

### **MINUTES**

Nordonia Hills City School District Nordonia Board of Education Meetings January Regular Board Meeting Monday, January 13, 2020, 7:01 pm - 7:24 pm Northfield Elementary School 9374 Olde Eight Road, Northfield, Ohio 44067

#### In Attendance

Chad Lahrmer; Judy Matlin; Liz McKinley; Tammy Strong; William Busse

### A. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Agenda

Resolution 2020-1-13-9

Move: Chad Lahrmer Second: Judy Matlin Status: Passed

Yes: Tammy Strong, Chad Lahrmer, Liz McKinley, Judy Matlin, William Busse

4. Communications:

Dr. Clark: Ohio School Board Appreciation Month

- 5. Open Forum
- 6. Committee Reports:

Finance Committee
OSBA Legislative Liaison
Curriculum & Instruction Liaison
Facilities Liaison
Cuyahoga Valley Career Center
Nordonia Hills Foundation Liaison
Tax Incentive Review Board
Technology and Information Systems
Special Education Liaison

Mr. Virost reported on the Cuyahoga Vallley Career Center.

### B. SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Approve Consent Items:

Adopt School Calendar

Adopt School Calendar for the 2021-22 school year.

### OHSAA Athletic Membership Resolution

Membership in the Ohio High School Athletic Association for the 2020-21 school year. No cost associated with the membership.

Resolution Declaring Transportation Impractical for Certain Identified Students

WHEREAS the student(s) identified below have been determined to be residents of this school district, and

eligible for transportation services; and

WHEREAS after a careful evaluation of all available options, it has been determined that it is impractical to provide transportation for these student(s) to their selected school(s); and

WHEREAS the following factors as identified in Revised Code 3327.02 have been considered:

- 1. The time and distance required to provide the transportation
- 2. The number of pupils to be transported
- 3. The cost of providing transportation in terms of equipment, maintenance, personnel, and administration
- 4. Whether similar or equivalent service is provided to other pupils eligible for transportation
- 5. Whether and to what extent the additional service unavoidably disrupts current transportation schedules
- 6. Whether other reimbursable types of transportation are available; and

WHEREAS the option of offering payment in lieu of transportation is provided in Revised Code;

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

Section 1. This Board hereby approves the declaration of impractical to transport for the identified students, and offering them payment in lieu of transportation.

Section 2. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board or committees, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Student Name Briana Reid School Selected Archbishop Hoban Parent/Guardian Name

Dan Reid

Resolution 2020-1-13-10

Move: Chad Lahrmer Second: Tammy Strong Status: Passed

Yes: Tammy Strong, Chad Lahrmer, Liz McKinley, Judy Matlin, William Busse

# 2. Resolution Opposing the State of Ohio EdChoice Scholarship (Voucher) Program

WHEREAS, the Ohio legislature has recently made amendments which greatly increase the number and availability of vouchers for students to attend private/parochial schools at public tax expense, and

WHEREAS, such vouchers will be available to numerous families and students who have never attended Nordonia or any other public schools and for whom state funding has never been provided to Nordonia or any other public schools, and

WHEREAS, Nordonia's state funding will be unjustly decreased by the amount of the vouchers provided to such families and students who have not and will not attend public schools and others who transfer to private/parochial schools, and

WHEREAS, private/parochial schools accepting students with public tax vouchers would not be required to accept all students but would be permitted to retain their selective admission policies without enforcement of other laws applicable to public schools, and

WHEREAS, private/parochial school students are not subject to the testing standards required of public school students so that the actual performance of private/parochial schools subsidized with public tax dollars will not be known, relative to equivalent public school evaluation standards, and

WHEREAS, this Board believes that the EdChoice voucher program as it currently exists presents serious constitutional issues regarding the separation of church and state and the funding of religious institutions with public tax dollars, and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has the constitutional responsibility to secure a thorough and efficient system of common schools, and

WHEREAS, the EdChoice voucher program will have exactly the opposite effect by providing funding to private/parochial schools at the expense and to the detriment of public schools and their students.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Nordonia Hills City School District Board of Education that this Board reaffirms its commitment to free accessible public schools which are adequately and equitably funded to guarantee a comparable education for ALL children and therefore opposes and respectfully requests the repeal of the ill-conceived EdChoice voucher program of the State of Ohio.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Board opposes any funding programs, vouchers or otherwise, that have the effect of diverting public tax dollars from public schools to private/parochial schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to forward copies of this Resolution to all Ohio state legislators, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and Governor of the State of Ohio.

Resolution 2020-1-13-11

Move: Tammy Strong Second: Chad Lahrmer Status: Passed

Yes: Tammy Strong, Chad Lahrmer, Liz McKinley, Judy Matlin, William Busse

### 3. Approve Personnel Items:

Resolution 2020-1-13-12

Move: Chad Lahrmer Second: Judy Matlin Status: Passed

Yes: Tammy Strong, Chad Lahrmer, Liz McKinley, Judy Matlin, William Busse

#### a. Certified:

i. Retirement/Resignation

None

ii. New Appointment/Assignment:

None

iii. Long-Term Substitute

None

iv. Home Instruction

None

v. <u>Curriculum (</u>All are paid at the curriculum rate of \$28.51/hr., unless otherwise noted).
 LLI Training preparation, not to exceed 8 hours each, effective January 1, 2020:

Ann Wachs Emma Sacha

## vi. Supplementals (based on BA/0 - \$40,735)

(High School Athletics): HS Polar Knights, Sean Sandvick, 2.0%\* HS Polar Knights, Mike Martin, 2.5%

\*Correction

(Elementary Non-Athletic): LV Music Show, Beth Petracco, 2.0%

## vii. Non-Athletic Stipend

Musical Performance Stipend for Spring Musical. (Funds to be paid through Drama Club)

Kevin Niese, Orchestra Conductor and Director, \$2,000

#### b. Classified:

i. Resignation/Retirement

None

ii. New Assignment

None

## iii. Change of Assignment

Jennifer Gale, from MS Paraprofessional, 7 hours per day to MS Custodian, 8 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective 1/13/20, Step 2, \$18.08/hr.

Nicole Kasmer, LV Paraprofessional, increase from 5.0 hours to 7.0 hours per day, 5 days per week, effective 1/6/20, Step 2, \$16.12/hr.

John Ryan, from Rushwood 2nd Shift Custodian to Lee Eaton Building Foreman, effective 1/13/20\*

\*Correction

iv. Substitute

### C. TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

### 1. Approve Consent Items:

Special Board Meeting Minutes - December 16, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes - December 16, 2019 Financial Statements - December 2019 Financial Presentation for December 2019

Resolution 2020-1-13-13

Move: Tammy Strong Second: Chad Lahrmer Status: Passed

Yes: Tammy Strong, Chad Lahrmer, Liz McKinley, Judy Matlin, William Busse

### 2. Request for Advance of Local Taxes

Resolution 2020-1-13-14

Move: Chad Lahrmer Second: Tammy Strong Status: Passed

Yes: Tammy Strong, Chad Lahrmer, Liz McKinley, Judy Matlin, William Busse

### 3. Fund Transfer

\$1,000 from HS Bookstore (Fund 020/9701) to 200/9712

Resolution 2020-1-13-15

Move: Chad Lahrmer Second: Judy Matlin Status: Passed

Yes: Tammy Strong, Chad Lahrmer, Liz McKinley, Judy Matlin, William Busse

### D. ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular meeting of the Board will be held on Monday, February 24, 2020, at 7 PM at Northfield Elementary School, 9374 Olde Eight Road, Northfield, Ohio 44067

The Board unanimously consented to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 P.M. The President declared the motion passed.

Resolution 2020-1-13-16

Move: Judy Matlin Second: William Busse Status: Passed

Yes: Tammy Strong, Chad Lahrmer, Liz McKinley, Judy Matlin, William Busse

Karen E. Obratil, Treasurer/CFO

Treasurer's Note: The meeting was video recorded.