



Tuesday, February 11, 2025
Monthly School Board Meeting

North Merrick UFSD
HD Fayette School
1057 Merrick Avenue
North Merrick, NY
7:00 PM

1. OPENING

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

2. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

- A. Superintendent's comments

3. ROUTINE APPROVALS

- A. Approval of Minutes - January 14, 2025
- B. Approval of warrants, wires, budget transfers
- C. Approval of Treasurer's report

4. 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.

- B. Comments

5. BUSINESS

- A. The Board of Education approves the donation of \$5,166 from the Old Mill Road PTA to be used for site-based clubs for the 2024-2025 school year.
- B. The Board of Education approves the revised North Merrick Teacher Center Policy Board members for the 2024-2025 school year.
- C. The Board of Education approves entering into a consulting agreement with Lisa Sokol for Administrator Support for the North Merrick Teacher Center Director for the 2024-2025 School Year. The cost shall not exceed \$500.00. (To be paid for by Teacher Center Purchase Services Code.)

D. The Board of Education approves the following: WHEREAS, four (4) BOCES (Onondaga-Cortland-Madison BOCES, Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga BOCES, Madison-Oneida BOCES and Broome-Tioga BOCES) have collaborated and entered into an Article 5 General Municipal Law intermunicipal arrangement for the purpose of improving vendor management and data security and privacy practices for school districts and/or BOCES statewide known as the RIC ONE Risk Operations Center (the "ROC"); "WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the North Merrick UFSD, through its affiliation with a locally based Regional Information Center, participates with the ROC and desires, for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, to authorize the ROC to enter into Data Privacy Agreements and related exhibits (DPAs) with vendors and third-party contractors that include the requirements of, and compliance with, New York State Education Law Section 2-d and Part 121 Regulations (collectively, "Ed Law 2d") related to student personally identifiable information (PII) and certain Teacher and Principal APPR data;" WHEREAS, the ROC also partners with NYSED, the Access4Learning Student Data Privacy Consortium (SDPC) and The Education Cooperative (TEC), to negotiate and approve Ed Law 2-d compliant DPAs; WHEREAS, the DPAs are presented to school districts and/or BOCES for final execution and do not require the expenditure of funds beyond those budgeted; and BE IT RESOLVED, Board of Education of the North Merrick UFSD authorizes the attorneys designated by the ROC to negotiate and approve of DPAs for software and/or technology resources; and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the North Merrick UFSD Board of Education grants the ROC and its designated attorneys the authority to negotiate the terms and conditions of DPAs and take such actions so as to effectuate the purposes and intent of this resolution.

E. The Board of Education approves the following resolution: RESOLVED that the Board President is authorized to execute a repayment agreement with an employee whose identity is known to the Board of Education, which agreement has been reviewed by the Board of Education, as detailed in the mailing.

F. The Board of Education approves the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the North Merrick Union Free School District hereby authorizes the following proposition to be placed on the ballot of the May 20, 2025 annual vote: SHALL the Board of Education, pursuant to Education Law section 3651, be authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund known as the "CAPITAL RESERVE FUND 2025" for the purpose of performing the following capital improvements: instructional and non-instructional space improvements/renovations/upgrades, (including but not limited to classroom improvements/renovations/upgrades and/or additions to existing facilities), gymnasium renovations, cafeteria renovations, library/multi media center renovations, exterior renovations/reconstruction, computer/technology upgrades, security system upgrades, plumbing renovations/upgrades, electrical renovations/upgrades, HVAC renovations/upgrades, energy efficiency renovation/upgrades, renovations required for compliance with ADA requirements, roof/gutter/leader replacement, window replacement, masonry/concrete replacement, interior and exterior door/entry ways replacement, toilet room renovations, lighting upgrades, floor replacement, wall replacement, boiler replacements, elevators, carpentry renovations, site renovations/reconstruction, athletic field renovations/reconstruction, playground renovations, public address/clock system replacement, sound system upgrades, telephone system upgrades, hazardous material remediation, storage space renovations, furnishings and equipment, including the purchase of vehicles, all of the foregoing to include all labor, materials, equipment, apparatus and incidental cost related thereto. The maximum amount of the aforesaid Capital Reserve Fund shall be \$10,000,000 plus investment income. The probable term is to be ten (10) years; the funds are to be transferred from (a) the remaining balance of Capital Reserve Fund 2015; and (b) an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from surplus monies and/or permissible transfers from other reserves, if any, remaining in the 2024-2025 general fund and thereafter in an annual amount of not more than \$1,000,000 for each remaining year of the probable term. Upon the establishment and funding of said reserve, the Superintendent of Schools or designee shall be directed to deposit monies of this reserve fund in a separate bank account to be known as the "CAPITAL RESERVE FUND 2025."

6. PERSONNEL ACTIONS REPORT

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

7. POLICIES

A. The Board of Education approves the following resolution: WHEREAS, the North Merrick Union Free School District Policy No. 9310 – Adoption of Policies contains the Board of Education procedures for the adoption, change, and repeal of District policies; and WHEREAS, the Board of Education has determined that it is necessary to revise and update Policy #5132 Meal Charging and Prohibition Against Meal Shaming; Policy #2564 School District Records Regulation at this time; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education waives Policy No. 9310 with respect to the requirements related to the first reading of policies and the sequence of adoption of policies in relation to Policy #5132 Meal Charging and Prohibition Against Meal Shaming; Policy #2564 School District Records Regulation

8. SPECIAL SERVICES

A. The Board of Education approves the contract between Nassau Neuropsychological Services and the North Merrick School District to conduct independent neuropsychological evaluations for (2) special education students for the 2024-2025 school year.

B. The Board of Education approves the six (6) Individualized Education Programs (IEPS) which were developed by the North Merrick Committee on Pre-School Special Education, as detailed in the mailing.

C. The Board of Education approves the forty one (41) Individualized Education Plans (IEP's) which were developed by the North Merrick Committee on Special Education, as detailed in the mailing.

D. the Board of Education approves the contract between Donna Geffner, Ph. D., CCC-SLP/A and the North Merrick School District to conduct independent educational evaluation for one special education student for the 2024-2025 school year.

9. REPORT OF COMMITTEES

A. High School

B. School Community Relations/PTA Council

C. Buildings & Grounds

10. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Communications

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Unfinished Business

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. New Business

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. Comments

14. INFORMATION REPORTS (BOE only)

15. ADJOURNMENT

A. Adjournment