MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORDONIA HILLS BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD ON AUGUST 15, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Nordonia Hills Board of Education was held on August 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Northfield Elementary Cafeteria, 9374 Olde Eight Road, Northfield, Ohio. The Board President, Mr. Douglas Masteller, called the meeting to order with the following members present:

Douglas Masteller, President
Gregory Harris, Vice President
Daniel Gallagher, Member
Betty Klingenberg, Member
Kim Sethna, Member

Also present:
Wayne Blankenship, Superintendent
Joe Clark, Assistant Superintendent
Kevin Staller, Treasurer
Tom Hartman, Business Director
Margo Costello, Pupil Services Director
Irene Beville, Curriculum Director

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES
11-08-15-276

It was moved by Mr. Gallagher and seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the following minutes:

Special Meeting – July 5, 2011 and July 18, 2011
Regular Meeting – July 18, 2011

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

COMMENDATIONS

The Board acknowledged and publically thanked the following for their generous time and efforts on the August levy campaign:

- Cherrie Jacofsky- levy co-chair
- Chad Lahrmer- levy co-chair
- Charles Frazzin- Treasurer
- Linda and Jeff Luce- volunteers
- Keyshaun Smith- student

No Board action taken.

COMMUNICATION

Joe Clark introduced the new teachers and administrators to the public and Board via a short professional biography and appearance before the audience.

- Joy Ellis- Intervention Specialist
- Jennifer Elliot- Intervention Specialist
- Kim Hauge- Intervention Specialist
- Josh Hayes- Lee Eaton Principal
- Jevonne Smith- Northfield Principal

Irene Beville reviewed the Race to the Top Grant progress. The district will be focusing on coordinating the Ohio Improvement Plan (OIP), implementing new evaluations and introducing new core standards.

No Board action taken.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Finance Committee:
- OSBA Legislative Liaison: No report.

- OSBA Student Achievement Liaison: No report.
- Curriculum Liaison: Kim Sethna announced that the district earned "Excellent with Distinction" for the second year in a row. The official state release won't come until August 24th. She also announced that the parent portal is up and running. This allows parents to file student forms online as well as pay fees electronically. The district calendar will be distributed later this month and an ad for opening school day information will appear in the NewsLeader this week.
- Facilities Liaison: No report.
- Policies and Procedures: No report.
- Public Relations Liaison: No report.
- Cuyahoga Valley Career Center: Betty Klingenberg spoke about CVCC's recent Vision Eight Conference and summer school.
- Athletic Advisory Committee: No report.
- Tax Incentive Review Board: No report.
- Technology and Information Systems: No report.

Doug Masteller spoke about the November levy initiative, a 6.00 mill continuing operating levy and the decision to let the Permanent Improvement levy expire. Both were accommodations to the public outcry for a smaller increase.

No Board action taken.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE A TRANSPORTATION SERVICE CONTRACT
11-08-15-277

It was moved by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mr. Gallagher to approve the following contract:

The Superintendent recommends approval of a contract with Suburban Transportation to provide transportation for students with disabilities to out-of-district placements, as needed, for the 2011-2012 school year. Average cost per student, per day is $58.50.
(Pages 8-10)

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

RECOMMENDATION TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP WITH THE OHIO SCHOOLS COUNCIL
11-08-15-278

It was moved by Mrs. Sethna and seconded by Mrs. Klingenberg to approve the following membership:

The Superintendent recommends that the District agree to participate as a member of the Ohio Schools Council for the school year 2011-2012. The public school membership fee is $916.04.
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Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

RECOMMENDATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OHIO SCHOOLS COUNCIL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM
11-08-15-279

It was moved by Mr. Gallagher and seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the following program:

The Superintendent recommends that the District agree to participate as a member of the Ohio Schools Cooperative Purchasing Program for the school year 2011-2012. The public school membership fee is $400.

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT THE TRANSPORTATION ROUTING SCHEDULE
11-08-15-280

It was moved by Mrs. Sethna and seconded by Mrs. Klingenberg to approve the following recommendation:

The Superintendent recommends, in accordance with revised State School Bus "Operational Policies and Safety Rules" (3301-83-13), approval of the transportation routing schedule for 2011-2012 school year. It is also recommended that the Superintendent or his/her designee be authorized to modify this routing schedule during the 2011-2012 school year.

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT FOR PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES BETWEEN THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NORDONIA HILLS CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND PETERMANN NORTHEAST, LLC.
11-08-15-281

It was moved by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mr. Gallagher to approve the following contract:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Nordonia Hills City School District, Summit County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. Approval and Execution of Contract for Pupil Transportation Services. The President or Vice-President and Treasurer of this Board are hereby authorized to sign, acknowledge and deliver, in the name of and on behalf of the School District, the Contract for Pupil Transportation Services with Petermann Northeast, LLC substantially in the form now on file with the Treasurer. The form of the Contract is approved with such changes therein that are not materially inconsistent with this Resolution and not substantially adverse to the School District and that are permitted by law and shall be approved by the Treasurer. The approval of such changes, and that such changes are not materially inconsistent with this Resolution and not substantially adverse to the School District, shall be conclusively evidenced by the signing of the Contract by those officials.

Section 2. Approval and Execution of Related Documents. The President or Vice-President and Treasurer of this Board and the Superintendent, or such other School District officials as shall be designated by those officials, as appropriate, are each authorized and directed to sign any certificates or documents, and to take such other actions as are desirable, advisable, necessary or appropriate, to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution and the Contract.

Section 3. Prior Acts Ratified and Confirmed. Any actions previously taken by School District officials or agents of this Board in furtherance of the matters set forth in this Resolution are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 4. Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of Education concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board of Education that resulted in such formal actions were held in meetings in compliance with the law.

Section 5. Captions and Headings. The captions and headings in this Resolution are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof. Reference to a Section means a section of this Resolution unless otherwise indicated.

Section 6. Resolution No. 11-06-13-233 is Superseded. Resolution No. 11-06-13-233 adopted by this Board on June 13, 2011 is hereby superseded by this Resolution.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH BELLEFAIRE JCB (MONARCH SCHOOL)
11-08-15-282

It was moved by Mrs. Klingenberg and seconded by Mrs. Sethna to approve the following agreement:

The Superintendent recommends the approval of the agreement with Bellefaire JCB for the provision of special education and related services for one (1) student to attend Monarch School for the 20011-2012 school year. The cost of the contract is $75,000.
(Pages 12-13)

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE PAY-TO-PARTICIPATE FEES
11-08-15-283

It was moved by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mrs. Klingenberg to approve the following fees:

The Superintendent recommends that the Board approve the following charges for the pay-to-participate program for the 2011-2012 school year as follows:

High School Band	$100.00/student
High School Choir	$100.00/student
Middle School Band	$50.00/student
Middle School Choir	$50.00/student

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL ITEMS
11-08-15-284

It was moved by Mrs. Sethna and seconded by Mr. Harris to approve the following personnel items:

CERTIFIED:

KINDERGARTEN READINESS ASSESSMENT FOR LITERACY (KRA-L)

The Superintendent recommends that the following employees be reimbursed for their participation in the KRA-L screening paid at the curriculum rate; not to exceed 24 hours:

Alecia Glorioso	Amanda Juhasz	Crystal Dangler
Dawn Soukup	Elaine Beno	Heather MacRaild
Jaime Hoon	Janis Roskoph	Jen Beck
Jen Gruber	Jill O'Hara	Sandi Stanley

KRA-L SCREENING ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

The Superintendent recommends that Kathleen Bradley be reimbursed for her administrative support during the KRA-L screening; not to exceed 24 hours.

CURRICULUM WORK

The Superintendent recommends that the following employees be reimbursed for curriculum work in August (paid at the curriculum rate):

Carol Tonsing	Samantha Fales	Andy Matlack
Shyla Urban		

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Superintendent recommends that the following employees be reimbursed for facilitating professional development in August paid at the curriculum rate; not to exceed 8 hours:

Alecia Glorioso	Kelly Mileti	Annette Lang

SUPPLEMENTALS
(High School Non-Athletics)

HS Department Chair		
Special Education	Michael Griffen	11.00%

(Non-Athletic)

NF Content Advocate*		
ELA K-4	Lisa Bass	6.00%

*Funded through Title IIA Federal Dollars

Mentorship Committee		
Senior Mentor	Deb Scheip	4.00%
Coordinator	Carol Papile	4.00%

SUBSTITUTES

Linda Chaloupka
Brenda Siracusa

CLASSIFIED:

RETIREMENT

Dennis McMahon, RW Building Foreman, for the purpose of retirement, effective 9/1/2011

RESIGNATION

Rose Austin, HS Cafeteria Helper, effective 8/4/2011

Karen Gedeon, NF Media Resource, effective 8/24/2011

Patricia Miller, HS Building Interventionist, effective 8/3/2011

NEW ASSIGNMENT

Debra Hudson (R) from Reduction in Force to HS Administrative Assistant, 4.0 hours per day, 5 days per week, Classification II, Pay Grade II, Step 0, effective 8/8/2011

Jennifer North (N) HS One-on-One Interventionist, 7.0 hours per day, Classification III, Pay Grade III, Step 0, effective 8/24/2011

CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT

Julie Crawford (R) NF One-on-One Interventionist, decrease from 6.25 hours per day to 4.5 hours per day, Classification III, Pay Grade III, Step 1, effective 8/24/2011

Laura Jachna (R) RW Paraprofessional, increase from 3.5 hours per day to 4.0 hours per day, Classification IV, Pay Grade II, Step 7, effective 8/24/2011

Joyce Pitts (R) LE Paraprofessional, increase from 6.0 hours per day to 7.0 hours per day, Classification IV, Pay Grade II, Step 7, effective 8/24/2011

Dena Svoboda (R) LE Building Interventionist, from 5.0 hours per day to 6.0 hours per day, Classification III, Pay Grade II, Step 4, effective 8/24/2011

Eileen Wood (N) from NF Building Interventionist, 4.5 hours per day to LE One-on-One Interventionist, 7.0 hours per day, Classification III, Pay Grade III, Step 7, effective 8/24/2011

SUBSTITUTES

Patricia Miller	Building Interventionist
Susan Ross	Paraprofessional

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
11-08-15-285

It was moved by Mrs. Klingenberg and seconded by Mrs. Sethna to approve the Financial Statements as follows for the month ending July 31, 2011:

A. Financial Report by Fund – FYTD & MTD (Pages)
B. Comparative Financial Report (Page)

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE TRANSFER
11-08-15-286

It was moved by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mr. Gallagher to approve the transfer as follows for the month ending July 31, 2011:

TRANSFER:

From:	General Fund	(001)	$15,000.00
To:	HS Athletics	(300)	$15,000.00
Description:	Annual Support to HS Athletics 2011		

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

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ADJOURNMENT
11-08-15-287

It was moved by Mrs. Sethna and seconded by Mrs. Klingenberg to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

Yeas: Mr. Masteller, Mr. Harris, Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Klingenberg, Mrs. Sethna
The President declared the motion passed.

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President

Kevin Stoller
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Treasurer

Treasurer's Note: The meeting was audiotaped and videotaped.