

**NORTH EAST SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS**

**THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2026**

**NORTH EAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**6:30 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. NEMS Road to Gold honorees for the month of March – Sophie Grubert, Luca Messina, Roslyn Rink, Vincent Lambert, Brieona Youngs, and Abigail Elwell
  - B. Yearbook – Emily Boboshko, MacKenzie Hatt, Vera Kaizer, Olivia Pike, Miah Skelly
  - C. Life Smarts – Emily Boboshko, Natalie Nagle, Kate Nishnick, Miah Skelly, Daniel Walk
  - D. Swimming – Paige VanTassell
  - E. Wrestling – Bryson Galloway, Logan Latimore, Kyler See, Kael Kimmy, Rocky Kowle
- V. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS
  - A. Budget Updates/Discussion – Mr. Jeffrey Fox
- VI. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT: District News and Initiatives – Dr. Michele Hartzell
- VII. BOARD REPORTS
  - A. Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit – Dr. Jane Blystone
  - B. Erie County Technical School – Mr. Corrie Boyd
  - C. School Health Council – Mrs. Amanda Steeneck
- VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
- IX. ITEMS FOR ACTION
  - A. MINUTES
    - 1. It is recommended that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 19, 2026.
  - B. BUSINESS
    - 1. It is recommended that the Board approve the attached resolution authorizing the disposal of surplus property.

2. It is recommended that the Board accept the following bids for athletic supplies for the 2026-2027 school year:

BSN Sports	\$ 11,375.28
Collins	\$ 1,148.49
Colorado Time Systems	\$ 672.00
Demans	\$ 670.35
Henry Schein Medical	\$ 1,234.35
Leader Graphics	\$ 225.00
Medco Sports Medicine	\$ 851.60
M-F Athletic Company, Inc.	\$ 1,125.00
Pyramid	\$ 2,140.94
Riddell	\$ 15,616.26
Sportsmans Supply Co.	\$ 32,784.76
Varsity Spirit	\$ 1,529.00

TOTAL FOR APPROVAL \$69,373.03

3. It is recommended that the Board approve the attached change order to BEH Industries in the amount of \$6,721.52 for LED light fixtures at North East High School.
4. It is recommended that the Board approve HRI Supply & Design, Inc., for purchase of a dishwasher for the North East Elementary School kitchen by participation in the HRI COSTARS contract number COSTARS-036-E22-042 at a cost of \$54,839.50 from the food service fund.

C. PERSONNEL

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the following individual(s) to the 2025-2026 District Substitute List pending any pre-employment requirements:

INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF	
1	Emily Perry – Grades PK-4
SUPPORT STAFF	
2	Dalton Holthouse – Instructional Aides
3	Edwin Whitney – Non-CDL Van Drivers

2. It is recommended that the Board approve employ Ms. Bailey McMahon as a Full-time Grade Four Learning Support Teacher – North East Elementary School, Temporary Professional Employee Status at a salary of Step B-1 – base \$53,460 prorated with respective benefits effective retroactive to January 5, 2026.
3. It is recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Mrs. Christie Austin, Medical Assistant – North East High School, effective April 10, 2026.
4. It is recommended that the Board approve a leave of absence for the individual(s) listed below.

	Staff Member	Position/Location	Duration
1	Employee A	Support Staff – Elementary School	Intermittent FMLA March 13 – June 5, 2026
2	Employee B	Instructional Staff – Elementary School	FMLA April 6 – June 5, 2026

- 5 It is recommended that the Board approve the following individual(s) for the position of coach(es)/advisor(s) and intramural(s) for the 2025-2026 school year at the steps listed below, pending any remaining pre-employment requirements:

COACHING POSITIONS		Recommendation	Step	Stipend
1	Track Assistant Coach	Brock Pennington*	-	Volunteer
ADVISORY POSITIONS – HIGH SCHOOL		Recommendation	Step	Stipend
2	Ecology Club Advisor	Jenna Smith	C	\$675.00
3	Ecology Club Advisor	Samantha Szoszorek	-	Volunteer
4	Musical – Choreographer	Jenna Baker*	D	\$1,274.00
ADVISORY POSITIONS – MIDDLE SCHOOL		Recommendation	Step	Stipend
	None recommended for this meeting			
INTRAMURAL COACHES & ADVISORS		Recommendation	Step	Stipend
	None recommended for this meeting			

\*Non-employee pending remaining paperwork

**D. STUDENT TRAVEL REQUESTS**

(1) NAME/PARTICIPANT	DATE/TIME/PLACE	ITEMIZED CATEGORIES	EXPENSES PAID BY GRANTS, PARTICIPANTS, CLUBS, FUNDRAISERS, DONATIONS	EXPENSES PAID BY DISTRICT
History Club – 4 students Morgan Gulley Michelle Michali	April 24 – 26, 2026 University of Scranton 800 Linden St. Scranton, PA 18510	Transportation (van) Substitutes Registration Lodging Meals	-0-	\$343.44 \$175.00 \$300.00 \$610.20 \$563.00
<b>TOTALS</b>			-0-	\$1,991.64
<b>PURPOSE:</b> National History Day State Competition				

(2) NAME/PARTICIPANT	DATE/TIME/PLACE	ITEMIZED CATEGORIES	EXPENSES PAID BY GRANTS, PARTICIPANTS, CLUBS, FUNDRAISERS, DONATIONS	EXPENSES PAID BY DISTRICT
Science Olympics – approx. 29 MS & HS students Jonathan Currier Corey Hansen Sara Bentley	April 24 – 25, 2026 Penn State Altoona 3000 Ivyside Park Altoona, PA 16601	Transportation (vans) Substitute Registration & Lodging Meals	-0-	\$911.52 \$87.50 \$2,164.50 \$1,949.75
<b>TOTALS</b>			-0-	\$5,113.27
<b>PURPOSE:</b> Science Olympics state competition				

(3) NAME/PARTICIPANT	DATE/TIME/PLACE	ITEMIZED CATEGORIES	EXPENSES PAID BY GRANTS, PARTICIPANTS, CLUBS, FUNDRAISERS, DONATIONS	EXPENSES PAID BY DISTRICT
PBIS VIP approx. 110 NEMS Students Corey Garland Dara Allen LS staff 3 Reg Ed teachers	May 13, 2026 UPMC Park 110 E. 10 <sup>th</sup> St. Erie, PA 16501	Transportation (buses) Admission	*\$1,760.00	\$613.44
<b>TOTALS</b>			*\$1,760.00	\$613.44
*Participants will pay for their own admission				
<b>PURPOSE:</b> Reward for VIP students (honor roll, no discipline referrals and positive attendance)				

(4) NAME/PARTICIPANT	DATE/TIME/PLACE	ITEMIZED CATEGORIES	EXPENSES PAID BY GRANTS, PARTICIPANTS, CLUBS, FUNDRAISERS, DONATIONS	EXPENSES PAID BY DISTRICT
PJAS – 31 MS & HS students Paul Becker Ian Williams Timea Kardos Grisel Rater Ashton Houppert Danielle Kosslow	May 17 – 19, 2026 Penn State Main Campus 201 Old Main University Park, PA 16802	Substitutes Registration, Lodging & Transportation Meals	-0-	\$2,100.00 \$9,740.00
<b>TOTALS</b>			-0-	\$11,840.00
<b>PURPOSE:</b> PJAS State Competition				

(5) NAME/PARTICIPANT	DATE/TIME/PLACE	ITEMIZED CATEGORIES	EXPENSES PAID BY GRANTS, PARTICIPANTS, CLUBS, FUNDRAISERS, DONATIONS	EXPENSES PAID BY DISTRICT
HS seniors approx. 90 students Mark Hughes Natalie Lacy Samantha Jones Michelle Michali Mary Shannon One Additional TBD	May 29, 2026 Cedar Point One Cedar Point Drive Sandusky, OH 44870	Transportation (charter buses) Substitutes Admission Student Meals	*\$8,400.00 *\$875.00 *\$4,116.00 *\$1,875.42	-0-
<b>TOTALS</b>			*\$15,266.42	-0-
*All expenses to be paid out of senior class funds / fundraisers				
<b>PURPOSE:</b> Senior Class Trip				

(6) NAME/PARTICIPANT	DATE/TIME/PLACE	ITEMIZED CATEGORIES	EXPENSES PAID BY GRANTS, PARTICIPANTS, CLUBS, FUNDRAISERS, DONATIONS	EXPENSES PAID BY DISTRICT
Grade Two – approx. 92 students Classroom teachers Instructional aides Cleared parent chaperones	June 2, 2026 (Rain June 4) Erie Zoo 423 West 38 <sup>th</sup> Street Erie, PA 16508	Transportation (buses) Admission	*\$17.42 *\$682.00	\$385.75
<b>TOTALS</b>			*\$699.42	\$385.75
*Expenses paid by Elementary PTO				
<b>PURPOSE:</b> Students will learn about various animals and their habitats				

E. STAFF TRAVEL REQUESTS

(1) NAME/PARTICIPANT	DATE/TIME/PLACE	ITEMIZED CATEGORIES	EXPENSES PAID BY GRANTS, PARTICIPANTS, CLUBS, FUNDRAISERS, DONATIONS	EXPENSES PAID BY DISTRICT
Denise Pyle	May 4, 2026 PATTAN West Facility 3190 William Pitt Way Pittsburgh, PA 15238	Transportation (car)	-0-	\$205.07
<b>TOTALS</b>			-0-	\$205.07
<b>PURPOSE:</b> Menu Planning in Primero Edge				

F. CURRICULUM

1. Proposed ELA Resource Presentation – Mrs. Dina Hathaway

G. ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL/OPERATIONAL FUNCTIONS

1. It is recommended that the Board approve the attached agreement between the North East School District and the Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit for Language Instructional Educational Program services for the 2026-2027 school year.
2. It is recommended that the Board acknowledge a required intermittent review of Board Policy 246 – School Wellness. There are no recommended updates to the policy at this time.

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

- Budget Process Timeline:
  - Proposed Final Budget Presentation – April 23, 2026
  - Proposed Final Budget Approval – April 23, 2026
  - Final Budget Approval – June 3, 2026

## I. UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS

- Kindergarten Registration – Wednesday, April 15, 2026
- Title I Parent Involvement Night – Thursday, April 16, 2026 – Invitation Only
- NOCTI testing at ECTS – April 20 – 24
- PSSA Testing in Grades 3-8:
  - NEMS April 21-23 and April 28-30
  - NEES April 21-23, April 28-29, and May 5-6
- NEHS Musical “Wizard of Oz” – May 1, 2 and 3
- Keystone Testing and Senior Portfolio Reviews at NEHS – May 11, 15, and 18

## X. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

## XI. ADJOURNMENT