The North Fork Board of Education met in Regular session on Monday, April 21, 2025, at Newton Elementary School, 6645 Mount Vernon Road, Newark, OH 43055.

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 – State Testing, Graduation is May 18, 2025, at C-TEC

2. **Treasurer** – Mrs. Breehl – State Budget Proposal

3. *(added)* **Buildings & Grounds Committee –** Dr. Krueger – Newton playground, Newton library painting, UMS outdated maintenance, trainer and locker room at UHS.

WORK SESSION

NEOLA Additions/Revisions

Second Reading

0131.1	Technical Corrections (Bylaws)
0171	Review of Policy – ***Rescind*** (Bylaws)
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5223	Released Time for Religious Instruction During the School Day (Students)
5330	Use of Medications (Students)
5350	Student Health, Well-Being, and Suicide Prevention (Students)
5460	Graduation Requirements (Students)
5610	Removal, Suspension, Expulsion, and Permanent Exclusion of Students (Students)
5751	Parental Status of Students (Students)
5780.01	Parents' Bill of Rights - ***New*** (Students)
6151	Insufficient Funds Checks (Finances)

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7421	Restrooms, Locker Rooms, Shower Rooms, and Changing Rooms – *New* (Property)
7440.01	Video Surveillance and Electronic Monitoring (Property)
8142	Criminal History Record Check for Contracted School Services (Operations)
8452	Automated External Defibrillators ("AED") and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (Operations)
8500	Food Services (Operations)

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

- None

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS
3.3 Remove Caitlyn West

OLD BUSINESS
- None

NEW BUSINESS

2025-04-0038

Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the March 17, 2025, Regular Meeting, and the April 2, 2025, Special Meeting.

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

2025-04-0039

Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve and certify the list of seniors for graduation on May 18, 2025, providing that all requirements set forth by the North Fork Board of Education and the State Department of Education have been met.

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

2025-04-0040

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

Certified

3.1 Accept a letter of resignation from Brian Foley, middle school teacher, effective the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

3.2 Accept a letter of resignation from Julia Kelly middle school counselor, effective the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

3.3 Approve the following certificated staff members to be awarded one-year limited contracts for the 2025-2026 school year; compensation to be as per the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.

Parker Caples	Cody Duke	Joseph Moorehead	Adam Schreiner
Lora Ellen Carter	Holly Fahner	Natalie Pullin	Rebecca Wallace
Brooklynn Cutrone	Jessica Mather	Karen Schmitt	~~Caitlyn West~~*(removed)*

3.4 Approve the following certificated staff members to be awarded two-year limited contracts for the 2025-2026 school year; compensation to be as per the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.

Melinda Gale	Dinah Rice	Abbie Taylor
Kirsten Herth	Carly Sumption	

3.5 Approve the following certificated staff members to be awarded three-year limited contracts for the 2025-2026 school year; compensation to be as per the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.

Drew Billman	Alexandra Keith	Kaitlynn Palmer	Joshua Sichina
Laura Brown	Kari Kelly	Jacquelyn Roudebush	Michael Twymon
Michelle Burd	Doug Leaman	Charles Rowley	Scott Wray
Kelsey Hite	Derek Morey	Morgan Sheasby	Julie Zimmerman

3.6 Approve the following certificated staff member to be awarded a continuing contract for the 2025-2026 school year; compensation to be as per the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.

Elizabeth Edinger

3.7 Approve the employment of Ruby Goddard in the position of high school Spanish teacher on a one-year limited contract for the 2025-2026 school year pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be Step 7 of the Masters scale of the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.

3.8 Approve an unpaid FMLA leave request for Lareese Evers effective April 14, 2025, through the end of the day on May 29, 2025.

3.9 Approve an FMLA leave request for Kambra Chrisman effective April 14, 2025, through the end of the day on May 29, 2025.

Extra Service/Supplemental

3.10 Employ Devon Firman on an Extra Service Contract for summer computer cleaning under the supervision of the Technology Supervisor, effective May 19, 2025, not to exceed 40 hours per week; total hours not to exceed 400 hours at the rate of $12.00 per hour.

3.11 Employ Mason Bowen on an Extra Service Contract for summer computer cleaning under the supervision of the Technology Supervisor, effective May 19, 2025, not to exceed 40 hours per week; total hours not to exceed 400 hours at the rate of $10.00 per hour.

3.12 Approve extended service time for the following for the 2025-2026 school year:

Middle School Dean of Students	15 days
Middle School Guidance Counselor	15 days
Middle School Vocational Agriscience Teacher	20 days
High School Guidance Counselor (2)	20 days
High School Vocational Agriscience Teacher	40 days
Work-Based Learning (WBL) Teacher	5 days
Technology Training Coordinator	40 days
Technology Coordinator	40 days
Technology Support Coordinator	20 days

3.13 Accept a letter of resignation from Terry Logue, Girls Basketball Head Coach.

3.14 Approve the following supplemental positions for the 2025-2026 school year, pending proper certification and background check:

Name	Position	Level	Step
Charlie Rowley	Football Head Coach	1	4
Lisa Ritzer	Volleyball Head Coach	1	4
Abbie Taylor	Cheerleader Advisor – HS	1	3
Preston Johnston	Cross Country Head Coach	2	4
Joe Bousquet	Golf Head Coach – Boys	2	4
Pam Vickers	Golf Head Coach – Girls	2	3
Mark Rakoczy	Wrestling Head Coach	1	4
Spencer Kendall	Basketball Head Coach – Boys	1	4
Joe Beaubien	Bowling Head Coach	4	1

Classified

3.15 Accept a letter of resignation from Paul Italiano, bus driver, effective the end of the 2024-2025 school year, for the purpose of retirement.

3.16 Approve the following classified staff member to be awarded a one-year limited contract for the 2025-2026 school year; compensation to be as per the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

Jodi Ramsey Terri Thompson

3.17 Approve the following classified staff members to be awarded two-year limited contracts for the 2025-2026 school year; compensation to be as per the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

Tracy Bailey	Krista Butler	Brenda Grady	Stacie Melick
Brandi Baker	David Crow	Cassandra Grennell	Payton Nelson
Lisa Balka	Kelley Daley	Chelsy Hatch	Kaytlin Poland
Richard Briones	Hanna Dolby	Tina Hull	Taylor Roberts
Susan Broehl	Autumn Farrell	Jescika Lahmon	Colleen Ruiz
Korena Broseus	Karalyn Firman	Charity Lindsey	Angel Sherburne
		Tasha Little	Sky Young-Deemer

3.18 Approve the following classified staff members to be awarded continuing contracts for the 2025-2026 school year; compensation to be as per the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

Kelly Evans Tim Kaiser

3.19 Approve the employment of Ashley Jones in the position of custodian on a one-year limited contract effective May 27, 2025, pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be Step 4 of the B-1 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

Administrative

3.20 Approve a three-year contract for Elizabeth Edinger as Elementary Principal, effective July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028; compensation to be at step 12 of the Elementary Principal's rate of the Administrative Salary Schedule.

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

2025-04-0041

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

5.1 Approve the financial and reconciliation reports for the Month of March 2025.

5.2 Approve bills as presented for March 2025 and payment of bills with "Then and Now" certificates.

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

5.4 Authorize the following transfers:

Transfer From:	**Transfer To:**	**Amount:**
General Fund	Food Service	$250,000.00
General Fund	Permanent Improvement	$250,000.00
	Total	**$500,000.00**

5.5 Approve an agreement with Julian & Grube, Inc. to perform agreed-upon procedures as required by the Ohio Administrative Code for all Ohio Department of Education (ODE) Medicaid School Program provider agencies for the period July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027. Each year's cost will not exceed $1,600.00.

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

2025-04-0042

7.1 Dr. Krueger moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the Board approve the following volunteers for the 2024-2025 school year:

Nadine Atherton	Mary Egan	Douglas Newsome	Jessica White
Andrew Clary	Cecilia Kane	Kara Schmid	Kenneth Wires
Jordan Daniel	Vicki Kildoo	Andrea Shaver	

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

2025-04-0043

7.2 Dr. Krueger moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the Board approve a high school Credit Recovery Camp targeting non-graduating seniors and credit-deficient juniors to be held June 2 – 13, 2025. The number of teachers is dependent on the final number of students. Final grades will be used to determine the final need.

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

2025-04-0044

7.3 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Dr. Krueger, that the Board approve the General Services Contract with the Licking Regional Educational Service Center for one year from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

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

2025-04-0045

7.4 Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve the Early Education Services for Children with Disabilities Contract with the Licking Regional Educational Service Center for one year from July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026.

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

2025-04-0046

7.5 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the Board approve the North Fork Local School District's iPad Loan Agreement.

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

2025-04-0047

7.6 Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve the Employee Technology Responsible Use Policy.

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

2025-04-0048

7.7 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Dr. Krueger, that the Board approve the Student Computer Responsible Use Agreement.

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

2025-04-0049

7.8 Dr. Krueger moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the Board approve the adoption of the following policy revisions/additions/deletions:

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

2025-04-0050

7.9 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, that the Board approve the agreement with SC Strategic Solutions LLC for comprehensive scanning services and software.

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

2025-04-0051

7.10 Mrs. Atherton moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, that the Board approve the agreement with the Impact Group for strategic planning services.

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

2025-04-0052

7.11 Dr. Krueger moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, that the Board approve the agreement with Strategic Management Solutions for E-Rate consulting services for funding year 2025.

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

2025-04-0053

7.12 Mrs. Atherton moved, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, that the Board approve an overnight trip to Ashland University in Ashland, OH, for the high school football team to attend a team camp from July 28, 2025, through July 29, 2025.

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

2025-04-0054

7.13 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, that the Board approve an overnight trip to Mount Union College in Alliance, OH, for wrestlers to attend a team camp from June 12, 2025, through June 14, 2025.

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

2025-04-0055

7.14 Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the Board approve an overnight trip to Manchester University in Indiana for wrestlers to attend a team camp from June 19, 2025, through June 26, 2025.

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

2025-04-0056

7.15 Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the Board approve an overnight trip to Oglebay in Wheeling, WV, for the girls' golf team to attend camp from June 9, 2025, through June 11, 2025.

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

2025-04-0057

7.16 Mrs. Atherton moved, seconded by Dr. Krueger, that the Board approve an overnight trip to the Eastern Ohio Sports Complex in Sherrodsville, OH, for the boys' basketball team to attend a team camp from June 8, 2025, through June 10, 2025.

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

2025-04-0058

7.17 Mrs. Bruce moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, that the Board approve an overnight trip to Ohio Northern University in Ada, OH, for the high school and middle school cheerleaders to attend a UCA camp from July 18, 2025, through July 21, 2025.

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

2025-04-0059

7.18 Mrs. Atherton moved, seconded by Mrs. Cooperider, that the Board approve the renewal agreement with Veregy to manage the district's peak load demand to limit annual demand fees charged by electricity generators.

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

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

- None

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

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

Time: 7:12 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 19, 2025

Location: Utica Senior High School
260 Jefferson Street
Utica, OH 43080

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Farrah Cooperider, President

Kellie Breehl, Treasurer