

**NORTHGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, May 28, 2024 - 6:30 p.m.
Administrative Center Boardroom**

- I. EXECUTIVE SESSION - 5:30 p.m. (personnel)**
- II. WELCOME, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 8, 2024 COMMITTEE MEETINGS, AND THE APRIL 22, 2024 REGULAR BOARD MEETING**
- IV. SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

(Dr. Smith) - Special recognition is given to Kendall McKelvey - Gold Medal Swim Relay at state competition

(Dr. Bergmann) - Special recognition is given to the following students for advancing to the Pennsylvania Odyssey of the Mind State Finals. Special recognition is also given to the following OM Coaches and OM Board Members for their service to students, Northgate Odyssey of the Mind, and the district.

Avalon team that advanced to State Finals

Arriyana Billups	Zaiden George
Franco Caputo	Eli McKivigan (BES student)
Hannah Epton (BES student)	Lydia Winner

Avalon Coaches: Adam Winner, Valerie Cupps, Sarah Outly

Bellevue team that advanced to State Finals

Isabella Benner	Maggie Epton
Oscar Bergmann	Ezra Jones
Abby Epton	Axel Sloane

Bellevue Coaches: Rebecca Rukmanis, Sarah Denton, Katrina Eames, Todd Williams

Middle School team that advanced to State Finals

Harper Russell	Liam Schubert
Victoria Rice	Colette DeHart
Daryus Jones	Ayriana George
Noah Sadler	

Middle School Coach: Kristen Russell

OM Board of Directors: Lauren Rodriguez, Valerie Cupps

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V. STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT - Student Council Representative

VI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Hines

VII. 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.)

VIII. TREASURER'S REPORT - April 2024 - Addendum I - Mrs. Robinson Motion

IX. ITEMS FOR ACTION

A. STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

1. Swim Coach Resignation - Mrs. Patalano Motion

It is recommended the Board accept the supplemental contract resignation of Amy Charley as Head Swim Coach effective the end of the 2023-24 season.

2. Football Coach Resignations Motion

It is recommended the Board accept the supplemental contract resignation of Nate Brown as Middle School Football Coach effective April 12, 2024. It is further recommended the Board accept the supplemental contract resignation of Alex Glover as Middle School Football Coach effective May 6, 2024.

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3. Athletic Supplementals for Fall

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the following supplemental contracts for the fall of the 2024-25 school year as stated below, contingent upon submission of acceptable clearances:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Chris Lucas	Head V Football Coach	\$7,000
Francis Ramsden	1st Asst. V Football Coach	\$4,500
Mark Fratangelo	Asst. V Football Coach	\$4,000
Lewis Clark	Asst. V Football Coach	\$3,000
Dan Sefick	Asst. V & JV Football Coach	\$3,000
Ryan Long	Asst. V & JV Football Coach	\$3,000
Rod Weaver	MS Football Coach	\$3,000
Anthony Barron	MS Football Coach	\$3,000
Tiaura Hanner	Head Volleyball Coach	\$4,000
Cam Williams	1st Asst. Volleyball Coach	\$2,500
Brian Veshio	Head Cross Country Coach	\$4,000
Josh McFall	1st Asst. Cross Country Coach	\$2,500
Deanna Caldwell	Head Jr Girls' Basketball Coach	\$3,500

4. Volunteer Football Coaches - Mrs. Lee

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the following as Volunteer Football Coaches: Brennan Sefick, Logan Parsons, and Frank Camello, Sr.

5. Band & Bandfront Supplementals

Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve a supplemental contract for Jessica Haberman as Band Director for the 2024-25 school year in the amount of \$5,500. It is further recommended the Board approve a supplemental contract for Ashley McPaul as Bandfront Sponsor for the 2024-25 school year in the amount of \$2,500.

6. Additional Band Positions - Mrs. Robinson

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve a supplemental position be created, and posted, as recommended by the Superintendent, effective the beginning of the 2024-25 school year for a 1st Assistant Band Director in the annual amount of \$2,000. It is further recommended the

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Board approve a supplemental position be created, and posted, as recommended by the Superintendent, effective the beginning of the 2024-25 school year for a 2nd Assistant Band Director in the annual amount of \$1,500. These new positions are funded in part by reconfiguration.

7. Non-Athletic Supplemental Resignation Motion

It is recommended the Board accept the supplemental contract resignation of Maureen Wertheimer as Activities & Athletics Account Coordinator effective June 10, 2024.

8. Volleyball Supplemental Change Motion

It is recommended the Board ratify the position change and confirm a supplemental contract for Tiaura Hanner from 8th grade Volleyball Coach only to both an 8th grade Volleyball Coach in the amount of \$2,000 and 7th grade Volleyball Coach in the amount of \$2,000 for the spring season of the 2023-24 school year. It is further recommended the Board ratify the position change and confirm Anna Kirasic from 7th grade Volleyball Coach to an occasional volunteer Volleyball Coach for the spring season of the 2023-24 school year.

9. Foreign Language Trip - Dr. Bergmann Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the request for students and Cynthia Cromer, French Teacher, and Michael Bichko, Spanish Teacher, to be excused from school to attend a trip to France and Spain, March 25 - April 3, 2026. This will be a non-school funded trip.

10. Ron Clark Academy (RCA) Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Nicole Smith, Jason Clarkson, Jen Tusick, and Jeff Smith to attend the Ron Clark Academy Experience seminar July 7-9, 2024 in Atlanta at no cost to the district. All costs to be covered by RCA Experience Scholarships.

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11. Classrooms Without Borders Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Regis McDevitt's participation in a trip to southern U.S. states through Classrooms Without Borders during the summer. His participation will facilitate further review of U.S. History curriculum and instruction. The cost to the district is \$750. The remaining cost to be covered through Classrooms Without Borders.

12. NGPF Academy - Mx. Eames Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Jen Tusick to attend the Next Gen Personal Finance (NGPF) Academy for Personal Finance Curriculum Training at the Safe Schools Institute in Boca Raton, Florida on July 18, 2024. Cost not to exceed \$1,000 dollars and to be covered by the Startable grant.

13. School-Based ACCESS Prog. Addendum- Mrs. Lee Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the Addendum to Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) Comprehensive Services Agreement - 2024-25 for the AIU to provide support and assistance to the District in seeking reimbursement under Pennsylvania's School-Based ACCESS Program at an annual fee of \$5,000.

14. Donation of Books - Mrs. Lindsey Motion

It is recommended the Board accept a donation of books to be given to 2nd - 6th graders from Featherstone Books.

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B. DISTRICT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

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

It is recommended the Board ratify the April 2024 Bill List found in Addendum II and approve the Tax Refunds found in Addendum III.

- 2. Depositories** Motion

Section 621 of the Pennsylvania School Code requires, during the month of May, the Board of School Directors designate depositories for the forthcoming school year. It is recommended that the Board of School Directors designate the following multiple depositories for the fiscal year July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. [Citizens Bank; Huntington Bank; PA Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT); PA School District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF); PNC Bank].

- 3. Surety Bonds** - Dr. Bergmann Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve renewal of the following bonds: School Board Secretary's Bond, 7/1/24 to 6/30/25 - \$100; Treasurer's Bond, 4/21/24 to 4/21/25, \$100; Activities Account Coordinator's Bond, 8/16/24 to 8/15/25, \$100.

- 4. Board Treasurer** - Mrs. Pollanen Motion

Section 404 of the Pennsylvania School Code requires that the Board elect a Treasurer for the period of one (1) year. It is recommended that Mrs. Amy Robinson serve as Treasurer for the 2024-25 school year (July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025). Arrangements for securing the necessary bond for the Treasurer will be made by the Administration.

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5. Student Insurance - Mr. Mehlo Motion

a. Athletic

It is recommended that the Board approve United States Fire Insurance Company, an AIG insurance company, Plan AAA, to provide coverage to students while participating in interscholastic athletic programs, band, cheerleading, and/or school-sponsored activities at an estimated cost of \$9,950 for the 2024-25 school year.

b. Voluntary Student Insurance

It is recommended the Board approve United States Fire Insurance Company to provide voluntary student insurance for 2024-25 at no additional cost.

6. HVAC Maintenance Agreement - Mr. Mehlo Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve the HVAC Mechanical Preventive Maintenance Agreement Renewal with Gunning Inc. for a three-year term effective 07/01/2024 through 06/30/2027.

Year 1 Cost: \$41,184

Year 2 Cost: \$42,300

Year 3 Cost: \$43,572

7. Exhaust Fans Maintenance Agreement Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the Exhaust Fans Preventive Maintenance Agreement with Gunning Inc. for a three-year term effective 07/01/2024 through 06/30/2027.

Year 1 Cost: \$6,290

Year 2 Cost: \$6,460

Year 3 Cost: \$6,654

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8. Elem School Uni-Vents Maintenance Agreement Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the Elementary School Uni-Vents Preventive Maintenance Agreement with Gunning Inc. for a three-year term effective 07/01/2024 through 06/30/2027.

Year 1 Cost: \$14,340

Year 2 Cost: \$14,712

Year 3 Cost: \$15,154

9. H.S. Sidewalk & Curbing Motion

It is recommended the Board approve an agreement with Clark Contractors, Inc. for the replacement of select sidewalks and curbing as per the KPN JOC Cooperative Contract at a cost of \$81,553.14.

10. Pest Management Agreements - Mrs. Lee Motion

It is recommended the Board approve a one-year agreement with Orkin for pest management services at Avalon Elementary for \$979.20, Bellevue Elementary for \$979.20, and Northgate High School for \$1,094.40.

11. Summer Custodial Help Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Connor Patterson, Natalie Schubert, Jeremiah Knight, Sophia Lardo, AnnaJean Patalano, and Nicholas lezzi as summer custodial help at \$10 per hour.

12. Part-time Custodian Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve Alectra McNeal as a part-time custodian, as recommended by the Superintendent, contingent upon submission of acceptable clearances.

13. H.S. Boiler Power Burner #1 Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the purchase and installation of a new power burner for boiler #1 at the High School from Gunning Inc. at a cost of \$31,950.00 utilizing the PA CoStars Contract.

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14. H.S. Boiler #2 Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the purchase and installation of a new boiler to replace boiler #2 at the High School from Gunning Inc. at a cost of \$89,300.00 utilizing the PA CoStars Contract.

15. H.S. Office Roof-Top Unit - Mrs. Lindsey Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the purchase and installation of a new York 1-ton HVAC unit from Gunning Inc. at a cost of \$21,600.00 utilizing the PA CoStars Contract.

16. MRO Position Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the continuation of Clayton Berwick to assist the Facility Manager on an as-needed basis outside of the normal teacher work day at the current teacher contract coverage rate for the 2024-25 school year. Hours and work to be assigned by the Facility Manager.

17. Use of Facility Request - JP Gallery Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the request from JP Gallery for Performing Arts to use Avalon Elementary auditorium for a performance on Saturday, June 8, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. contingent upon proof of proper insurance coverage and a mutual hold harmless agreement. Applicable fees apply to this request.

18. Use of Facility Request - Solano Films Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the request of Solano Films to use the Middle/High School for two days this summer for a fee of \$3,500.00, which includes custodial coverage, contingent upon proof of proper insurance coverage and a mutual hold harmless agreement.

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- 19. Bellevue Elem. Playground - Mrs. Patalano** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the purchase and installation of playground replacement parts in the amount of \$19,387.00 from Jeffrey Associates under the PA CoStars Contract. \$16,497.00 of the cost will be paid for with PCCD Grant Funds, and the remaining \$2,890 will be paid for with district funds.

- 20. High School Painting** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve a proposal from Clark Contractors, Inc., as per KPN JOC Cooperative Contract, for specified high school painting projects in the amount of \$182,824.99.

- 21. Vehicle Purchase** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the purchase of a 2023 Ford F-350 4X4 Pickup Truck with Snow Plow and Salt Spreader package from Woltz & Wind Ford, Inc. at a cost of \$61,980.00 utilizing a PA CoStars Cooperative Contract 25-E22-401 Government Price Concession.

- 22. Cameras - Mr. Mehlo** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the installation of security cameras and infrastructure to support them for the Middle/High School garage and greenhouse by Horizon Information Services at a cost of \$11,370.20 to be taken from the 2024-25 fiscal year budget.

- 23. Microsoft EES Renewal** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the renewal of the Microsoft EES agreement for a further five years at a cost of approximately \$8,865.85 per year.

- 24. Laptop for Secondary Teachers** Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the purchase of 40 Dell Latitude 3540 laptops at a cost of \$724.23 per unit for a total cost of \$28,969.20, for the Middle/High School faculty. This purchase will be taken out of the 2024-25 fiscal year budget.

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25. School Messenger

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It is recommended the Board approve a three-year contract with PowerSchool for the School Messenger Add On at a cost of \$4,490 for the first year and \$2,600 for subsequent years. This cost is to be taken out of the 2024-25 fiscal year budget.

26. Bellevue Paging System

Motion

It is recommended that the Board approve the replacement of Bellevue Elementary's paging system with a CareHawk CH1000LT system by Horizon Information Services at a cost of \$22,395.00. This purchase will be funded as part of the 2024-25 fiscal year budget.

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

1. A.W. Beattie Career Center Budget

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the proposed A.W. Beattie Career Center 2024-25 Budget, as approved by A.W. Beattie Career Center Joint Operating Committee on May 1, 2024, in the amount of \$11,557,559.

D. ADMINISTRATION - Dr. Hines

1. Teacher Assistant #1 (23-24) Unpaid Day

Motion

It is recommended the Board ratify an unpaid half-day for teacher assistant #1 (23-24) on May 1, 2024.

2. Teacher Assistant #1 (24-25) Unpaid Leave

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve an unpaid leave for teacher assistant #1 (24-25) for the 1st semester of the 2024-25 school year.

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3. ESY Teachers

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It is recommended the Board approve Eileen Maiette, Melinda Malsch, Josh McFall, and Jayci Ross as Extended School Year (ESY) Teachers during the summer of 2024, as recommended by the Superintendent.

4. ESY Behavioral Specialist

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Krista Black as Extended School Year (ESY) Behavioral Specialist during the summer of 2024, as recommended by the Superintendent.

5. ESY Nurse

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Malla Mizikowski and Sarah Pawlik as Extended School Year (ESY) Nurses, during the summer of 2024, as recommended by the Superintendent.

6. ESY Teacher Assistants

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Elizabeth Entz, Patty Bowen, Amanda McNeal, Lianna Orellana, Pilar Lojacono, Lynn Bonnett, Ashley Williams, Alexa Falvo, Julie Monfredi and Amy Noble as Extended School Year (ESY) Teacher Assistants and Alexa Falvo as ESY Teacher Assistant for Camp AIM during the summer of 2024, as recommended by the Superintendent.

7. MOU with Police

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between and among the Avalon Police Department, the Bellevue Police Department and the Northgate School District that supports district-police collaboration and includes a general outline of roles and responsibilities.

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8. AIU Educational Services Agreement Motion

It is recommended the Board approve an Educational Services Agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) to provide special education services to students assigned by the District for the 2024-25 school year.

9. School Photographer Motion

It is recommended the Board approve an agreement with JostensPIX as the school photographer for Avalon Elementary, Bellevue Elementary and the Middle/High School for three years for the 2024-25, 2025-26 and 2026-27 school years at no cost to the District.

10. AHN-Alleg. Clinic Linkage Agreement Motion

It is recommended the Board approve to continue an agreement between Allegheny Clinic/Allegheny Health Network Psychiatry and Behavioral Health Institute to serve as a referral resource for students in need of behavioral health services in their outpatient and intensive outpatient mental health programs at no cost to the district for a period of two years for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 school years.

11. Teacher Retirement Motion

It is recommended the Board accept the retirement resignation of Sandra Durkin as elementary teacher at Bellevue Elementary School effective August 13, 2024.

12. Leave Teacher #6 (23-24) Motion

It is recommended the Board ratify a leave for Teacher #6 (23-24) consistent with FMLA guidelines that include concurrent use of available sick days effective April 15, 2024.

13. Secretary Transfer to 12-month Position Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Amy Pizzica to transfer from the 10-month to the 12-month secretary position at the Middle/High School effective July 1, 2024.

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14. Secretary Transfer to 10-month Position

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Rhen Basil to transfer from the 12-month to the 10-month secretary position at the Middle/High School effective July 1, 2024.

15. Teacher Assistant Retirement

Motion

It is recommended the Board accept the retirement resignation of Nancy Camello as part-time teacher assistant effective June 10, 2024.

16. PCCD Grants

Motion

It is recommended the Board accept the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) School Resource Officer grant awarded to the District in the amount of \$30,000 and the School Mental Health grant awarded in the amount of \$113,751.

17. Title III MOU ESL 2024-25

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve an MOU with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) for Title III ESL services.

18. Van Driver

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve Jacob O'Keefe as a van driver for the after-school YMCA program. Cost to be covered by the YMCA.

19. Teacher Resignation

Motion

It is recommended the Board accept the resignation of Abigail Della Chiesa as an elementary teacher at Bellevue Elementary School effective June 10, 2024.

20. Student Agreement

Motion

It is recommended the Board ratify an agreement with Student "A" as prepared by the Solicitor and submitted.

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21. Student Assistant Program (SAP) Provider

Motion

It is recommended the Board approve to renew an agreement with Allegheny Children's Initiative to be the Student Assistance Program (SAP) provider for the District for the 2024-25 school year at no cost to the District.

X. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

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

B. SOCIAL EQUITY COMMITTEE REPORT - Mrs. Lee

XI. OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Studer Education

XII. 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.)

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XIII. DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, June 6, 2024	-----	Last Day for Seniors
Thursday, June 6, 2024	7:00 p.m. Alumni Field	H.S. Commencement
Friday, June 7, 2024	-----	Last Day for Students
Monday, June 10, 2024	-----	Last Day for Teachers - Staff Only (In-service)
Monday, June 10, 2024	5:30 p.m. Administrative Center Boardroom	Student Affairs Committee
Monday, June 10, 2024	7:00 p.m. Administrative Center Boardroom	Business Operations Committee (& General Mtg., if needed)
Monday, June 24, 2024	6:30 p.m. Administrative Center Boardroom	Regular Board Meeting

XIV. ADJOURNMENT