The North Fork Board of Education met in Regular session on Monday, August 18, 2025, at Utica Senior High School, 260 Jefferson Street, Utica, OH 43080.

The meeting was called to order by President Cooperider at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Hartley.

The following members were present at roll call: Mrs. Jordan Atherton, Mrs. Barbara Bruce, Mrs. Farrah Cooperider, Dr. Rob Krueger, and Mrs. Debra Paxton.

RECOGNITIONS

- None

REPORTS:

1. **Superintendent** – Mr. Hartley – Great start to the new school year; work continues on the water leak in the middle school. Congratulations to Mrs. Cooperider for receiving the 2025 OSBA Aptitude Award. We will need to fill the middle school head cook position due to a resignation.

2. **Treasurer** – The community donated over $7,000.00 to the Newton playground. Go4 agreement is ok.

3. **Finance Committee** – Mrs. Atherton – Strategic plan, MS facilities, three-year forecast

4. **Strategic Planning Committee** – Mrs. Atherton – Community survey is now available; staff has met.

5. **Communications Committee** – Mrs. Paxton – Village homecoming, celebrating 106 years; website

WORK SESSION

- None

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Public comment was requested and the following responded:

- Adam Beaubien – MS Principal

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

- **None**

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

2025-08-0102

Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the July 21, 2025, Regular Meeting and the August 13, 2025, Committee Meeting.

Yea: Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger – 5
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2025-08-0103

Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the Board approve the following personnel actions:

Certified

2.1 Approve the Licking Regional Educational Service Center Certificated Substitute List No. 3 for the 2025-2026 school year.

2.2 Approve the employment of Kenneth Poland as an intervention specialist on a one-year limited contract for the 2025-2026 school year, pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 1 of the Master's scale of the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.

Classified

2.3 Accept a letter of resignation from Kim Ward, food service cashier, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year for retirement.

2.4 Approve the employment of Lisa DesJardins in the position of food service cashier on a one-year limited contract for the 2025-2026 school year pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 3 of the F-2 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Paxton, – 5
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2025-08-0104

Dr. Krueger moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve the following financial actions:

4.1 Approve the financial and reconciliation reports for the Month of July 2025.

4.2 Approve bills as presented for July 2025 and payment of bills with "Then and Now" certificates.

4.3 Authorize the Treasurer and Superintendent to issue purchase orders in accordance with Board Policy 6400.

4.4 Authorize the following transfers:

Transfer from Account Description	*Amount*	*Transfer to Account Description*	*Amount*
Freshman Class	(2,678.53)	Sophomore Class	2,678.53
Sophomore Class	(1,418.49)	Junior Class	1,418.49
Junior Class	(7,897.87)	Senior Class	7,897.87
	(11,994.89)		11,994.89

Yea: Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Paxton – 5
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2025-08-0105

6.1 Dr. Krueger moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the Board approve the following volunteer for the 2025-2026 school year:

Farrah Cooperider

Yea: Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Paxton - 5
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2025-08-0106

6.2 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, that the Board approve the renewal quote with EMS, LINQ, LLC.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger – 5
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2025-08-0107

6.3 Dr. Krueger moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve the bus routes for the 2025-2026 school year as presented by the Transportation Department. All routes are subject to adjustments with the approval of the Superintendent.

Yea: Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Paxton – 5
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2025-08-0108

6.4 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, that the Board approve an overnight trip to Myrtle Beach, SC, for the Utica High School baseball team, from March 28 – April 1, 2026.

Yea: Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger – 5
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2025-08-0109

6.5 Mrs. Cooperider moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the Board approve an agreement with Go4 for athletic trainer services for the 2025-2026 school year, pending legal review.

Yea: Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Bruce, Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Paxton – 5
Nay: Mrs. Paxton - 1
The president ruled the motion carried.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC
Public comment was requested and the following responded:

- None

Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the meeting be adjourned.

Yea: Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger – 5
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 15, 2025

Location: Newton Elementary School
6645 Mount Vernon Road
Newark, OH 43055

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Farrah Cooperider, President

Kellie Breehl, Treasurer