – October 17, 2023
- 3.7 Minutes of the Extracurricular Programs Committee Meeting – October 17, 2023
- 3.8 Minutes of the Policy/Legislative Committee Meeting – October 17, 2023
- 3.9 Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting – October 17, 2023
- 3.10 Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting – November 8, 2023
- 3.11 Minutes of the Physical Facilities Committee Meeting – November 8, 2023

- 3.12 Minutes of the Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting – November 8, 2023
- 3.13 Minutes of the Food Service, Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting – November 8, 2023
- 3.14 Minutes of the Extracurricular Programs Committee Meeting – November 8, 2023
- 3.15 Minutes of the Policy/Legislative Committee Meeting – November 8, 2023
- 3.16 Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting – November 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 – October 2023
  - 4.1.2 Financial Summary – Prior Year Comparison – October 2023
  - 4.1.3 General Fund Cash Accounts – October 2023
  - 4.1.4 Athletic Fund Summary – October 2023
  - 4.1.5 Capital Reserve & Capital Project Funds Financial Summary – October 2023
  - 4.1.6 Food Service Operating Statement – October 2023
  - 4.1.7 Expenditures – Check Register – 10/10/2023 through 11/10/2023
- 4.2 A motion is requested to approve a Real Estate Tax Exemption for a Disabled Veteran for parcel #43-02-0033.000, 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 Non-Corporate Resolution with Financial Northeastern Companies (FNC) to engage in cash and/or margin transactions in any and all forms of securities as presented to the Board.
- 4.4 A motion is requested to accept a donation of \$3,670.00 from the Family of Miriam Maurer to be used by the NS Elementary Music Department to assist students in the purchase of instruments or lessons. The donation is to honor the memory of Miriam E. Maurer who committed her life to music as evidenced by her 74 years as Church Organist at the Zion’s Reformed UCC in Ashland, PA.

**5. Communications**

Correspondence:  
 Frackville Free Public Library

## 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 Junior Spartans Basketball to use the former Cardinal Brennan Gym for a 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Tournament on March 7, 8, 9 and 10, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:45 p.m.

6.1.1-2 Junior Spartans Basketball to use the former Cardinal Brennan Gym for a 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Tournament on February 29, March 1, 2 and 3, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:45 p.m.

6.1.1-3 Junior Spartans Basketball to use the former Cardinal Brennan Gym for a 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Tournament on November 30, December 1, 2 and 3, 2023 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

6.1.1-4 Junior Spartans Basketball to use the NSE Gym for a 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Tournament on November 17, 2023 from 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; November 18 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and November 19, 2023 from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

6.1.1-5 Junior Spartans Basketball to use the NSE Gym for Basketball Practices on November 1, 2 and 3, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-6 Junior Spartans to use the NSE Gym for Travel Basketball Games on October 21, 22, 28 and 29, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.; December 10, 16, 17, 2023 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; January 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 and 28, February 3, 4, 10, 11, 17 18, 24 and 25, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-7 Junior Spartans to use the NSE Gym for Travel Basketball Practices on Sundays through Saturdays in November and December 2023, January, February and March 2024 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

6.1.1-8 NS Elementary Wrestling to use the Cesari-Hope Gym for 5:00 p.m.; January 7, 2024 from 10:45 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and January 28, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

6.1.1-9 NS Elementary Wrestling to use the Rick Edwards Wrestling Room for Elementary Wrestling Practices on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from November 2023 through February 2024 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

6.1.1-10 NS Cheerleading Boosters to use the JSHS Cafeteria for a Booster Meetings on October 17, 2023 and November 21, 2023 from 6:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

6.1.1-11 NS Football Boosters to use the JSHS Cafeteria and/or JSHS LGI Room for Team Dinners Thursdays (with the exception of one Wednesday in September) from August 24, 2023 through December 7, 2023 from 3:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

6.1.1-12 Schuylkill YMCA to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium for Swim Practices on September 26, 28, October 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26, 31, November 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30, December 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28, 2023 and January 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30, February 3, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29, March 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28, 2024 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

6.1.1-13 Schuylkill YMCA to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium for Swim Practices on October 22, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and October 29, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

6.1.1-14 Schuylkill YMCA to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium for a Swim Meet on November 5, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

6.1.1-15 West Schuylkill FC to use Ghosh Orthodontics Field at Spartan Stadium for Games on September 24, 2023 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

6.1.1-16 Junior Spartans to use the NSE Gym for Travel Biddy Basketball Practices on November 6, 2023 from 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

6.1.1-17 NS Cheerleading Boosters to use the JSHS Cafeteria for a Booster Meetings on November 19, 2023 and December 10, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

6.1.1-18 NS Cheerleading Boosters to use the JSHS Lower Lobby for Cheerleading Pictures with PSP on December 1, 2023 from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

6.1.1-19 Schuylkill YMCA to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium for Swim Practices on November 12, 19, 26, December 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2023, January 7, 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, 25, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

6.1.1-20 The following requests to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium, with fee applied to the request:

- ◆ Rhonda Bosco on December 10, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- ◆ Joe Tomtishen on September 23, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- ◆ Melissa Rodnick on October 15, 2023 from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ Melissa Zuccarini on October 29, 2023 from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ Tyler Wallen on November 4, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- ◆ Jennifer Reed on November 4, 2023 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- ◆ Ranotta Ahrensfield on November 11, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- ◆ Ann Hutira on November 19, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ Angela Huben on December 2, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

- ◆ Alexandria Tedesco on December 3, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- ◆ Brandy Sullivan on March 2, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
- ◆ Janelle Staudenmeier on November 26, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- ◆ Rebecca Bracey on March 23, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- ◆ Junior Spartans Basketball on December 17, 2023 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

6.1.2 A motion is requested to approve the proposal from SchoolLockers.com for lockers for the team locker room at the Junior/Senior High School at a total cost of \$19,465.35.

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

- 6.2.1 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the employment of Kamryn Wolfe as a lifeguard and/or swim instructor at the Donald Bricker Natatorium at a rate of \$11.50 per hour.
- 6.2.2 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the employment of Regan Campbell as a lifeguard and/or swim instructor at the Donald Bricker Natatorium at a rate of \$11.50 per hour.

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

6.2.3 A motion is requested to approve a childbearing/childrearing leave request for Victoria Hornberger, Secondary Science Teacher, effective on or about February 28, 2024, until on or about May 1, 2024. She will use all available sick leave days and will then be on an unpaid FMLA Leave.

**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 employment of Ann Marie Kelly as a Part-Time Cafeteria Worker at a rate of \$12.25 per hour, pending a written satisfactory evaluation after a 90-day probationary period, effective October 23, 2023.
- 6.2.5 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the employment of Marybeth McCormick as a Part-Time Custodian at a rate of \$12.25 per hour, pending a written satisfactory evaluation after a 90-day probationary period, effective October 23, 2023.
- 6.2.6 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the employment of Terry Hafer as a Part-Time Custodian at a rate of \$12.25 per hour, pending a written satisfactory evaluation after a 90-day probationary period, effective November 6, 2023.
- 6.2.7 A motion is requested to approve the termination of Jessica Ludwig, Part-Time Cafeteria Worker effective October 23, 2023.

- 6.2.8 A motion is requested to approve the termination of Joanne Weikel, Part-Time Cafeteria Worker effective October 18, 2023.
- 6.2.9 A motion is requested to accept the resignation of Amanda Linhares, Part-Time Paraprofessional effective November 6, 2023.
- 6.2.10 Information Item
  - 6.2.10 -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 School District Letter of Agreement and the 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC Data Sharing Agreement with the Schuylkill IU 29 for the Cohort 12 After School Program.
- 6.3.2 A motion is requested to approve the IDEA – Section 619 Pass Through Funds Use of Funds Agreement for the 2023-2024 school year.
- 6.3.3 A motion is requested to approve the IDEA B Sub-Recipient Agreement for the 2023-20224 school year.
- 6.3.4 Information Item
  - 6.3.4 – 1 The North Schuylkill School District Comprehensive Plan 2024 – 2027 was placed on display November 1, 2023.

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

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 Belleayre Ski Resort, Highmount, New York, for NS Ski Club Members and chaperones on February 6, 2024 (Rain Date: February 13, 2024) with no costs to the District.

- 6.5.2 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Chris Glessner as an Assistant Baseball Coach for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$3,150.00.
- 6.5.3 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Steve Ennis as an Assistant Baseball Coach for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$3,130.00.
- 6.5.4 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Kieran Connors as an Assistant Baseball Coach for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$3,750.00.
- 6.5.5 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, John Chuma as a Volunteer Baseball Coach for the Spring 2024 Season.
- 6.5.6 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Robert Yesalusky as a Volunteer Baseball Coach for the Spring 2024 Season.
- 6.5.7 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Jaden Leiby as a Volunteer Baseball Coach for the Spring 2024 Season.
- 6.5.8 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Heath Leiby as a Volunteer Baseball Coach for the Spring 2024 Season.
- 6.5.9 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Luke Lapotsky as an Assistant Softball Coach for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$3,030.00.
- 6.5.10 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Jamie Palmerio as an Assistant Softball Coach (JV) for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$2,630.00.
- 6.5.11 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Shane McGrath as an Assistant Softball Coach (JH) for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$2,090.00.
- 6.5.12 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Jack Flynn as an Assistant Softball Coach for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$2,190.00.
- 6.5.13 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Bob Moyer as an Assistant Track Coach for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$6,688.00.
- 6.5.14 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Tony Chatkiewicz as an Assistant Track Coach for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$4,200.00.

6.5.15 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Matt Klingerman as an Assistant Track Coach for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$1,675.00.

6.5.16 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Brooke Ennis as an Assistant Track Coach for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$1,975.00.

6.5.17 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Corey Mentzer as an Assistant Track Coach for the Spring 2024 Season at a salary of \$3,275.00.

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

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

815 – Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers and Network Resources

819 – Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response

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

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

9. **Other Reports**

10. **Other Items for Consideration**

10.1 Invitation to Public to Speak

11. **Dates for Future Meetings**

Wednesday, December 6 Board of School Directors Reorganization Meeting – 7:00 p.m.  
Board of School Directors Regular Meeting will immediately follow the Reorganization Meeting

12. **Adjournment**