

**NORTHGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Tuesday, May 26th, 2026 - 6:30 p.m.
Administrative Center Boardroom**

Our Vision: Students First and Foremost

Our Mission: The Northgate School District provides a challenging academic program that prepares students to value learning, think critically and creatively and embrace diverse viewpoints. With a focus on developing the whole child, the district provides experiences that encourage the development of empathy, integrity and resilience to prepare all students to meet with success.

I. WELCOME, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 13, 2026 AND APRIL 27, 2026 COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND GENERAL MEETING.

III. Recognition - Northgate Middle and High School

Track Team - The Board would like to recognize the following students for competing in the Slippery Rock University Invitational and WPIAL Championships, where students demonstrated exceptional dedication, skill, and sportsmanship:

Ashanique Fairweather

Ayriana George

David Williams

Evan Carson

Jayden McCoy

Mackenzie Reed

Mateo Tristan

Nevaeh Ivy-Morris

Olivia Bach

Samir King

Savian Baptiste

Zachary Fleckenstein

Aubree Bey

David McCoy

Emma Gratner

Hope Stiteler

Lindsey Persson

Maliek Jackson

Molly Morgan

Nina Townsell

Robert Persson

Sophia Nash

Tyler Yurkovich

Will Smith

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Chamber Singers - The Board would like to recognize the following students for being awarded the Grand Prize at the International Youth Music Competition in February, where they displayed exceptional skill and performance:

Abaghail Straub	Arelyn Perkins
Aubrey Persson	Ayriana George
Jamir Purifoy	Josie Fahrenhold
Joshua Storey	Lily White
Mackenzie Reed	Molly Morgan
Morgan Gannon	Morrison Rudy
Nathaniel Rectenwald	Olivia Bach
Ryleigh Stone	Victoria Rice

IV. STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT - Student Council Representatives

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Dr. Johns

VI. VISITORS' COMMENTARY (Visitors: Please state your name and municipality; please limit your remarks to three (3) minutes or less. Please summarize your comments during this Visitors' Commentary time. Once the Board begins the "Items for Action" part of the Agenda, only comments sought by the Board will be recognized.)

VII. TREASURER'S REPORTS

1. May 2026 - Addendum I - Mr. Rajakovic

Motion

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VIII. ITEMS FOR ACTION

A. DISTRICT OPERATIONS COMMITTEE - Mr. Rajakovic

1. Approval of Independent Audit Firm Motion

Appoint Hosack, Specht, Muetzel & Wood LLP (HSMW) to provide independent auditing services for Northgate School District for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2026, June 30, 2027, and June 30, 2028, including financial statement audits and, if applicable, Single Audits, in accordance with the firm's proposal submitted in response to the District's Request for Proposals (RFP) for audit services.

This appointment also includes audits of the District's real estate tax collectors for the years ending December 31, 2025, December 31, 2026, and December 31, 2027.

The engagement shall be conducted in accordance with the terms, conditions, and pricing outlined in the firm's proposal, as reviewed and recommended by the Administration.

2. Bill List & Tax Refunds Motion

Ratify the April 2026 Bill List and Tax Refunds found in Addendum II.

3. Board Treasurer Motion

Elect Michael Rajakovic to serve as Treasurer for the 2026-27 school year (July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027). Arrangements for securing the necessary bond for the Treasurer will be made by the Administration. (Section 404 of the Pennsylvania School Code requires that the Board elect a Treasurer for the period of one (1) year.)

4. Depositories Motion

Designate the following multiple depositories for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027: Citizens Bank; Huntington Bank; PA Local Government Investment Trust (PLGIT); PA School District Liquid Asset Fund (PSDLAF); PNC Bank. (Section 621 of the Pennsylvania School Code requires, during the month of May, the Board of School Directors designate depositories for the forthcoming school year.)

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5. Student Insurance (Athletic)

Motion

Approve United States Fire Insurance Company, an AIG insurance company, Plan AAA, to provide coverage to students while participating in interscholastic athletic programs, band, cheerleading, and/or school-sponsored activities at an estimated cost of \$9,950 for the 2026-27 school year.

6. Student Insurance (Voluntary)

Motion

Approve United States Fire Insurance Company to provide voluntary student insurance for 2026-27 at no additional cost.

7. Surety Bonds

Motion

Approve renewal of the following bonds: School Board Secretary's Bond, 7/1/26 to 6/30/27 - \$100; Treasurer's Bond, 4/21/26 to 4/21/27, \$100; Activities Account Coordinator's Bond, 8/16/26 to 8/15/27, \$100.

8. High School Kitchen Boiler/Steamer

Motion

Approve the purchase of a new Cleveland 3 Compartment Gas-Fired Steam Boiler at a cost of \$52,209.90 from Curran Taylor Inc. under PA CoStars Contract #036-004. The purchase price includes the removal and disposal of the existing Crown GC-3 boiler/steamer. This purchase is to be funded from the 25-26 capital projects account.

9. Bellevue Domestic Hot Water Boiler

Motion

Approve the purchase of a new Lochinvar CWN987PM domestic hot water boiler at a cost of \$30,400 from Gunning Inc. under PA CoStars Contract #008-E23-1151. The purchase price includes the removal and disposal of the existing 1992 Lochinvar boiler. This purchase is to be funded from the 25-26 capital projects account.

10. Bellevue Camera Project

Motion

It is recommended that the board approve the purchase and installation of eight additional security cameras for Bellevue Elementary with installation and configuration to be done by Horizon Information Services at a total cost of \$10,836.00 to be taken from the 26-27 school year budget. In addition it is recommended that the board approve upgrades to the existing security camera servers at Bellevue and Avalon Elementary by Horizon Information Services at a cost of \$1,968 to be taken from the 26-27 school year budget.

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11. Summer Technology Help

Motion

Approve Nathan Gratner as student summer technology help at \$11.00 per hour.

12. PowerSchool Renewal

Motion

It is recommended that the board approve the renewal of all Powerschool products through the 2026-2027 school year at a total approximate cost of \$42,906.69 to be taken from the 26-27 fiscal year. Products include SIS, Maintenance and Support, SIS Hosting, SIS SSL Certificate, PowerPack, Digital Document Delivery, Digital Document Signature, Digital Document Storage, Ecollect Forms, School Messenger Communicate, Platform Hosted, and Student Analytics.

13. Viewsonic Displays

Motion

Approve the purchase of fifteen Viewsonic interactive ViewBoard devices from GovConnection, Inc. at a total cost of \$34,054.35 to be taken from the 26-27 school year budget.

14. Food Service

Motion

Approve the renewal of the District's agreement with Sodexo Management, Inc. for a one-year term commencing July 1, 2026. The agreement may be extended for one additional one-year term upon mutual agreement of both parties, with a formal rebid to occur in the spring of 2027.

B. STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE - Mrs. MacDonald

1. Rescind Offer

Motion

Rescind the offer of 2nd Assistant Football Coach to Jayme Harris, as recommended by the athletic director.

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2. Coach Supplementals

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Approve the following changes to the supplementals listed below:

Chris Lucas: change from 1st Assistant Football Coach to Head Coach at a rate of \$7,840, as per the teacher's contract.

Lewis Clark: change from 3rd Assistant Football Coach to 1st Assistant Football Coach at a rate of \$5,040, as per the teacher's contract.

Linwood Snyder: change from 5th Assistant Football Coach to 2nd Assistant Football Coach at a rate of \$4,480, as per the teacher's contract.

Jacob O'Keefe: change from 4th Assistant Football Coach to 3rd Assistant Football Coach at a rate of \$3,360, as per the teacher's contract.

3. Supplemental Football Coach

Motion

Approve the hire of Brian Dippolito as 4th Assistant Football Coach (Offensive/Defensive Line Coach) for the 2026-27 school year at a rate of \$3,360, contingent on receipt of acceptable clearances.

4. Supplemental Football Coach

Motion

Approve the hire of Christian Davin as 5th Assistant Football Coach for the 2026-27 school year at a rate of \$3,360, contingent on the receipt of acceptable clearances.

5. Volunteer Football Coach

Motion

Approve the hire of Sam Dippolito as a Volunteer Football Coach for the 2026-27 school year, contingent on the receipt of acceptable clearances.

6. Middle School Softball Coach

Motion

Approve the hire of Melissa Stone as Middle School Softball Coach for the 2025-26 school year.

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C. POLICIES - Mr. Rajakovic

- 1. Policy 918** - Title I Parent and Family Engagement - First and Final Reading

D. ADMINISTRATION - Dr. Johns

- 1. Supplemental Adjustment** Motion

Approve a change in the supplemental stipend for the Entrepreneurship Club sponsorship from the amount of \$3,500, which was approved in November 2025, to \$7,000 for the 2026-27 school year, to be paid from the District's Startable Grant from Innovation Works (\$3,500 for fall & \$3,500 for spring).

- 2. Harris Education Solutions** Motion

Approve the one-year agreement with Harris Education Solutions for the edInsight Data Management System at a cost of \$8,318.85, which will provide Northgate School District with data dashboard, analytics, student data depot, and data analyst capabilities.

- 3. MHY Family Services** Motion

Approve the Agreement with MHY Family Services for the 2026-2027 school year for placement of eligible Northgate students at Longmore Academy, a Pennsylvania Department of Education-licensed private academic school.

- 4. Grand Canyon University Affiliation Agreement** Motion

Approve the agreement with Grand Canyon University through the 2027-2028 school year for placement of preservice teachers and counselors.

- 5. RMU Enrollment Agreement** Motion

Approve an MOU with Robert Morris University (RMU) to offer college in high school enrollment courses for the 2026-27 school year through the 2028-29 school year, contingent upon review of agreement by the Solicitor.

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6. Bandfront Director

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Approve the hire of Ashley Lyons as Band Front Director for the 2026-27 school year with compensation of \$2,800, as per the teacher contract, contingent on receipt of acceptable clearances.

7. 1st Band Assistant

Motion

Approve the hire of Quinten Harkness as 1st Band Assistant for the 2026-27 school year with compensation of \$2,240, as per the teacher contract, contingent on receipt of acceptable clearances.

8. 2nd Bandfront Assistant

Motion

Approve the hire of Abigail Davin as 2nd Assistant Band Director (Bandfront Assistant) for the 2026-27 school year at a rate of \$1,680, as per the teacher's contract, contingent on receipt of acceptable clearances.

9. PSBA Policy Services Agreement

Motion

Approve the PSBA Policy Services Member Agreement with the Pennsylvania School Boards Association, authorizing Northgate School District's participation in the PSBA Policy Service and Administrative Regulations Service, for the purpose of accessing PSBA's copyrighted policy guides, administrative regulation templates, and related support through the PSBA Policy Portal.

10. AIU Comprehensive Services Agreement

Motion

Approve a Comprehensive Services Agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) to provide services to students assigned by the District for the 2026-27 school year.

11. Federal Programs Agreement

Motion

Approve an agreement with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) for its coordination of all Federal Programs, including Title I, II, III, and IV at a cost \$100 per hour with an estimate being 85.5 hours per academic year. Service will commence July 1, 2026 and expire June 30, 2027. Approval of agreement is pending review by the Superintendent and Solicitor. See Addendum III.

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12. Superintendent Contract Amendment Motion

Motion to approve an amendment to the employment contract of the Superintendent, effective July 1, 2026, establishing an annual starting salary of \$199,800, with all other terms and conditions of the contract remaining unchanged.

13. Allegheny County Tax Assessment Resolution Motion

Approve the resolution urging Allegheny County Council and the County Executive to mandate a periodic property tax reassessment system, calling for regular reassessments of all county properties on a cycle of no less than every five years and no more than every three years.

14. Teacher Assistant Motion

Approve the hiring of Andrew Iriana as part-time Teacher Assistant, as recommended by the Superintendent and contingent upon the submission of acceptable clearances.

15. ESY Teacher Motion

Approve Amanda McNeal as Extended School Year (ESY) Teacher during the summer of 2026, as recommended by the Superintendent.

16. Purchase of Marching Band Uniforms Motion

Approve the purchase of 25 Marching Band Uniforms from Demoulin Brothers & Co at a cost of \$23,221 for the 2026-2027 school year.

17. Motion to Approve PreK Program Stipends Motion

Approve a stipend in the total amount of \$2,600 to support enrollment management, fiscal management, program oversight, resource management, and document management for the District's PreK program, with the stipend to be divided evenly between Fara Pienkosky and Dr. Qualisha Zyhier in the amount of \$1,300 each.

18. Carlow University MOU Motion

Approve an Affiliation Agreement for Internship/Practicum, Pre-clinical and Student Teaching between Carlow University and Northgate School District.

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- 19. Title III ESL MOU 2026-27** Motion
- Approve an MOU with the Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU) for Title III ESL services.
- 20. Student Agreement** Motion
- Approve an agreement with Student “A” as prepared by the Solicitor and submitted.
- 21. AHN Chill Project Amendment** Motion
- Approve the Amendment to the Behavioral Health Professional Services Agreement with Allegheny Clinic (AHN Chill Project) for the 2026–2027 contract year, renewing and expanding school-based behavioral health, educational, ESY, and horticulture/summer camp services for a fee of \$197,000.00 for educational services, plus per-student ESY fees beginning at \$2,800 per student and professional services billed at established rates.
- 22. Student Assistant Program (SAP) Provider** Motion
- Approve the renewal of an agreement with Allegheny Children’s Initiative to be the Student Assistance Program (SAP) provider for the District for the 2026-27 school year at no cost to the District.

IX. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- A. A.W. BEATTIE CAREER CENTER REPORT** - Mrs. Lee / Dr. Bilski
- B. LEGISLATIVE REPORT** - Mr. Rajakovic

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C. FOOD SERVICE/WELLNESS COMMITTEE REPORT - Ms. Pollanen

X. OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

PSBA Assembly Delegates

XI. VISITORS' COMMENTARY (Subject to time limitation or postponement at the board's discretion.) (Visitors: Please state your name and municipality; please limit your remarks to two (2) minutes or less. Please summarize your comments during this Visitors' Commentary time.)

XII. DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed., May 27	7:00 p.m.	A.W. Beattie Graduation
Thurs., May 28	5:00 p.m.	Cai & Kate Premier
Fri., June 5th	7:00 p.m.	High School Commencement
Sat., June 6th	7:00 p.m.	HS Commencement (Rain Day)
Mon., June 8th	5:30 p.m.	Committee of the Whole Meeting

XIII. ADJOURNMENT