

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

Mrs. Blum presided over the meeting. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and the reading of the district's mission statement.

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. 26-71 Mrs. Blum motioned to approve the adoption of the agenda as presented. Mr. Orrill seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Blum, Orrill, Woodie, Espeleta, Pulos

Aye: Paul

Motion Carried

STRATEGIC PLAN

Ms. Amy Sipes updated the Board on Strategy 4 - Staff Wellness.

No. 26-72 Mrs. Woodie motioned to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Mr. Orrill seconded the motion and the roll call was as follows:

Aye: Woodie, Orrill, Blum, Espeleta, Pulos

Aye: Paul

Motion Carried

No. 26-73 Mr. Pulos motioned to approve the items of the treasurer's agenda as follows:

A. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 23, 2026.

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

Aye: Pulos, Woodie, Blum, Orrill

Abstain: Espeleta

Aye: Paul

Motion Carried

No. 26-74 Mr. Orrill motioned to approve the personnel agenda as follows:

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS - CERTIFIED

Ellie Cooper	Resignation as Teacher-Intervention Specialist, Effective 7/31/26 - KELC
Nicholas Luttrell	Resignation as Teacher-Intervention Specialist, Effective 7/31/26 - UN
Brittany Treon	Resignation as Teacher-1st Grade, Effective 7/31/26 - KELC

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS - CLASSIFIED

Erin Cooper	Resignation as MultiMedia Specialist, Effective 4/10/26 - NW/EH
Jonathon Haber	Resignation as Substitute Custodian, Effective 4/9/26 - DS
Sharon Lauchner	Retirement as Food Service Cashier, Effective 5/22/26 - KELC
Kelly Stanley	Resignation as Educational Assistant, Effective 3/30/26 - NW

NEW CONTRACTS/APPOINTMENTS - CLASSIFIED

Bradley Berger	Custodian - 2nd Shift, 8 Hrs. Per Day, 10 Yrs. Exp.,
Effective 4/13/26 - HS	
Briana Pressel	Substitute Educational Assistant & Paraprofessional & Multimedia
	Specialist, As Needed, Effective 5/1/26 - DS
Jaylynn Robinson	Substitute MultiMedia, As Needed, Effective 4/9/26 - NW/EH
Grace Stickler	Head Custodian-1st Shift, 8 Hrs. Per Day, 5 Yrs. Exp.,
	Effective 4/7/26 - HS

TUTOR

Kolleen DeGrazia	Limited up to 75 hours, Effective 3/24/26 - HS
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SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Libby Kreikemeier
Lauren Thompson
Keeley Yore

STUDENT AUDITORIUM TECHNICIAN

Alice Gibson

Dr. Espeleta seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Orrill, Espeleta, Woodie, Blum, Pulos

Motion Carried

No. 26-75 Mrs. Woodie motioned to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A. Adoption of Board Policy: po1422 Replacement, po1422.02 Rescind, po1662 Rescind, po2431.06 New, po3122 Replacement, po3122.02 Rescind, po3362 Rescind, po3440, po4122 Replacement, po4122.02 Rescind, po4362 Rescind, po4440, po5112, po5421, po5730, po6220, po6320, po6325, po6423, po6424, po6460, po6465 New, po7450 New for NCSD, po8500
- B. Review drafts of the 2026-2027 Northmont High School, Northmont Middle School, and Elementary Handbooks.
- C. Review the adoption of *Conceptual Physics (13th Edition)*, *Miller & Levine Biology (Savvas)*, *Experience Chemistry (Savvas)*, *Environmental Science (Savvas)*, *Inspire Science Earth Science (McGraw Hill)*, *Inspire Science Physical Science (McGraw Hill)*, and *Hole's Human Anatomy & Physiology (McGraw Hill)* for the high school science courses for \$158,091.41 from permanent improvement funds.
- D. Review the adoption of the World Language Instructional Texts from the following vendors: AMSCO, Ediciones Mac-Kay, Wayside Publishing, Teacher's Discovery, Klett World Languages, Mira Canion, and Command Performance Books for the high school world language courses for \$7,925.25 from permanent improvement funds.
- E. Review the adoption of *Amplify* for grades 7-8 English Language Arts for \$138,345.52 from permanent improvement funds.
- F. Review the 2026-2027 school fees.
- G. Accept public cash donation of \$1,200.00 to Northmont High School NJROTC Brain Brawl Team.
- H. Accept public cash donation of \$15,000.00 from Debra Baker to assist in building a new playground for Northmont Preschool.
- I. Accept public cash donation of \$15,000.00 from Sheri Coleman to assist in building a new playground for Northmont Preschool.
- J. Accept public cash donation of \$500 to Northmont High School DECA for the International Career Development Conference.

- K. Approve Stadium Scoreboard purchase from Daktronics, through the OCEPC Contract #AEPA IFB #024-F in the amount of \$186,529, utilizing non-general fund accounts.
- L. Approve Resolution for Lease Agreement of former Board of Education Office, located at 4001 Old Salem Rd. Englewood, Ohio 45322 to Homefront Nursing, LLC
- M. Approve KELC Facility Improvement and Energy Savings Lighting Retrofit Project with Energy Optimizers , USA, through the Southwestern EPC Consortium in the amount of \$172,440 paid out of the Permanent Improvement fund.

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

Aye: Woodie, Pulos, Blum, Espeleta, Orrill

Aye: Paul

Motion Carried

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- *Appreciation for the preschool playground donations.
- *State testing is occurring in all of the buildings except for the Kleptz Early Learning Center.
- *Students from Northmont Middle School in the Thunderwatch program presented to first grade students at the Kleptz Early Learning Center.
- *On Friday, April 17th, the transportation department will be receiving training from local law enforcement.
- *On Wednesday evening, April 15th, there will be a Meet the Principal/Parent night at each of the elementary buildings. Any student who will be new to that building can attend with their families that evening.
- *On Monday, April 13th, there was a 6th grade Superintendent Advisory meeting at the administrative offices. Students provided input on items ranging from lunch menus to facility needs. This meeting helped support the work of the strategic plan.
- *This week is the musical at Northmont High School.
- *Thanks to the Elementary Choir again for performing prior to this board meeting and to Dr. CJ Roden for conducting and leading them.
- *Safety Town is back up and running at the Kleptz every day from 1:15-3:20. This is a great opportunity for our kindergarten students to learn basic safety skills like how and when to call 911, where to ride their bikes, stop signs and traffic crossing, and more. Our Englewood SRO, Officer Hacker, does a great job along with a lot of volunteers from the community. Mrs. Rolfes helped bring this back a few years ago by securing grants and donations from several businesses and civic organizations. Please take a moment to stop by and observe this fun way to teach safety skills to our youngest learners.
- *Jenn Zumwalt has been nominated to represent Northmont in the Ohio Teacher of the Year recognition program overseen by the State Board of Education. We are excited to have her represent the district in this multifaceted process. Good luck, Jenn!

No. 26-76 Mrs. Blum motioned at 6:33 p.m. to go into executive session as permitted by Ohio Revised Code 121.22 Par G (1) to confer with an attorney for the board of education concerning disputes involving the board that are the subject of pending or imminent court action and Ohio Revised Code 121.22 Par G (4) to review negotiations or bargaining sessions with public employees concerning their compensation or other terms and conditions of their employment. Mrs. Woodie seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Blum, Woodie, Pulos, Espeleta, Orrill

Motion Carried

No. 26-77 Mr. Orrill motioned to close the executive session at 7:34 p.m. Mrs. Woodie seconded the motion and the roll call vote was as follows:

Aye: Orrill, Woodie, Blum, Espeleta, Pulos

Motion Carried

No. 26-78 There being no further business, Mrs. Blum declared the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m. The next regular Board meeting will be April 27, 2026 at Northmont High School, 4916 National Road, Clayton, Ohio.

President

Linda Blum

Treasurer

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Visitors: 37

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