

NORTH EAST SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023

NORTH EAST ELEMENTARY CENTER

6:00 PM

AGENDA

- I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. ROLL CALL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS
- III. AGENDA REVISIONS
- IV. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS and STAFF
 - A. CLASS Act Nominee for May – Lucas Boyd
 - B. Staff Retiree Recognition
 - Mrs. Cindy Carlson
 - Mrs. Brenda Duda
 - Mrs. Mercedes Henning
 - Mrs. Joyce Keith
 - Mrs. Kira Newara
 - Ms. Deborah Rao
 - C. ECTS Students of the Month for 2022-23
 - D. NEHS Track Team state qualifiers
 - E. Envirothon student recognition
 - F. NEMS Science Olympics and PJAS student recognition
- V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
- VI. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS
 - A. Proposed Final Budget Updates and Discussion – Mr. Jeffrey Fox
- VII. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT: District News and Initiatives – Dr. Michele Hartzell
- VIII. BOARD REPORTS
 - A. North East Recreation Commission – Mr. Eric Riedel / Mr. James Wargo
 - B. Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit – Dr. Jane Blystone
 - C. Erie County Technical School – Mr. Corrie Boyd
 - D. School Health Council – Mrs. Sally Abata
- IX. ITEMS FOR ACTION
 - A. MINUTES
 1. It is recommended that the board approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 18, 2023.

B. BUSINESS

1. It is recommended that the Board approve a resolution establishing the homestead and farmstead exclusions of \$16,233.00 for the 2023-2024 school year.
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the 2023-2024 Final Budget for the North East School District in the amount of \$28,663,782. Be it further resolved that the North East School District proposes levying a tax of 15.48 mills per dollar of market value on real estate (3.82% increase from 2022-2023), and under Act 511 of 1965, a one percent earned income tax (school district share .5%), and a one percent real estate transfer tax (school district share .5%) under the same Act 511.

C. PERSONNEL

1. It is recommended that the Board employ Ms. Bethany Reilly (District Substitute List) as a Full-time Grade 6 Learning Support – North East Middle School, Temporary Professional Employee Status at salary Step M-2 (2022-23 rate is \$48,250; 2023-24 rate TBD) with respective benefits pending any remaining pre-employment requirements and effective August 24, 2023.
2. It is recommended that the Board employ Ms. Sarah Trevelline (District Substitute List) as a Bus Driver (approximately 3.75 hours per day at \$20.50 per hour) without benefits for a 60-working-day probationary period as per contract pending any pre-employment requirements and effective June 2, 2023. Following the probationary period, the rate will remain the same.
3. It is recommended that the Board employ Mrs. Denise Fox as a Long-term Substitute Family & Consumer Science Teacher – North East High School, at a salary of \$195.00 per day retroactive to April 19, 2023 and consecutively through June 7, 2023 without benefits as per Board Policy 305.
4. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Mrs. Tracy Brumett, Grade 6 Language Arts teacher – North East Middle School, effective June 8, 2023.
5. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Mrs. Melissa Conway, Grade 6 Language Arts teacher – North East Middle School, effective June 8, 2023.
6. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Mrs. Amanda Warren, Autistic Support teacher – Davis Primary, effective June 8, 2023.
7. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Tyler Wittman, Cook's Helper – North East Middle School, effective May 25, 2023.
8. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Ms. Suzanne Undercofler, Cook's Helper – North East Middle School, effective June 7, 2023.

9. It is recommended that the Board approve the following individual(s) for the position of coach(es)/advisor(s) and intramural(s) for the 2023-2024 school year at the steps listed below, pending any remaining pre-employment requirements:

COACHING POSITIONS		Recommendation	Step	**22-23 Stipend
1	Aquatics Director	Jonathan Currier	-	**\$7500.00
2	Boys Basketball Head Coach	Steve Righi	D	**\$6,962.00
3	Girls Basketball Head Coach	Robert North*	C	**\$6,265.80
4	Winter Cheerleading Head Coach	Casee Blackmer	B	**\$1,775.31
5	Football Assistant Coach	John Graeb*	A	**\$3,341.76
6	Winter Weight Training Coach	Erik Rizzo	D	**\$1,159.87
7	Wrestling Head Coach	Matthew Humes	D	**\$6,265.80
ADVISORY POSITIONS – HIGH SCHOOL		Recommendation	Step	Stipend
8	Marching Band Director	Stephan DeGrosky	D	**\$6,962.00
9	Marching Band 1 st Assistant	Matt Jones*	D	**\$4,316.44
10	Marching Band Assistant	Shawn Marie Gorrng*	D	**\$3,272.14
11	Marching Band Assistant	Ryan Lutz*	D	**\$3,272.14
12	Marching Band Assistant	Kayla Quick	D	**\$3,272.14
13	Marching Band Assistant	Victoria Schwartz	½ B	**\$1,390.66
14	Marching Band Assistant	Allora Lee*	-	Volunteer
15	Marching Band Assistant	Emma Esterline*	-	Volunteer
16	Marching Band Assistant	Aaron Schwartz*	-	Volunteer
17	Senior Band Director	Stephan DeGrosky	D	**\$1,044.30
18	Senior Chorus Director	Michael Heid	C	**\$939.87
19	Life Smarts Advisor	Greg Henning	D	**\$1,044.30
20	Model United Nations Advisor	Greg Henning	D	**\$696.20
21	Musical Director	Ryan Ingram*	D	**\$2,854.42
22	Musical Instrumental Director	Stephan DeGrosky	D	**\$2,367.08
23	Musical Vocal Director	Michael Heid	C	**\$2,130.37
24	Musical Co-Stage Manager	Jessica Stetson	½ D	**\$1,183.54
25	Musical Co-Stage Manager	Emily Tronccone	½ A	**\$946.83
26	Musical Choreographer	Jenna Baker*	B	**\$1,006.01
27	Musical Set Design	Nico Lombardo*	B	**\$1,006.01
28	Night on Broadway	Michael Heid	B	**\$591.77
29	Senior Play Director	Ryan Ingram*	D	**\$1,879.74
30	Senior Play Assistant Director	Michael Heid	C	**\$1,253.16
31	Senior Play Stage Manager	Jessica Stetson	D	**\$1,392.40
32	Senior Class Co-Advisor	Adam Denevic	½ C	**\$595.25
33	Sophomore Class Co-Advisor	Kenzi Kuhn	½ B	**\$443.83
34	Sound & Lighting Manager	Michael Heid	B	**\$1,775.31
35	Vocal Ensemble Advisor	Michael Heid	C	**\$939.87
ADVISORY POSITIONS – MIDDLE SCHOOL		Recommendation	Step	Stipend
36	Middle School Band Director	Stephan DeGrosky	D	**\$1,044.30
37	Middle School Chorus Director	Michael Heid	C	**\$939.87
38	Middle School Dance Team Advisor	Jessica Stetson	D	**\$1,044.30
39	Elementary Music	Timothy Skelly	D	**\$348.10
40	Middle School Student Council Co-Advisor	Ryan Cassidy	½ C	**\$469.94
41	Middle School Student Council Co-Advisor	Emily Tronccone	½ C	**\$469.94
INTRAMURAL COACHES & ADVISORS		Recommendation	Step	Stipend
	None recommended for this meeting			
*Non-employee pending remaining paperwork				
** Actual Coaching Stipends for 2023-24 to be updated following official contract ratification				

10. It is recommended that the Board approve the following individual(s) to the 2022-2023 District Substitute List pending any pre-employment requirements:

INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF	
1	Tracy Brumett – Elementary K-6
2	Melissa Conway – Elementary K-6 and Special Education N-12
SUPPORT STAFF	
	None recommended for this meeting

11. It is recommended that the Board employ Dorian Bailey as a summer 2023 grounds employees for 8 hours per day at a salary of \$14.00 per hour effective June 12 through approximately August 18, 2023.

12. It is recommended that the Board approve leaves of absence for the individual(s) listed below.

	Staff Member	Position/Location	Duration
1	Employee A	Instructional Staff – NEIE	FMLA May 24 – June 8, 2023

13. It is recommended that the Board approve the following individuals as Freeport Beach Lifeguards for the summer 2023 season pending any remaining pre-employment requirements at a rate of \$17.00 per hour plus an additional \$2.00 per hour stipend upon successful completion of the season.

1	Rachel Gruber	4	Nathan Ryan
2	Emily Lawry	5	Macy Shickler
3	Anna Riedel		

14. It is recommended that the Board approve the following individuals as Summer Recreation Staff for the 2023 summer program pending any remaining pre-employment requirements:

	Name	Position	Rate
1	Kathryn Gnan	Director	Stipend of \$2,000.00
2	Ian Stoneking	Counselor	Stipend of \$750.00
3	Rebecca Swanson	Counselor	Stipend of \$750.00

15. It is recommended that the Board rescind the resignation request of Ms. Hannah Dietz as an Instructional Aide in the elementary Autistic Support classroom.

D. STUDENT TRAVEL REQUESTS – None

E. STAFF TRAVEL REQUESTS

(1) NAME/PARTICIPANT	DATE/TIME/PLACE	ITEMIZED CATEGORIES	EXPENSES PAID BY GRANTS, PARTICIPANTS, CLUBS, FUNDRAISERS, DONATIONS	EXPENSES PAID BY DISTRICT
District Administrative And Supervisory team members	July 10 - 13, 2023 Location TBD	Training Team Building Activities Lodging Meals	-0-	\$500.00 \$700.00 \$1,400.00 \$700.00
TOTALS			-0-	\$3,300.00
PURPOSE: Administrative Retreat				

F. CURRICULUM – None

G. ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL/OPERATIONAL FUNCTIONS

1. It is recommended that the Board appoint Mr. Paul Behnken as Treasurer effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.
2. It is recommended that the Board approve the attached agreement between the North East School District and the Highmark Caring Foundation for learning school-based peer support groups for grieving students effective with the 2023-2024 school year.
3. It is recommended that the Board approve the attached service agreement between the North East School District and the Achievement Center for school based outpatient clinic services for the 2023-2024 school year.

H. ITEMS FOR FUTURE PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND/OR BOARD ACTION

- June 22 at 7:00 p.m.: Approval of the Graduating Class
Instructional Tenures and Contract Extensions

I. UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS

- 8th Grade Sendoff – June 2
- Graduation – Saturday, June 3
- NEMS Field & Explore Day – June 5
- STEM & Stocking for Grades 9-11 – June 5
- Last Day for K-11 (Half day dismissal) – June 7

X. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

XI. ADJOURNMENT