



**North Schuylkill School District
Board of School Director
Public Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, June 23, 2021
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

NS Track and Field Team – Girls Track and Field State Championship

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion is requested to approve the minutes of the meetings referenced below:

- 3.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – May 19, 2021
- 3.2 Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting – May 19, 2021
- 3.3 Minutes of the Extracurricular Programs Committee Meeting – June 16, 2021
- 3.4 Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting – June 16, 2021
- 3.5 Minutes of the Physical Facilities Committee Meeting – June 16, 2021
- 3.6 Minutes of the Curriculum & Instruction Committee Meeting – June 16, 2021
- 3.7 Minutes of the Food Service, Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting – June 16, 2021
- 3.8 Minutes of the Policy/Legislative Committee Meeting – June 16, 2021
- 3.9 Minutes of the Personnel Committee Meeting – June 16, 2021

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 – May 2021
 - 4.1.2 Financial Summary – Prior Year Comparison – May 2021
 - 4.1.3 General Fund Cash Accounts – May 2021
 - 4.1.4 Athletic Fund Summary – May 2021
 - 4.1.5 Capital Reserve & Capital Project Funds Financial Summary – May 2021
 - 4.1.6 Food Service Operating Statement – May 2021
 - 4.1.7 Expenditures – Check Register – 5/20/2021 through 6/23/2021
- 4.2 A motion is requested to approve the School District’s “Final Budget” for the 2021-2022 fiscal year in the amount of \$32,413,045.00 in accordance with School Board Policy.
- 4.3 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 2021-2022 fiscal year.

	<u>2020-2021</u>	<u>2021-2022</u>
Real Estate – Schuylkill County	43.65 mills	45.14 mills
Real Estate – Columbia County	43.65 mills	45.14 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

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

Discount Period – ends August 31, 2021

Regular (face amount) period – ends October 31, 2021

Tax installments no later than the following dates:

- August 31, 2021
- September 30, 2021
- October 31, 2021

4.5 A motion is requested to approve the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

43-04-0156.000 – 22 South Lehigh Avenue, Frackville Borough
Bidder: Luis Ramirez
Bid Amount: \$6,419.16

4.6 A motion is requested to approve the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

43-04-0489.000 – 17 North Broad Mt. Avenue, Frackville Borough
Bidder: Yoselyn A. Gomez Torres
Bid Amount: \$2,449.91

4.7 A motion is requested to approve the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

43-06-0062.000 – 434 South Lehigh Avenue, Frackville Borough
Bidder: Mario Ramirez Matos
Bid Amount: \$3,951.73

4.8 A motion is requested to approve the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

38-03-0186.000 – 213 Centre Street, Ashland Borough
Bidder: Karina Pepin
Bid Amount: \$5,888.00

4.9 A motion is requested to approve the "Private Tax Sale" of the following property that has an offer received:

38-02-0257.000 – 1227 Centre Street, Ashland Borough
Bidder: Advanced Consulting, Inc.
Bid Amount: \$3,248.93

4.10 A motion is requested to approve the Appointment of Delegate Resolution for the Tax Collection Committee (TCC) in accordance with Section 505(b) of Act 32 appointing the following individuals to serve as North Schuylkill's voting delegates:

Primary Delegate – Business Manager
First Alternate – Superintendent
Second Alternate – Board Secretary or
Mahanoy Area School District Business Manager

Note: The Resolution is for 2022.

4.11 A motion is requested to approve an agreement with Herring Roll & Solomon, P.C., Sunbury, PA for Audit Services as follows:

Fiscal year ending June 30, 2021	\$13,975
Fiscal year ending June 30, 2022	\$13,975
Fiscal year ending June 30, 2023	\$13,975

- 4.12 A motion is requested to authorize the Superintendent and Business Manager to approve plans/use of funds during the summer months due to time constraints of scheduled Board Meetings. Approvals by the Superintendent and Business Manager will be added to the next available agenda for ratification.
- 4.13 A motion is requested to authorize the advertisement for a GESA Contractor consistent with the provisions of Policy 610.

5. Communications

Correspondence:
Brian Wolfe

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 Lynn Minalda and Ellen Geidner, Health and Physical Education Teachers to use the Swimming Pool for American Red Cross Swim Lessons from June 21, 2021 through July 2, 2021, Mondays through Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

6.1.1-2 Spartan Cheerleading Boosters to use the JSHS Lower Parking Lot for distribution of the Chick-fil-A and Dips Fundraisers on June 22, 24 and 29, 2021 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

6.1.1-3 Spartan Cheerleading Boosters to use the NSE Gym for a Junior High Cheer Camp (run by UCA) on July 15, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and July 16, 2021 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- 6.1.2 A motion is requested to approve the Naming Rights Agreement with Dr. Sam Ghosh Orthodontics in their ten-year commitment of \$40,000 in the naming of the Ghosh Orthodontics Field at Spartan Stadium.

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

- 6.2.1 A motion is requested to appoint Dr. Rob Thurich, Ashland, as the School Doctor for the North Schuylkill School District for the 2021-2022 school year at the following rates:

Non-Athletic Physical Exams: \$8.00 per child (same since 2011-2012)

IEP Reviews: \$8.00 per child (same since 2011-2012)

- 6.2.2 A motion is requested to appoint Dr. Frank Blozousky, Frackville, as the School Dentist for the North Schuylkill School District at the rate of \$3.00 per child examined for the 2021-2022 school year.
- 6.2.3 A motion is requested to approve the following individuals as teachers for the ACHIEVE Summer Camp Program:

Angela Kempsey	Susan Bisco
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- 6.2.4 A motion is requested to grant authority to the Superintendent to fill vacancies and transfer and employ the essential personnel within the District with ratification at the August and September 2021 Board Meetings.
- 6.2.5 A motion is requested to approve the Act 93 Agreement, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024, as presented to the Board.
- 6.2.6 A motion is requested to approve the Act 93 building assignments and salaries for the 2021-2022 school year as per the attachment.
- 6.2.7 A motion is requested to approve an Employment Contract for Robert Amos, Business Manager effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026.
- 6.2.8 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the employment of Ashley Hepler as a lifeguard and/or swim instructor at the Junior/Senior High School Swimming Pool at a rate of \$8.50 per hour.
- 6.2.9 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, the employment of Vivian Swartz as a lifeguard and/or swim instructor at the Junior/Senior High School Swimming Pool at a rate of \$8.50 per hour.

The following motion items 6.2.10 through 6.2.14 are in accordance with the NSSD/NSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement and District policies and procedures:

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

<u>Mentor</u>	<u>Inductee</u>
Kelly Boyer	Ed Pavalko
Justene Frushon	Megan Artley
Jackie O'Prey	Lindsey Houser

- 6.2.11 A motion is requested to approve a childrearing leave/FMLA request submitted by Kevin Keating, English Teacher, effective on or about August 18, 2021 until on or about September 20, 2021. Mr. Keating will be using no more than the number of his allotted and accumulated sick days.
- 6.2.12 A motion is requested to accept the resignation of William Lennox, Secondary Music Teacher, effective June 17, 2021.

6.2.13 A motion is requested to acknowledge the transfer/change of assignment for the following individual beginning with the 2021-2022 school year:

Jacob Shoener – Elementary Music Teacher to Secondary Music Teacher

6.2.14 A motion is requested to approve the union professional employee positions, building assignments and salaries for the 2021-2022 school year as per the attachment.

The following motion item 6.2.15 is in accordance with the NSSD/NSESPA Collective Bargaining Agreement and District policies and procedures.

6.2.15 A motion is requested to approve the union classified employee positions, building assignments and wage rates for the 2021-2022 school year as per the attachment.

6.2.16 Information Item

6.2.16-1 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 acknowledge the graduation of the Class of 2021 that took place on June 2, 2021. The attached list of students completed all requirements as attested by the principal and diplomas were awarded at the graduation exercises.

6.3.2 A motion is requested to approve the Emergency Instructional Time Template Section 520.1 – 2021-22 School Year as presented to the Board.

6.3.3 A motion is requested to approve the revised 2021-2022 School Calendar.

6.3.4 A motion is requested to approve the Language Instruction Education Program (LIEP) Service Agreement for 2021-2022 with the Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 as presented to the Board.

6.3.5 A motion is requested to approve the TIPS (Teacher Induction & Preparation for Service) Manual for the 2021-2022 school year as presented to the Board.

6.3.6 A motion is requested to approve the PA Chapter 339 K-12 School Guidance Plan for the 2021-2022 school year as presented to the Board.

- 6.3.7 A motion is requested to approve the Suicide Education, Prevention, and Intervention Guidelines for the 2021-2022 school year as presented to the Board.
- 6.3.8 A motion is requested to approve the Intent to Participate Agreement for the 2021-2022 Title III: Language Instruction for English Learners and Immigrant Students with the Schuylkill IU 29.
- 6.3.9 A motion is requested to approve the attached agreement/order form with edmentum for FSCA.

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 2020-2021 school year:

Philip Koles

- 6.4.2 A motion is requested to authorize participation by the North Schuylkill School District in the Child Nutrition Programs between School Districts, Vo-Techs and Intermediate Units during the 2021-2022 school year.
- 6.4.3 A motion is requested to approve the 2021-2022 Health and Safety Plan as presented to the Board.

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, Nick Brayford as Head Baseball Coach for the Spring 2022 Season at a salary of \$5,300.00.
- 6.5.2 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Dominick Grasso as Head Softball Coach for the Spring 2022 Season at a salary of \$4,500.00.
- 6.5.3 A motion is requested to approve, upon receipt of all appropriate documentation, Kevin Keating as Head Track and Field Coach for the Spring 2022 Season at a salary of \$3,300.00.
- 6.5.4 A motion is requested to accept the resignation of Bill Lennox for the positions of Band (Concert Band), Choral Director - JSHS Assistant and Play Music Director effective immediately.

6.5.5 A motion is requested to approve the following Supplemental Positions and salaries for the 2021-2022 school year:

Jacob Shoener	Band Director	Per CBA
Craig Wagner	Trap Club	Per CBA

6.6 **Policy/Legislative** (Mike Kiehl, Chairperson, Sue O'Neill, Glenn Weist)

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

800.1 – Electronic Signatures/Records
816 – District Social Media

6.6.2 A motion is requested to approve the revised Student Dress Code 2021-2022 as presented to the Board.

6.6.3 A motion is requested to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Butler Township Police Department for policies and procedures, as presented to the Board.

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, August 11	Committee Meetings – 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 18	Board of School Directors Regular Meeting – 7:00 p.m.

12. **Adjournment**