



**North Schuylkill School District  
Board of School Director  
Public Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday, February 21, 2024**

**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 – January 17, 2024
- 3.2 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting – January 17, 2024
- 3.3 Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting – January 17, 2024
- 3.4 Minutes of the Physical Facilities Committee Meeting – January 17, 2024
- 3.5 Minutes of the Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting – January 17, 2024
- 3.6 Minutes of the Food Service, Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting – January 17, 2024
- 3.7 Minutes of the Extracurricular Programs Committee Meeting – January 17, 2024
- 3.8 Minutes of the Policy/Legislative Committee Meeting – January 17, 2024
- 3.9 Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting – January 17, 2024

**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 – January 2024
  - 4.1.2 Financial Summary – Prior Year Comparison – January 2024
  - 4.1.3 General Fund Cash Accounts – January 2024
  - 4.1.4 Athletic Fund Summary – January 2024
  - 4.1.5 Capital Reserve & Capital Project Funds Financial Summary – January 2024

- 4.1.6 Food Service Operating Statement – January 2024
- 4.1.7 Expenditures – Check Register – 1/6/2024 through 2/9/2024
- 4.2 A motion is requested to approve the purchase of Armor Mesh Windscreen for the Robert Wetzel Field (Baseball) from Pioneer Athletics, Cleveland, Ohio at a cost of \$7,763.32.
- 4.3 A motion is requested to approve the purchase of Armor Mesh Windscreen for the Dot Seidel Field (Softball) from Pioneer Athletics, Cleveland, Ohio at a cost of \$5,111.56.
- 4.4 A motion is requested to award the school picture contracts for the 2024-2025, 2025-2026, 2026-2027 school years to Professional School Photography, Tuscarora, Pennsylvania.
- 4.5 A motion is requested to approve the Partnership Agreement with Joe Thurs Automotive in his five-year commitment of \$10,000.00 to the District.
- 4.6 A motion is requested to approve the donation of \$250.00 to the Friendship Fire Company #1, Frackville, PA for services relating to the fire alarm system.
- 4.7 A motion is requested to approve a Real Estate Tax Exemption for a Disabled Veteran for parcel #43-03-0662.000, Schuylkill County, in accordance with tax exemption regulations specified in House Bill 1878, dated March 17, 1978.

**5. Communications**

Correspondence:

Frackville Little League

**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 Ashland Little League to use the Patrick Kempsey Sports Complex for Baseball Practices on Mondays through Fridays from March through June 2024 and July 1, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-2 Ashland Little League to use the Patrick Kempsey Sports Complex for Pioneer Baseball Games on Saturdays and Sundays from March through June 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-3 ASL Winter Swim League to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium for Swim League Pictures on February 4, 2024 from 10:45 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

6.1.1-4 ASL Winter Swim League to the Donald Bricker Natatorium for Swim Practice on January 19, 2024 from 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-5 NS Cheerleading Boosters to use the NSE Gym for Cheerleading Tryout Practices on April 18, 2024 from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-6 NS Cheerleading Boosters to use the NSE Gym for Cheerleading Tryouts on April 20, 2024 from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

6.1.1-7 NS Cheerleading Boosters to use the JSHS Cafeteria for a Booster Meeting on February 20, 2024 from 6:45 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-8 Spartan Wrestling Boosters to use the JSHS LGI Room for a Booster Meeting on February 19, 2024 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-9 Spartan Wrestling Boosters to use the Cesari-Hope Gymnasium for MAWA Set Up on March 15, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and the MAWA Tournament on March 16, 2024 from 6:45 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

6.1.1-10 Spartan Wrestling Boosters to use the Rick Edwards Wrestling Room for NSE Practices on February 12, 14, 16, 19, 21, 23, 26 and 28, 2024 and March 1, 4, 6, 8, 11, 13 and 15, 2024 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-13 Spartan Wrestling Boosters to use the Cesari-Hope Gymnasium to set up the Wrestling Tournament on February 15, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

6.1.1-14 West Schuylkill FC to use the Ghosh Orthodontics Field at Spartan Stadium for West Schuylkill FC Training on March 19, 2024 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

6.1.1-15 The following requests to use the Donald Bricker Natatorium, with fee applied to the request:

◆ Amanda Landis on March 9, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

◆ Amy Yotko on March 24, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

◆ Anthony Tenaglia on April 6, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

◆ Jess Thompson on April 7, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

◆ Kristen White on March 10, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

◆ Lindsey Houser on March 17, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

◆ Maria Nikolaou on March 16, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

◆ Nancy Snyder on January 27, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

◆ Sherry Cook on March 23, 2024, from 2:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

6.1.2 A motion is requested to approve the revised Facility Use Fee Schedule as presented to the Board.

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

6.2.1 A motion is requested to approve a salary adjustment for the School Psychologists of \$5,000.00 each, retroactive for the 2023-2024 school year. For the 2024-2025 school year, each School Psychologist will receive \$5,000.00 (which would include their annual raise as set forth in the Act 93 Agreement). The NSSD School Board reserves to the right to adjust salaries of individuals necessary for the District to remain competitive within the local job market according to the School Law and the Act 93 Agreement.

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

6.2.2 A motion is requested to approve the appointment of Kelly Laudeman as Title I Coordinator at a yearly stipend of \$5,000.00.

**The following motion items 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 resignation of Tangie Wetzel, Part-Time Cafeteria Worker effective January 8, 2024.

6.2.4 A motion is requested to accept the resignation of Carley Tutko, Part-Time Cafeteria Worker effective January 29, 2024.

6.2.5 A motion is requested to accept the retirement notice from Ann Rizzardi, Part-Time Paraprofessional effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

6.2.6 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the employment of Lindsay Fetterolf as a Part-Time Paraprofessional at a rate of \$12.25 per hour, pending a written satisfactory evaluation after a 90-day probationary period, effective February 12, 2024.

6.2.7 Information Item

6.2.7 -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 the 2024-2025 Junior/Senior High School Course Information Guide – Grades 7 through 8 as presented to the Board.

6.3.2 A motion is requested to approve the 2024-2025 Junior/Senior High School Course Selection Guide – Grades 9 through 12 as presented to the Board.

- 6.3.3 A motion is requested to approve the 2023-2024 School Calendar revision necessitated by a weather cancellation.
- 6.3.4 A motion is requested to approve the changes made to the requirements for the National Honor Society. Students must obtain a 98% weighted average to be considered for the National Honor Society for the 2024-2025 school year.
- 6.3.5 A motion is requested to approve the CSIU Migrant Education Program School District Partnership Agreement as presented to the Board.
- 6.3.6 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to the Whitaker Center, Harrisburg, PA, from Kelly Boyer, Science Teacher for Human Physiology and AP Biology Students, Teachers and Chaperones on March 12, 2024.

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 2023-2024 school year:

Jamie Jones	Awilda Vazquez-Perez
Tyler Saylor	

- 6.4.2 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to Clyde Peeling’s Reptiland, Allenwood, PA from the NSE PTO for 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Students, teachers, chaperones on May 2, 2024.
- 6.4.3 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to First Energy Stadium (Reading Phillies), Reading, PA from the NSE PTO for 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students, teachers, chaperones on May 21, 2024.
- 6.4.4 A motion is requested to approve a field trip request to the Electric City Aquarium, Scranton, PA from the NSE PTO for 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Students, teachers, chaperones on April 11 and 18, 2024.

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

- 6.5.1 A motion is requested to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the North Schuylkill Education Association for the revision of Appendix A – 2 in the NSEA Contract dated July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.
- 6.5.2 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Brandon McGaw as a Volunteer Baseball Coach for the Spring 2024 Season.

- 6.5.3 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Brian Fetterolf as a Volunteer Diving Coach for remainder of the 2023-2024 season.
- 6.5.4 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Khristian Onuschak as an Assistant Track Coach for the 2024 Season at a salary of \$1,575.00.
- 6.5.5 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Gene Lapointe as a Junior High Track Coach for the 2024 Season at a salary of \$1,575.00.
- 6.5.6 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Corey Mentzer as a Volunteer Assistant Track Coach for the 2024 Season.
- 6.5.7 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Greg Lavas as a Volunteer Assistant Track Coach for the 2024 Season.
- 6.5.8 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Aaron Lynn as a Volunteer Assistant Track Coach for the 2024 Season.
- 6.5.9 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Tara Mentzer as a Volunteer Assistant Track Coach for the 2024 Season.
- 6.5.10 Information Item
  - 6.5.10-1 Spring Athletic Schedules

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

- 6.6.1 A motion is requested to approve the second reading of the following policy:
  - 222 – Tobacco and Vaping Products
- 6.6.2 A motion is requested to approve the first reading of the following policies:
  - 200 – Enrollment of Students
  - 202 – Eligibility of Nonresident Students
  - 217 – Graduation
  - 254 – Educational Opportunity for Military Children
  - 610 – Purchases Subject to Bid/Quotation
  - 611 – Purchases Budgeted
  - 810 – Transportation
  - 903 – Public Participation in Board Meetings

6.6.3 Information Item

There was an administrative change to an attachment for Policy 626 – Federal Fiscal Compliance, the attachment is Procurement – Federal Programs. The bidding and price quotation thresholds were revised.

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 2024-2025 is \$0.00. [North Schuylkill's share for the 2023-2024 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 2024-2025 is \$746,052.00. (North Schuylkill's share for 2022-2023 was \$743,409.00.)

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, March 20      Board of School Directors Committee of the Whole – 6:30 p.m.  
Committee Meetings – 7:00 p.m.  
Board of School Directors Regular Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

12. **Adjournment**