The North Fork Board of Education met in Regular session on Monday, September 21, 2026, at Newton Elementary School, 6645 Mount Vernon Rd., Newark, Ohio 43055.

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, Mr. Daniel Pargeon, and Mrs. Debra Paxton.

RECOGNITIONS

- Representative Kevin Miller - Commendation for the Utica FFA Soil Team and Agricultural Team for their accomplishments.

REPORTS:

- Superintendent – Mr. Hartley – State report card; OSBA Capital Conference is scheduled for November 15 – 17.
- Treasurer – Sent to the board by Mrs. Breehl.

WORK SESSION

- NEOLA Additions/Revisions

First Reading

0145	Filling a Board Vacancy (Bylaws)
0146	Resignation or Removal (Bylaws)
1231	Outside Activities of Staff (Administration)
2265	Protections of Individual Beliefs, Affiliations, Ideals, or Principles of Political Movements and Ideology (Program)
2431	Interscholastic Athletics (Program)
2431.07	*New* - Extracurricular Participation of Non-Enrolled Public High School Students (Student Athlete Mobility "SAM ACT") (Program)
2461	Recording of District Meetings Involving Students and/or Parents – *Rescind* (Program)
3231	Outside Activities of Staff (Professional Staff)
4231	Outside Activities of Staff (Classified Staff)
5111.01	Homeless Students (Students)
5224	*New* - Youth Membership Organization Access (Students)
5330	Use of Medications (Students)
5463	Credits From State-Chartered and Nonchartered Nonpublic Schools (Students)
5514	Student Use of Bicycles, E-Bikes, Scooters, E-Scooters, and Other Personal Transportation Devices (Students)
6100	*New* – Proper Use of Public Funds (Finances)
6423	Use of Credit Cards (Finances)
7540.10	*New* – Recording and AI Processing of Communications on School Property and At School Events (Property)
8120	Volunteers (Operations)

8310	Public Records (Operations)
8330	Student Records (Operations)
8470	Sex Offender Notification (Operations)
9700	Relations with Special Interest Groups (Relations)

- Strategic Plan Goal 1 - Review

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

- None

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

- ***Remove*** Item VII – Executive Session

OLD BUSINESS
- None

NEW BUSINESS

2026-09-0116

Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, to waive the reading of and approve the minutes of the August 24, 2026, Regular Meeting.

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

2026-09-0117

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

Certified

2.1 Approve the Licking Regional Educational Service Center Certificated Substitute List No. 4 for the 2026-2027 school year.

Extra Service/Supplemental

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

Name	Position	Level	Step
Dean McKee	Softball Head Coach	1	5
Scott Daubert	Softball Assistant Coach	4	1

(continued)

Matt Wilson	Softball Assistant Coach	4	1
Tyler Keith	Baseball Head Coach	1	5
Brian Beaver	Baseball Assistant Coach	4	5
Randy Whisner	Baseball Assistant Coach	4	5
Jamie Taylor	Track Head Coach (Boys)	2	3
Ashton Schwendeman	Track Head Coach (Girls)	2	4
Cody Duke	Track Assistant Coach	4	2
James Meek	Track Assistant Coach (50%)	4	2
Derek Morey	Bowling Elementary Advisor (UE)	6	4

2.3 Approve the following teachers as Home Instruction Tutors for the 2026-2027 school year. The Superintendent will approve the number of hours and effective dates as needed. Compensation will be at the Home Instruction Tutor's rate of the NFEA Negotiated Agreement.

Karen Schmitt

Classified

2.4 Approve the employment of Andrea Perrine in the position of food service server on a one-year limited contract for the 2026-2027 school year, effective September 21, 2026, pending proper certification and background checks; compensation to be at Step 3 of the F-1 scale of the OAPSE Negotiated Agreement.

Yea: Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Paxton*, Mrs. Cooperider, Dr. Krueger, Mr. Pargeon* – 5*(3*)
Nay: ***- 2* - Mrs. Paxton – No on three baseball coaches. Mr. Pargeon – No on three baseball coaches.***
The president ruled the motion carried.

2026-09-0118

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

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

4.2 Approve bills as presented for August 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 FY27 Purpose Statements and Budgets as presented.

4.5 Authorize the following transfers:

Interfund Transfers

200-9909	Freshman	(895.42)	200-9910	Sophomore	895.42
200-9910	Sophomore	(2,817.16)	200-9911	Junior	2,817.16
200-9911	Junior	(5,964.59)	200-991	Senior	5,964.59

4.6 Approve the following appropriation modifications:

	Fund	*Original Appropriation*	*Increase/ Decrease*	*Total Appropriation*
Public School Support	***018***	***9,100.00***	***8,300.00***	***17,400.00***
Student Activities	***200***	***123,200.00***	***33,880.00***	***157,080.00***
District Managed Student Activities	***300***	***430,257.00***	***100,700.00***	***530,957.00***
Title IIA Federal Grant	***590***	***30,000.00***	***22,686.00***	***52,686.00***

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

2026-09-0119

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

Miranda McElroy Softball
Jessica Quinif Track

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

2026-09-0120

6.2 Mrs. Atherton moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, to approve the following volunteers for the 2026-2027 school year:

Sophie Ley

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

2026-09-0121

6.3 Mrs. Paxton moved, seconded by Mrs. Atherton, to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the North Fork Education Association and the North Fork Local School District Board of Education.

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

2026-09-0122

6.4 Mr. Pargeon moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, to approve an overnight trip to the National FFA Convention in Greenfield, IN, for the Utica FFA Chapter, from October 21 – 24, 2026.

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

2026-09-0123

6.5 Mrs. Atherton moved, seconded by Mr. Pargeon, 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.

Shaelyn Giffin Sarena Perrine Lotus Saum Ashley Teeters

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

2026-09-0124

6.6 Mrs. Cooperider moved, seconded by Mrs. Paxton, to approve the 2026-2027 Licking Regional Education Service Center Business Community Advisory Council's (BCAC) plan.

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

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

- Bethany Simon – Staff, Levy, Buildings

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

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

Time: 7:13 p.m.

Next Meeting: October 19, 2026

Location: Utica Middle School
260 Jefferson Street
Utica, OH 43080

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Rob Krueger, President

Kellie Breehl, Treasurer