The North Fork Board of Education met in Regular session on Monday, August 24, 2026, at Utica Senior High School, 260 Jefferson Street, Utica, OH 43080.

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

Mr. Hartley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Farrah Cooperider was appointed Treasurer Pro Tempore, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 3313.23.

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

RECOGNITIONS

- Mr. Hartley – Great start to the new school year. Congratulations!

REPORTS:

- Superintendent – Mr. Hartley – Smooth start to the year. Congratulations to Mrs. Cooperider for receiving the 2026 OSBA Aptitude Award. The new website (FinalSite) is up and running; Training for ParentSquare is taking place.

- Communications Committee – Mrs. Paxton – ParentSquare will be available; Homecoming dance is October 3, and the Homecoming parade is October 7.

- Buildings and Grounds Committee – Dr. Krueger – Items discussed were the elementary office floor repairs; chiller repairs; parking lots lighting; press box.

WORK SESSION

- Strategic Planning Goals 4 and 5 were reviewed.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Public comment was requested, and the following responded:

- None

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

- None

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

2026-08-0107

Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the July 20, 2026, Public Hearing and the July 20, 2026, Regular Meeting.

Yea: Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger – 4
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2026-08-0108

Mrs. Atherton moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, that the Board go into Executive Session, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22(G)(1), for the purpose of discussing the employment of an employee or official.

Time: 6:35 p.m.

Yea: Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger – 4
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at 7:29 p.m.

2026-08-0109

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

Certified

3.1 Approve the Licking Regional Educational Service Center Certificated Substitute List No. 3 for the 2026-2027 school year.

3.2 Approve the employment of Wesley Grant Rogers in the position of middle school agricultural science teacher, on a one-year limited contract for the 2026-2027 school year, effective August 4, 2026, pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 3 of the Bachelor's scale of the NFEA Agreement.

3.3 Approve the employment of Tyler Rosshirt in the position of high school math teacher, on a one-year limited contract for the 2026-2027 school year, pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 2 of the Master's scale of the NFEA Agreement.

Extra Service/Supplemental

3.4 Approve the following supplemental positions for the 2026-2027 school year, pending proper certification and background checks:

Name	Position	Level	Step
Samuel Drew Clanin	Cross Country Assistant Coach	4	0
Kenneth Poland	Football Assistant Coach	3	0
Brooklynn Cutrone	Freshman Class Advisor	6	0

3.5 Rescind the extra service contract for Lora Ellen Carter as a Home Instruction Tutor for the 2026-2027 school year.

3.6 Accept a letter of resignation from Carlton Tilley Jr. as Assistant Bowling Coach for the 2026-2027 school year.

Classified

3.7 Approve the employment of Tina Cummings in the position of transportation driver on a one-year limited contract for the 2026-2027 school year, effective August 17, 2026, pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 6 of the T-2 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

3.8 Accept a letter of resignation from Amber Carr, food service server, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year.

3.9 Approve the following employees to be included on the classified substitute list for the 2026-2027 school year:

Amber Carr Angel Keeran

Non-Degree

3.10 Approve the following as non-degree substitutes for the 2026-2027 school year, pending proper certification and background checks:

Chelsea Arsenault

Yea: Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Paxton – 4
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2026-08-0110

Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, that the Board approve the following financial actions:

5.1 Approve the financial and reconciliation reports for the Month of July 2026.

5.2 Approve bills as presented for July 2026 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 Approve the forecast as submitted by the Treasurer.

Yea: Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger – 4
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2026-08-0111

7.1 Mrs. Atherton moved, seconded by Mrs. Cooperider, to approve the following volunteer coaches for the 2026-2027 school year:

Tyler Billman	Golf
Preston Johnston	Cross Country

Yea: Mrs. Atherton, Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Paxton – 3
Abstain: Mrs. Cooperider - 1
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2026-08-0112

7.2 Mrs. Cooperider moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, to approve the bus routes for the 2026-2027 school year as presented by the Transportation Department. All routes are subject to adjustments with the approval of the Superintendent.

Yea: Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Atherton, Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Paxton – 4
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2026-08-0113

7.3 Mrs. Atherton moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with C-TEC for a two-year training program providing educator preparation for Career-Technical Workforce Development licensure for Wesley Grant Rogers. This agreement covers the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years.

Yea: Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger – 4
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2026-08-0114

7.4 Mrs. Cooperider moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, to approve an overnight trip to Cedar Point in Sandusky, OH, for the cross-country team following their evening race at Seneca East on September 12, 2026, returning on September 13, 2026.

Yea: Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Atherton, Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Paxton – 4
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

2026-08-0115

7.5 Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Cooperider, to 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.

Traeven M. Craig

Yea: Mrs. Paxton, Mrs. Cooperider, Mrs. Atherton, Dr. Krueger – 4
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried.

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

- None

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

Yea: Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger, Mrs. Paxton – 4
Nay: - 0
The president ruled the motion carried

Time: 7:43 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 21, 2026

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

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Rob Krueger, President

Kellie Breehl, Treasurer