

**NORTHGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Monday, January 22, 2024 - 6:30 p.m.
Administrative Center Boardroom**

I. WELCOME, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 13, 2023 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING, THE NOVEMBER 20, 2023 REGULAR BOARD MEETING, AND THE DECEMBER 4, 2023 BOARD REORGANIZATION MEETING

III. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Special recognition is given to the following students: SPARK Ambassadors:

Oscar Bergmann
Aleyna Bowers
Savannah Easley
Abby Epton
Hannah Epton
Maggie Epton

Isobel Kabus
Auliyah Kaufmann
Addison Lott
Dominic McAfee
Sophia Pack
Grace Perkins

Eliza Piccirilli
Yoselin Ramos
Rylie Regrut
Kinsley Scott
Amelia Thompson

IV. STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT - Student Council Representative

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Hines

School Board Recognition Month

VI. VISITORS' COMMENTARY (Visitors: Please state your name and address; please limit your remarks to three (3) minutes or less. Please summarize your comments during this Visitors' Commentary time. Once the Board begins the "Items for Action" part of the Agenda, only comments sought by the Board will be recognized.)

VII. TREASURER'S REPORTS-November 2023 - Addendum I - Mrs. Robinson Motion
December 2023 - Addendum II

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VIII. ITEMS FOR ACTION

A. STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

- 1. Band Trip - Disney - Mrs. Patalano** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the request for the Band Director and Band to go on a trip to Disney in Orlando, FL from February 18-21, 2025. All expenses are to be covered by the Band Boosters and students.

- 2. Non-Athletic Supplemental** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the following supplemental contract for the 2023-24 Spring Musical, contingent upon submission of acceptable clearances:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Vocal Director	Lisa Harrier	\$1,500

- 3. Chess Club - Mrs. Lee** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve an after school Chess Club at Bellevue Elementary which will run one time per week for six weeks sponsored by Mr. John Skovran on a parent volunteer basis.

- 4. After School Tutoring - Dr. Bergmann** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve after school tutoring utilizing ESSER After School Set-Aside Funding at the elementary & secondary levels to be provided by building teachers at the rate of \$43 per hour (as per the Year 4 rate last listed in the CBA).

- 5. Secondary Course Catalog** Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve the secondary Course Catalog for the 2024/2025 school year as presented.

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- 6. AOPA Foundation - Mx. Eames** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve a partnership with the AOPA (Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association) Foundation in order to offer courses in aviation education in their Aviation STEM Program to high school students.

- 7. Allegheny Land Trust Science** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Allegheny Land Trust to deliver science instruction to kindergarten through 2nd grade students at no cost to the district.

- 8. Inductee/Mentor - Mrs. Lee** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the following staff member to serve as a mentor teacher during the 2023-24 school year as listed below:

<u>Inductee</u>	<u>Mentor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Alicia Dinell (Life Skills)	Melinda Malsch	\$400

- 9. Poland Trip - Mrs. Lindsey** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Mr. Zach Burn's participation in the Poland Personally 2024 Study Seminar through Classrooms Without Borders. The cost to the district is \$1,600.

B. DISTRICT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

- 1. Bill Lists and Tax Refunds - Mrs. Robinson** Motion

It is recommended the Board ratify the November and December 2023 Bill Lists found in Addendum III and approve the Tax Refunds found in Addendum IV.

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2. Activities & Athletics Report Motion

It is recommended that the Board accept the Northgate Middle/High School Activities and Athletic Accounts report for the period ending December 31, 2023. See Addendum V.

3. Appointment of Real Estate Tax Collector - Avalon Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Resolution 01-24-01 appointing Laureen Dowd as tax collector for Northgate School District for Avalon properties until December 31, 2025, and approving Jordan Tax Service, Inc. as Deputy Tax Collector for Mrs. Dowd. This is due to a vacancy in the position as no one was elected at the last municipal election. See Addendum VI.

4. AIU Joint Purchasing Program Resolution-Dr. Bergmann Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve a Resolution authorizing the participation in and appointment of representatives to the Allegheny Intermediate Unit Joint Purchasing Program for the 2024-25 school year.

5. Real Estate Assessment Appeals Program - Mr. Mehlo Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve the continuation of the District's Residential and Commercial Property Appeals Program in 2024 with Andrews & Price.

6. Wilson Agreement - Mrs. Pollanen Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve a 60-month lease agreement with The Wilson Group covering 10 Sharp multifunctional devices, 46 Brother desktop printers, four (4) Postbase Vision postage machines, and a five-year Papercut license at \$7,699.00 per month. The agreement transfers the district's existing lease obligations to The Wilson Group, provides a monthly savings of \$536.14, and includes a technology refresh option after 48 months.

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7. Water Treatment - Mr. Mehlo Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve a continuation of the District's water treatment contract with Chemway for an additional year at \$7,178.00.

8. Grounds Treatment Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve TruGreen Commercial to provide lawn care services at a cost of \$8,786.50, including fertilizer, weed controls and vegetation control treatments at Alumni Stadium and the three school building grounds in the spring, summer and fall.

9. Kitchen Oven Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve the purchase of a Garland Double-Deck Natural Gas Convection Oven from Alto-Hartley at a cost of \$13,722.00 under the KPN Cooperative Contract.

10. Avalon Exterior Doors - Mrs. Lee Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve the purchase of new exterior entry doors for B1 at Avalon Elementary at a cost of \$14,685.00 under the PA CoStars Cooperative Contract.

11. Personnel Lift Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve the purchase of a personnel lift from Grainger at a cost of \$20,388.54 under the E&I Cooperative Services Contract.

12. Keys - Mrs. Lindsey Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve issuing high school master keys to Todd Goble, athletic director, and Linda Haag, guidance secretary. It is further recommended the Board approve issuing a grand master key to Dr. Nancy Hines, Interim Superintendent.

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13. Tree Pittsburgh MOU

Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve an agreement with Tree Pittsburgh to provide the district with no-cost educational resources from January 2024 to August 2027.

14. High School Exterior Doors - Mrs. Patalano

Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve the purchase of exterior doors for the High School from Builders Hardware at a cost of \$159,299.50 under PA CoStars Cooperative contract.

15. Bellevue Gymnasium Scoreboard

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the purchase of a Daktronics Scoreboard from Institutional Specialties, Inc. at a cost of \$8,050.00.

16. RWAN - Mr. Mehlo

Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve the renewal of our agreement to participate in the Regional Wide Area Network provided through AIU3 for the period beginning July 1 2024 through June 30, 2029, for wide area network service and July 1 2024 through June 30, 2029 for internet access services. These services will be provided at an estimated cost of \$5,394.00 per year.

17. Cell Phone

Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve the purchase of a cell phone for emergency and administrative travel purposes to ensure that any traveling administrators have access to all district resources and the ability to communicate with the rest of the team while away. This phone will come at a cost of approximately \$50 per month through Verizon.

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C. POLICIES - Mr. Rajakovic

1. 1st Reading Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the first reading of the following policies:

815 (rev) - Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers & Network
Resources

819 (rev) - Suicide Awareness, Prevention & Response

D. ADMINISTRATION - Dr. Hines

1. Finals site Renewal Motion

It is recommended the Board approve to renew a contract with Finals site to maintain the District website for 5 years beginning January 2024 at an annual cost increase of 3%.

2. Kennywood Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Saturday, May 25, 2024, as the official date for the Annual School Community Picnic at Kennywood Park.

3. Teacher Retirement Motion

It is recommended the Board accept the retirement resignation of Michael Pipak as social studies teacher effective July 1, 2024.

4. Part-Time Teacher Assistants Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the hiring of Elizabeth Pearl and Frank Beal as part-time teacher assistants, as recommended by the Superintendent, contingent upon submission of acceptable clearances.

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IX. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

A. A.W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER REPORT - Mx. Eames / Mrs. Patalano

X. OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

XI. VISITORS' COMMENTARY (Subject to time limitation or postponement at the board's discretion.) (Visitors: Please state your name and address; please limit your remarks to two (2) minutes or less. Please summarize your comments during this Visitors' Commentary time.)

XII. DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2024	Two-Hour Delay	All Buildings
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Monday, Feb. 12, 2024	5:30 p.m.	Student Affairs Committee
	Administrative Center Boardroom	

Monday, Feb. 12, 2024	7:00 p.m.	Business Operations Committee
	Administrative Center Boardroom	(& General Mtg., if needed)

Monday, Feb. 19, 2024	-----	No School
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Monday, Feb. 26, 2024	6:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting
	Administrative Center Boardroom	

XIII. ADJOURNMENT