

Members Present: Mrs. Linda Blum, President
Mrs. Jane Woodie, Vice President
Dr. Karl Espeleta
Mr. Nick Orrill
Mr. Chris Pulos
Mr. Dobles, Student Representative

Mrs. Blum presided over the meeting.

The student representative vote contained in these minutes is recorded for the purpose of participation but is not part of the count in determining approval or disapproval of items.

No. 25-12 Mr. Blum motioned to approve the agenda as follows. Mr. Pulos seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Blum, Pulos, Woodie, Orrill, Espeleta

Aye: Dobles

Motion Carried

VISITORS, COMMUNICATIONS, AND RECOGNITIONS

Mrs. Jina Kyvik invited the Board and Administrators to the special needs prom on February 4, 2025.

No. 25-13 Dr. Espeleta motioned to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Mrs. Woodie seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Espeleta, Woodie, Blum, Orrill, Pulos

Aye: Dobles

Motion Carried

No. 25-14 Mr. Pulos motioned to approve the treasurer's agenda as follows:

- A. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting December 9, 2024.
- B. Approve the financial reports for November 2024 and December 2024.
- C. Approve the Then and Now Certifications:

Invoice No.	Purchase Order #	Purchase Order Date	Vendor	Amount
129918	1204584	12/17/2024	Educational Funding Group	\$10,208.28

Mr. Orrill seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Pulos, Orrill, Blum, Woodie, Espeleta

Aye: Dobles

Motion Carried

No. 25-15 Mr. Orrill motioned to approve the personal agenda as follows:

RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT - CERTIFIED

William Tanner Larson Resignation as Substitute Teacher, Effective 12/11/24 - UN

PAID ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE - CERTIFIED

Melissa Schultz Paid Administrative Leave, Effective 12/19/24, 12/20/24, 1/6/25 -
KELC

RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT - CLASSIFIED

Emily Deneski Resignation as Educational Assistant, Effective 1/31/25 - EH
Susan Johnson Retirement as Educational Monitor, Effective 5/31/25 - MS

TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT- CLASSIFIED

Judith Kelley Substitute Food Service Worker, Effective 12/16/24 - DS
Hallie Pennel Custodian, Effective 1/6/2025 - MS

NEW CONTRACTS/APPOINTMENTS - CLASSIFIED

Gwendolyn Cooper Substitute Food Service Worker, As Needed, Effective 1/6/25 - DS
Melissa Donohoo Substitute Educational Assistant & Paraprofessional, As Needed,
Effective 12/16/24 - UN
James Holloway Relief Driver, 4 Hrs. Per Day, 0 Yrs. Exp., Effective 12/11/24 - SC
Brigid McCabe Substitute Food Service Worker, Educational Assistant, Paraprofessiona
Bus Assistant, As Needed, Effective 1/7/25 - DS
Brook Nelson Bus Assistant, 3.5 Hrs. Per Day, 1 Yr. Exp., Effective 1/7/25 - SC

CHANGE IN CONTRACTS/APPOINTMENTS - CLASSIFIED

Tina Brickles From Bus Assistant 1.08 Hrs. Per Day to 1.33 Hrs. Per Day, Effective
12/16/24 - SC
David Vanevery From Custodian 3rd Shift - MS to Custodian 2nd Shift, Effective
1/6/25 - HS
Bridget Winchester From Bus Driver 1.42 Hrs. Per Day to 1.67 Hrs. Per Day, Effective
12/16/24 - SC

BUS DRIVER ROUTE TIME CHANGE

Jacqueline Dilts 6.25
Mackenzie Hart 5.83
Darla Henderson 6.50
Carrie McRorie 6.17

DEPARTMENT CHAIRS - HIGH SCHOOL

Kathryn Abels	ELA
Ryan Chatterton	Music
Christine Hall	Art
Ross Kincaid	Social Studies
Christopher Lemon	World Languages
William Patrizio	Science
Amy Peters	Counselors
Russell Rizzotte	Math
James Smith	Health/PE
Eric Wagner	Business/Industrial Tech
Edward Trey Utacht	Special Education

DEPARTMENT CHAIRS - MIDDLE SCHOOL

Jacob Myers	PE/Health
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SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS - UNION

Nathan Hannahan	Webmaster, Cat. 18, 100%, 5 Yrs. Exp.
Zachary Kirby	Safety Patrol, Cat. 18, 50%, 3 Yrs. Exp.
Michael Mitrousis	Safety Patrol, Cat. 18, 50%, 5 Yrs. Exp.
Jessica McNary	Detention, Cat. 19, 100% 5 Yrs. Exp.

2024-2025 MIDDLE SCHOOL DETENTION

Seth Forrest	First Semester, Cat 19, 100% 5 Yrs. Exp
	Second Semester, Cat 19, 100% 5 Yrs. Exp

SCIENCE OF READING

Mackenzie Belcher
Ximena Castillo Corcuera
Jacob Whitestone

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Marco Giliberti
Rebecca Hensley
Leronda Jackson
Alexandra Waksman

WINTER COACHES - HIGH SCHOOL

Daniel Hall	Wrestling Varsity Assistant, Volunteer, 0 Yrs. Exp.
Bryan Hoff	Bowling JV, Volunteer, 5 Yrs. Exp.
Joshua Johnigan	Basketball JV Boys Assistant, Cat. 17, 25%, 4 Yrs. Exp.
Maggie Neanen	Basketball Varsity Head Girls, Cat 3, 100%, 5 Yrs. Exp.
Kyle Roberts	Wrestling Varsity Assistant, Volunteer, 0 Yrs. Exp.
David White	Wrestling Varsity Assistant, Volunteer, 0 Yrs. Exp.
Sara Young	Swimming Assistant, Volunteer, 0 Yrs. Exp.

WINTER COACH - MIDDLE SCHOOL

Joshua Johnigan Basketball 7th Grade Boys, Cat. 15, 100%, 4 Yrs. Exp.

UNPAID ABSENCES - CERTIFIED

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3319.13 and Article 10 Section 10.12 of the Master Agreement with the NDEA, the Board hereby grants the following employees an unpaid absence for the following days from work:

Dock Days for 12/10/24

Prikkel, Shannon 3 days dock-11/18-11/20

Dock Days for 12/24/24

Brown, Patricia 1.25 days dock-12/5 (.25), 12/6
Geiger, Kristy 1.5 days dock-11/26 (.50), 12/2
Stegner, Kelly 2 days dock-11/25, 11/26

UNPAID ABSENCES - CLASSIFIED

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 3319.13 and Article 7 Section 7.06 of the Master Agreement with the Teamsters Local Union No.957, the Board hereby grants the following employees an unpaid absence for the following days from work:

Dock Days for 12/10/24

Elam, Judith 1 day dock-11/5
Floyd, Marvette 1.5 days dock-11/21 (.50), 11/22
Maiden, Samantha .50 day dock-11/11 (.50)
Smith, Cortney 1 day dock-11/21
Smith, Lori 1 day dock-11/21
Stringfellow, Sharon 7 days dock-11/7-11/15

Dock Days for 12/24/24

Danes, Dana 1.75 days dock-12/4 (.75), 12/6
Maiden, Samantha 1 day dock-12/6
Stringfellow, Sharon 5 days dock-11/18-11/22

Dock Days for 1/10/25

Addy, Bernadette 2 days dock-12/6, 12/16
Maiden, Samantha 1 day dock-11/18
Mundhenk, Jacquelyn 1 day dock-12/12
Novak, Kenneth 1.75 days dock-12/19 (.75), 12/20

Mr. Pulos seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Orrill, Pulos, Blum, Espeleta, Woodie

Aye: Dobles

Motion Carried

No. 25-16 Mrs. Woodie motioned to approve the separated items from the consent agenda as follows:

- A. Approve Board Policies: 0100, 0142.1, 0151, 0152, 0155, 0163, 0164, 0165, 0165.1, 0165.2, 0166, 0167.2, 0167.7, 0173, 1130, 3113, 4113, 4120.08, 4121, 5131, 5136.01, 5200, 5500, 5780, 6110, 6111, 6112, 6114, 6218, 6220, 6320, 6325, 6460, 6550, 7310, 7450, 7530.01, 7530.02, 7540.03, 7540.04, 7540.09, 8310, 9160, 2265.
- B. Approve overnight, out-of-state trip to Myrtle Beach, SC for the Boys Varsity Basketball team to play in the Carolina Forest Tournament January 1, 2025 - January 4, 2025.
- C. Accept public cash donation of \$175 for the Kleptz Military Family Appreciation Breakfast and \$1,000 for the Northmont High School NJROTC Chicago Drill Competition from Color Guard of American Legion Post 707
- D. Accept public cash donation of \$500 to Union Elementary for student lunches and \$500 for field trips from Union United Methodist Women.
- E. Accept public cash donation of \$500 from Mr. and Mrs. Dan Adler to the High School for Academic Challenge.
- G. Accept public cash donation of \$200 to Northmont High School DECA from Kendall & Scott Green in memory of Adrienne Draper.
- H. Accept public cash donation of \$100 to Northmont High School DECA from Sharon Merryman in memory of Adrienne Draper.
- I. Accept public cash donation of \$1,000 to Northmont High School NJROTC from VFW Post 5434.
- J. Accept public cash donation of \$400 to Northmont High School After Prom from 5ive Tool Player.
- K. Accept public cash donation of \$250 to Englewood Hills from Dale DeBrosse.
- L. Approve contracting services with Julie Snyder to provide training for intensive needs classrooms not to exceed \$600.
- M. Review the 2025-2026 High School Program of Studies.
- N. Approve resolution regarding the operation of recreational marijuana businesses in the city of Clayton.
- O. Approve resolution for 2024-2025 payment in lieu of transportation.
- P. Approve the change on the 2024-2025 school calendar for the teacher workday originally scheduled for January 6, 2025 to be held January 7, 2025.

Mr. Pulos seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows"

Aye: Woodie, Pulos, Blum, Pulos, Espeleta

Aye: Dobles

Motion Carried

No. 25-17 Mrs. Blum motioned to approve the separated item from the consent agenda as:

- F. Accept donation of saxophone to Northmont Schools from Karl & Lucinda Espeleta, approximate value of \$570.

Mrs. Woodie seconded the motion and the roll vote was as follows:

Aye: Blum, Woodie, Pulos, Orrill

Abstained: Espeleta

Aye: Dobles

Motion Carried

BOARD REPORTS

Mrs. Woodie

*Role of Recognition committee will be reviewing the nominations they received and will be announcing the honorees in the next few weeks.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

*The High School Peer Mediation teams will be visiting the elementary buildings next week to teach students about handling conflict.

*The Northmont Drama Club is proud to present its winter show: A Night of One Acts! Come join us for two amazing one-act plays, fully directed, designed, and run by the students.

*Many buildings concentrated on teaching positive behavior interventions and support lessons as students returned from break. It is always good to make sure students know the expectations of good behavior and are reminded of ways to regulate their behavior.

*Chromebook Pilot is ongoing. Currently, the Tech department is meeting with each department at the HS. A number of stakeholders have given feedback.

*Englewood PD will be onsite Wednesday for a safety audit of the Y space.

*Northmont will host Division V boys' sectional and district tournament games. We have also been contacted about possible regional and state final four games, but the sites for those two rounds have not been finalized.

*The girls' bowling team remains undefeated and is leading the GWOC standings.

*A Military Ball was held over the weekend. It was a great success.

Legislative Update:

*We are awaiting the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review (JCARR) to help clarify the rules on the bill that were passed in lame-duck session.

*House Bill 8 - Sponsored by Reps. D.J. Swearingen (R-Huron) and Sara P. Carruthers (R-Hamilton), this bill enacts the "Parents' Bill of Rights" to require public schools to adopt a policy on parental notification on student health and well-being and instructional materials with sexually explicit content as well as a policy on release time for religious instruction (RTRI).

*Senate Bill 208 -Sponsored by Sen. Kristina Roegner (R-Hudson), this bill originally created open enrollment policy exceptions for military children, but was amended by the House to include changes to school district and educational service center purchases of technological equipment, virtual services provided under special needs scholarship programs, public school employee in-service training in child sexual abuse prevention, pre-service teacher permits and student and driver training instruction in peace officer interactions.

*House Bill 206 -Sponsored by Reps. Gary Click (R-Vickery) and Monica Robb Blasdel (R-Columbiana), this bill will make changes regarding the expulsion of a student from a public school for actions that endanger the health and safety of other students or school employees. In addition to the changes to expulsion procedures, the Senate amended the bill to include 2024-2025 school year exemptions for community school closures, new protocols for schools' storage of seizure medications, and an increase in funding for school choice program administration by \$4,140,000 in FY 2025. The law will take effect on April 8, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

No. 25-18 Mrs. Blum motioned to declare that any classes that are graded to be deemed a core class. Mrs. Woodie seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Blum, Woodie, Espeleta, Pulos, Orrill

Aye: Dobles

Motion Carried

OLD BUSINESS

No. 25-19 Dr. Espeleta motioned to approve the resolution of necessity to levy an additional tax for emergency requirements of the school district for \$3,500,000 for 10 years for the May 6, 2025 ballot. Mr. Pulos seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

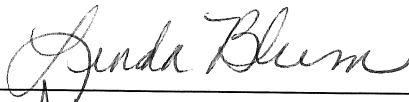
Aye: Espeleta, Pulos, Blum, Woodie, Orrill

Aye: Dobles

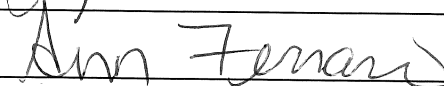
Motion Carried

No. 25-20 There being no further business, Mrs. Blum declared the meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m. The next regular Board of Education meeting will at 6:00 p.m., January 27, 2025, Northmont High School, 4916 West National Rd, Clayton, Ohio.

President



Treasurer



Visitors: 13

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