



Tuesday, June 11, 2024
Monthly School Board Meeting

North Merrick UFSD
General Purpose Rm
1057 Merrick Avenue
7:00 PM

1. OPENING

- A. Call to Order
- B. Executive Session
- C. Reconvene to the Public
- D. Call to Order
- E. Pledge of Allegiance

2. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

- A. Superintendent's comments

3. PRESENTATION

- A. Celebration of Retirees

4. ROUTINE APPROVALS

- A. Approval of Minutes - May 14, 2024 School Board Meeting, May 20, 2024 Special Board Meeting, and May 21, 2024 Special Board Meeting
- B. Approval of Warrants, Wires, Budget Transfers
- C. Approval of Treasurer's Report

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (agenda items only)

A. Guidelines for Public Comments - Any person wishing to make comments or raise questions shall fill out a comment card. After you are called, come forward to the microphone and state your full name. All comments or questions shall be directed to the Board President or Superintendent of Schools. The Board or Administration will do their best to immediately respond to any questions. Out of courtesy and fairness to the rest of the audience, each person will limit his/her remarks to no more than 3 minutes, not to exceed a 30 minute session. Public discussion with respect to confidential matters is prohibited.

6. BUSINESS

- A. The Board of Education approves the following appointments to the Board of Registry for a term commencing immediately and terminating thirty (30) days following the next Annual Meeting and Budget Vote: Joanne Long (District Clerk), Cathy Onolfo, Judy Horvath, and Michele Hagan. The current Board of Registry's term expires on June 20, 2024.
- B. The Board of Education approves the part-time and non-aligned employee "Salary and Rate Schedule" for the 2024-25 school year.

- C. The Board of Education approves the agreement with Merrick Woods Country Day School, Inc. for the use of the ball fields at H. D. Fayette School during the 2024 summer.
- D. The Board of Education approves the agreement with Merrick Woods Country Day School, Inc., to use 25 designated parking spaces and four bus parking spaces during the summer of 2024.
- E. The Board of Education authorizes the continuation of the agreement with New York Schools Insurance Reciprocal for the 2024-25 school year.
- F. The Board of Education authorizes the agreement with Wright National Flood Insurance Company for the 2024-25 school year.
- G. The Board of Education authorizes the agreement with Cowbell Insurance Agency LLC for the 2024-25 school year.
- H. The Board of Education authorizes the continuation of the agreement with Travelers Casualty & Surety Co. of America for Commercial Crime Coverage for the 2024-25 school year.
- I. The Board of Education authorizes the agreement with QBE Insurance Company for student accident insurance for the 2024-25 school year.
- J. The Board of Education approves the contract with Cullen & Danowski, LLP to provide external accounting services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.
- K. The Board of Education awards the contract for General and Labor Counsel Legal Services to Ingerman & Smith LLP in accordance with the RFP, effective July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, with an annual option for the Board of Education to renew the agreement up to four additional school years.
- L. The Board of Education approves the agreement with Educational Data Services, Inc. for the 2024-25 school year to provide bid specifications and interactive software.
- M. The Board of Education of the North Merrick Union Free School District elects to continue its membership in the Nassau County Schools Cooperative Self-Insurance Plan for Workers Compensation for the 2024-25 school year pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Nassau County Schools Cooperative Self-Insurance Plan for Workers' Compensation Agreement dated February 9, 2016. The Board of Education appoints the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations, or designee, as representative of North Merrick Union Free School District to the Board of Trustees of the Nassau County Schools Cooperative Self-Insurance Plan for Workers Compensation for the 2024-25 school year.
- N. The Board of Education authorizes the additional funding of the 2023-24 reserves in accordance with General Municipal Law and Educational Law, as detailed in the mailing.
- O. The Board of Education authorizes the District to enter into a 12-month agreement with the New York State Insurance Fund for disability benefits and paid family leave insurance.
- P. The Board of Education approves the agreement with Textbook Central for the 2024-25 school year to purchase textbooks for North Merrick students attending non-public schools.
- Q. The Board of Education authorizes the District to enter into a 12-month agreement for dental insurance with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.
- R. The Board of Education approves the agreement with Omni Group to act as a third-party administrator of the district's 403(b) and 457(b) plans from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, at a rate of \$33.00 per account, not to exceed \$4,500.00.
- S. The Board of Education approves the agreement with Munistat Services, Inc. to provide municipal advisor services for the 2024-25 school year.
- T. The Board of Education approves the contract with Seneca Consulting Group to provide Affordable Care Act administration and consulting through June 30, 2025.
- U. The North Merrick Board of Education hereby directs the Business Office to take the necessary action to revise the 2023-24 budget to pay for benefits due to employees for sick and vacation leave and to be paid from the Employee

Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve.

V. The Board of Education approves the various school supply bids for the 2024-25 school year as evaluated by Educational Data Services, Inc., as detailed in the mailing.

W. The Board of Education approves the extension contract with First Student to transport one (1) North Merrick student to DDI Huntington for summer 2024. This extension is at the full C.P.I.

X. The Board of Education approves the extension contract with We Transport to provide summer 2024 transportation to Harold D. Fayette and Sagamore Children's Psychiatric Center. This extension is at the full C.P.I.

Y. The Board of Education awards Suburban Transportation the contract to provide summer 2024 transportation to Mill Neck Manor School of the Deaf, not to exceed \$18,300.00, and Hagedorn Little Village, not to exceed \$18,300.00.

Z. The Board of Education approves the disposal of e-waste materials that are no longer used by the North Merrick School District and have lasted beyond their useful life. Such equipment is to be disposed of in a manner that serves the best interest of the District, as detailed in the mailing.

AA. The Board of Education approves entering into an agreement with Sara Cordova, Distinctive Educators Institute, to provide Literacy Staff Development and Curriculum Writing for the 2024-25 school year. The cost will not exceed \$11,200 (\$1,400 per day) and will be grant-funded.

BB. The Board of Education approves entering into an agreement with Hannah Broxmeyer to serve as an assistant with the After Lunch Bunch Club during the 2024-25 school year. The multi-sports session will be grant-funded and will not exceed 30 hours at \$16 per hour (grant-funded).

CC. The Board of Education approves entering into a consulting agreement with Alexander Weinstein to lead the Board Games session during the 2024-25 semester of After Lunch Bunch. These sessions will not exceed 30 hours at \$47 per hour (grant-funded).

DD. The Board of Education approves entering into a consulting agreement with Briana Babitz to serve as a club assistant for Musical Theatre and More during the 2024-25 after Lunch Bunch sessions. Not to exceed 30 hours at \$16.00 per hour (grant-funded).

EE. The Board of Education approves entering into a consulting agreement with Rose Peppe (RCP Consultants) to provide professional development for completing the 2024-25 ESSA Consolidated Application. The fee will be \$2500 per day, not to exceed \$7,500.

FF. The Board of Education approves entering into a consulting agreement with Body and Brain to provide Mindful Breathing for teachers on 8/24/24. The fee for this service will not exceed \$300.

GG. The Board of Education approves entering into a consulting agreement with David Kaplan to lead multi-sports sessions during the After Lunch Bunch Club during the 2024-25 school year. This fee will not exceed 30 hours at \$47 per hour (grant-funded).

HH. The Board of Education approves entering into a licensing agreement with Benchmark Education for the 2024-25 school year. There is no charge for this service.

II. The Board of Education approves entering into a consulting agreement with Kevin O'Hara to provide CPR and AED Training to monitors on 8/28/24. The fee for this service shall be \$25 per participant.

JJ. The Board of Education approves entering into a consulting agreement with Debi Toni, to facilitate Musical Theatre and More during the 2024-25 After Lunch Bunch session. This fee will exceed 30 hours at \$47 per hour (grant-funded).

KK. The Board of Education approves entering into a consulting agreement with Amanda Lundquist to assist in the Sew Much Fun After Lunch Bunch sessions for the 2024-25 school year. The fee for this service is \$16.50 per hour, not to exceed 16 hours. The total cost is \$256 (fully grant-funded).

7. PERSONNEL ACTIONS REPORT

A. The Board of Education approves the Personnel Actions Report, as detailed in the mailing.

8. SPECIAL SERVICES

A. The Board of Education approves the thirty-six (36) Individualized Education Plans (IEP's) which were developed by the North Merrick Committee on Special Education, as detailed in the mailing.

B. The Board of Education approves the seventeen (17) Individualized Education Programs (IEPS) which were developed by the North Merrick Committee on Pre-School Special Education, as detailed in the mailing.

9. REPORT OF COMMITTEES

A. High School

B. School Community Relations/PTA Council

C. Buildings & Grounds

10. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Communication

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Unfinished business

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. New business

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. Comments

14. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS (BOE only)

15. ADJOURNMENT

A. Adjournment