



Tuesday, April 8, 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. PRESENTATION

- A. 2025-2026 Budget Presentation by Marie Donnelly, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

- A. Superintendent's comments

4. ROUTINE APPROVALS

- A. Approval of Minutes - March 11, 2025
- 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.

- B. Comments

6. BUSINESS

- A. The Board of Education adopts the proposed budget for the 2025-2026 school year in the amount of \$42,638,849.

B. The Board of Education adopts the 2025-2026 Property Tax Report Card for the North Merrick Union Free School District.

C. The Board of Education approves the updated appointment of chief election inspectors and clerks for the North Merrick Library Vote on April 9, 2025, from 10:00 AM to 9:00 PM and the Library evening voter's registration on April 2, 2025, from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Chief Election Inspector Michele Hagan will be paid \$21 per hour. Spanish translator/election inspector Giovanna Amarain will be paid \$26 per hour. Clerks, as needed, Judy Horvath, Cathy Onolfo, Annette Desimone-Starala, Bernice Holzmacher, and Lauren Iantosca will be paid \$16.50 per hour. The District will be fully reimbursed for all costs associated with the North Merrick Library vote.

D. The Board of Education approves the following budget transfers: \$190,000 from account code A9060.801-04 Health Insurance to account codes A2250.400-04 Contracted Services (\$17,000), A2250.401-04 Cont Services Therapy (\$160,000) and A2250.475-04 Tuition Other Schools (\$13,000); and \$32,000 from A2630.490-01 BOCES Camp Computers/Smartboards to A2250.490-04-0400 BOCES Contractual. Reason: For agency aides/RBTs, IEEs, tuition for private placements and BOCES Services.

E. The Board of Education approves the donation of \$1,792 from SEPTA to be used for transportation to/from and admission to "Pete the Cat" performance at the Tilles Center for HDF and OMR students.

F. The Board of Education awards the contract for Claims Auditor Services for the 2025-26 school year, with the option for the Board to renew the agreement for up to four additional school years to Cerini & Associates, LLP and that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to enter into the agreement for these services.

G. The Board of Education approves the award for Printing Services to Printing Emporium, based on their proposal submitted in response to RFP #24/25-002 Printing Services.

H. The Board of Education awards a contract for the Universal Pre-kindergarten Program for the 2025-2026 school year to Wee Friends Too, TLC Brookside, Friedberg JCC, and that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to enter into the agreement for these services; and that the proposal received from SCOPE is rejected due to pricing.

I. The Board of Education approves the agreement with Textbook Central for the 2025-26 school year to purchase textbooks for North Merrick students attending non-public schools.

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 addenda A and B to the contract between Homecare Therapies, LLC and the North Merrick School District for the provision of aide services for students based on IEP mandates for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year.

B. The Board of Education approves the contract between Nassau Neuropsychological Services and the North Merrick School District to conduct an independent neuropsychological evaluation for a special education student for the 2024-2025 school year.

C. The Board of Education approves the contract between New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc. and the North Merrick School District for the provision of special education services and evaluations for the 2024-2025 school year.

D. The Board of Education approves the thirty five (35) Individualized Education Plans (IEP's) which were developed by the North Merrick Committee on Special Education, as detailed in the mailing.

E. The Board of Education approves the thirteen (13) 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. 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