NORTH FORK LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA



Dr. Robert Krueger, President
Mrs. Farrah Cooperider, Vice President
Mrs. Jordan Atherton, Member
Mr. Daniel Pargeon, Member
Mrs. Debra Paxton, Member

Mr. Scott Hartley, Superintendent
Mrs. Kellie Breehl, Treasurer

Meeting Date: March 16, 2026
Meeting Time: 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Location:
Utica Elementary School
367 Church Street
Utica, Ohio 43055

0169.1 - **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AT BOARD MEETINGS**

The Board of Education recognizes the value to school governance of public comment on educational issues and the importance of allowing members of the public to express themselves on school matters of community interest. The Board offers public participation to members of the public in accordance with the procedures below. The Board applies these procedures to all speakers and does not discriminate based on the identity of the speaker, content of the speech, or viewpoint of the speaker.

The Board is also committed to conducting its meetings in a productive and efficient manner that assures that the regular agenda of the Board is completed in a reasonable period of time, honors the voluntary nature of the Board's time and using that time efficiently, and allows for a fair and adequate opportunity for input to be considered. Consequently, public participation at Board meetings will be governed by this bylaw.

In order to permit the fair and orderly expression of such comment, the Board shall provide a period for public participation at all public meetings of the Board and publish rules to govern such participation in Board meetings and publish rules to govern such participation in Board meetings.

The presiding officer of each Board meeting at which public participation is permitted shall administer the rules of the Board for its conduct.

The presiding officer shall be guided by the following rules:

A. Public participation shall be permitted as indicated on the order of business.
B. Anyone having a legitimate interest in the actions of the Board may participate during the designated public participation portion(s) of a meeting.
C. Participants must first be recognized by the presiding officer and will be requested to preface their comments by an announcement of their name, address, and group affiliation, if and when appropriate.
D. Each statement made by a participant shall be limited to five (5) minutes duration unless extended by the presiding officer.
E. During the portion of the meeting designated for public participation, no participant may speak more than once on the same topic unless all others who wish to speak on that topic have been heard.
F. All statements shall be directed to the presiding officer; no person may address or question Board members individually.
G. The presiding officer may:
    1. interrupt, warn, or terminate a participant's session when they make comments that are repetitive, obscene, and/or comments that constitute a true threat (i.e., statements meant to frighten or intimidate one (1) or more specified persons into believing that they will be seriously harmed by the speaker or someone acting at the speaker's behest).
    2. request any individual to stop speaking and/or leave the meeting when that person does not observe reasonable decorum or is disruptive to the conduct and/or orderly progress of the meeting;
    3. request the assistance of law enforcement officers in the removal of a disorderly person when that person's conduct interferes with the conduct and/or orderly progress of the meeting;
    4. call for a recess or an adjournment to another time when the lack of public decorum so interferes with the orderly conduct of the meeting as to warrant such action;

The portion of the meeting during which the participation of the public is invited shall be limited to thirty (30) minutes unless extended by a vote of the Board.

The Board may permit individuals to attend meetings remotely through live broadcast; however, public participation will be limited to those who are in attendance at the meeting site only. The Board is not responsible for any technology failures that prevent or disrupt any individual from attending remotely.

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Revised 11/21/16
Revised 10/15/18
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312 Maple Avenue, P.O. Box 497
Utica, Ohio 43080-0497

Attn: Board of Education

Please allow two to three weeks to answer your question.

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CALL TO ORDER TIME: _____

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL Atherton_____ Cooperider_____ Krueger_____ Pargeon_____ Paxton_____

RECOGNITIONS

REPORTS:

1. Superintendent
2. Treasurer
3. Committees:
   - Strategic Planning

WORK SESSION

NEOLA Additions/Revisions

First Reading
2431.06 (New) Name, Image, and Likeness (NIL) in Athletics (Program)
3440 Job-Related Expenses (Professional Staff)
4440 Job-Related Expenses (Classified Staff)
5112 Entrance Requirements (Students)
5223 Released Time for Religious Instruction During the School Day (Students)
5421 Grading (Students)
5422 Weighted Grading (Students)
(continued)

5430	Class Rank (Students)
6220	Budget Preparation (Finances)
6320	Purchasing and Bidding (Finances)
6325	Procurement – Federal Grants/Funds (Finances)
6423	Use of Credit Cards (Finances)
6424	Procurement Cards (Finances)
6425 (New)	Use of District Tax Exempt Certificate (Finances)
6460	Vendor Relations (Finances)
6465 (New)	Affinity, Rewards, or Other Discount Programs (Finances)
7540.09	(Replacement) Artificial Intelligence ("AI") (Property)

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

I. It is recommended that the Board waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the February 9, 2026, Regular Meeting.

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

II. It is recommended that the Board approve the following personnel actions:

Certified

2.1 Approve the Licking Regional Educational Service Center Certificated Substitute List No. 10 for the 2025-2026 school year.

(Item 2A)

2.2 Accept a letter of resignation from Julie Baker, elementary teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year for the purpose of retirement.

(Item 2B)

2.3 Accept a letter of resignation from Mark Bowman, high school teacher, effective August 18, 2026, for the purpose of retirement.

(Item 2C)

2.4 Accept a letter of resignation from Randy Felumlee, high school teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year for the purpose of retirement.

(Item 2D)

2.5 Accept a letter of resignation from Paul Gregory, high school teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year for the purpose of retirement.

(Item 2E)

2.6 Accept a letter of resignation from Melissa Pfister, elementary teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year for the purpose of retirement.

(Item 2F)

2.7 Accept a letter of resignation from Kimberly Stalling, high school teacher, effective October 7, 2026, for the purpose of retirement.

(Item 2G)

Extra Service/Supplemental

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

Name	Position	Level	Step
Stephanie Kimpel	After School Intervention (UE)	4	0

2.9 Accept a letter of resignation from Kaytlin Poland as district mail courier effective June 30, 2026.

(Item 2H)

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2.10 Accept a letter of resignation from Korena Broseus as an on-bus instructor (OBI) effective February 17, 2026.

(Item 2I)

Classified

2.11 Approve an FMLA leave request for Payton Nelson, effective March 2, 2026, through the end of the day on May 22, 2026.

2.12 Accept a letter of resignation from Valerie Ramsey, transportation driver, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year for the purpose of retirement.

(Item 2J)

Administrative

2.13 Approve a four-year contract for Brett Ballinger as Elementary Principal, effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2030; compensation to be at the Elementary Principal's rate of the Administrative Salary Schedule.

2.14 Accept a letter of resignation from Chris Kamenski, Middle School Principal, effective July 1, 2026.

(Item 2K)

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Pargeon	Y	N	A
Paxton	Y	N	A

III. ***Items pulled out for separate consideration.***

3.1 _____

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Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Pargeon	Y	N	A
Paxton	Y	N	A

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3.2 _____

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Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

IV. It is recommended that the Board approve the following financial actions:

4.1 Approve the financial and reconciliation reports for the Month of February 2026.

4.2 Approve bills as presented for February 2026 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 Approve the following appropriation modifications:

Appropriation Modifications

	Fund	*Original Appropriation*	*Increase/ Decrease*	*Total Appropriation*
Miscellaneous State Grants	*499*	-	*13,500.00*	*13,500.00*

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

V. *Items pulled out for separate consideration.*

5.1 _____

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Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

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5.2 _____

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Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

VI. Other Board Action – It is recommended that the Board:

6.1 Approve the following volunteers for the 2025-2026 school year:

Cassity Baker David Morris Esther Rudolph Megan Zander
Jeffery Hindel Khrista Ogle Michael Sheets

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.2 Approve the following volunteer coaches for the 2025-2026 school year:

Jessica Quinif Track Miranda McElroy Softball

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.3 Approve the "Leader in Me" agreement effective February 28, 2026, through February 27, 2028.

(Item 6A)

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

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6.4 Approve the Exclusive Beverage Agreement with G & J Pepsi-Cola Bottlers, Inc., effective February 15, 2026, through February 14, 2031.

(Item 6B)

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.5 Approve the North Fork Local School District to renew its membership, including paying the required dues, with the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2026-2027 school year and agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth by the Ohio High School Athletic Association.

(Item 6C)

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.6 Approve the Licking Regional Educational Service Center's Business Community Advisory Council's plan for 2025-2026.

(Item 6D)

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.7 Approve the JAMF renewal agreement for iPad Cloud management, effective May 31, 2026 – May 30, 2027.

(Item 6E)

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

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6.8 Approve the following students for early graduation, provided that all requirements set forth by the North Fork Board of Education and the State Department of Education have been met.

Hayvun Firman Serenity Johnson Hunter Roark Aden Webster

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.9 Approve a high school Credit Recovery Camp targeting non-graduating seniors and credit-deficient juniors to be held June 1 – 12, 2026. The number of teachers is dependent on the final number of students. Final grades will be used to determine the final need.

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.10 Approve the offering of a summer school program, if needed, for Utica Elementary and Newton Elementary students.

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.11 Approve the Negotiated Agreement between the North Fork Education Association (NFEA) and the North Fork Local School District Board of Education, effective July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2029.

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

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6.12 Approve an overnight trip to the Oglebay Resort in Wheeling, WV, for the Utica High School girls' golf team from June 7, 2026, through June 9, 2026.

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.13 Approve an FFA trip to the National Soils Competition from May 4 – 8, 2026, in Oklahoma.

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.14 Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with C-TEC for a Career Connections program for grades 6 – 8 as a program of C-TEC at Utica Middle School, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year.

(Item 6F)

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

6.15 Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with C-TEC for a Pre-Engineering program for grades 6 – 8 as a program of C-TEC at Utica Middle School, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year.

(Item 6G)

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y N A
Cooperider	Y N A
Krueger	Y N A
Pargeon	Y N A
Paxton	Y N A

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BOARD DISCUSSION

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

VII. It is recommended that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion_____ Second_____

Carried/Failed ____ to ____

Atherton	Y	N	A
Cooperider	Y	N	A
Krueger	Y	N	A
Pargeon	Y	N	A
Paxton	Y	N	A

Time: _____

Next Meeting: April 20, 2026

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

Time: 6:00 p.m.