

**Minutes of the NORTH ROYALTON BOARD OF EDUCATION Regular Meeting/Work Session
Held June 9, 2016
North Royalton High School Community Room**

SUMMARY

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. RESOLUTION 2016-173: FINALIZATION OF AGENDA
- V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
- VI. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
- VII. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS
- VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS
- IX. RESOLUTION 2016-174: ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
- X. RESOLUTION 2016-175: MOTION TO ADJOURN

- I. CALL TO ORDER.** President Jacquelyn Arendt called the regular meeting of the North Royalton Board of Education to order at 6:34 PM, June 9, 2016, at the North Royalton High School Community Room.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** President Jacquelyn Arendt requested all present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
- III. ROLL CALL.** Present: President Jacquelyn Arendt, Vice-President Dr. Susan Clark, Heidi Dolezal, Dr. John Kelly and Anne Reinkober. Also present were Superintendent Gregory Gurka, Treasurer Biagio Sidoti, and Assistant Superintendent James Presot.
- IV. RESOLUTION 2016-173: FINALIZATION OF AGENDA.** Resolve the Board of Education to approve the agenda as presented.

Moved by Kelly

Seconded by Clark

Voting Aye: Kelly, Clark, Arendt, Dolezal, Reinkober
Motion Carried

- V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.** The public is invited to speak to any of the agenda items and other school topics at this time.

Chairman of the Community Engagement Task Force, Vince Weimer, spoke to the board about the committee's recommendation based on feedback from the community survey that was mailed to residents in May. It is the recommendation of the Community Engagement Task Force that the North Royalton Board of Education move forward and place a bond issue on the November ballot.

- VI. REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

a. Superintendent's Update

Mr. Gurka introduced High School Assistant Principal Kevin Atkins and High School Athletic Director Bo Kuntz to discuss possible changes to the Athletic Handbook. They would specifically like to address the first offense of the current alcohol/tobacco policy in which athletes would miss 50% of the season's games if they violate the alcohol/tobacco policy. The proposal is to keep the 50% consequence with the stipulation that if the athlete enrolls in a district approved counseling program, we would consider reducing the consequence to missing 20% of the season. The second offense would remain the same in which the athlete would miss the remainder of the season. The third offense would remain as the forfeiture of athletics through the remainder of their high school career. The Ohio High School Athletic Association allows districts to govern their own consequences. Mr. Atkins and Mr. Kuntz looked at 12 out of 14 districts in our conference as to what their policies are. The second and third offenses are consistent. It is the first offense that varies. Four of the districts do what is being proposed above. Several others have the first offense as 20% forfeiture for the season. The purpose of the proposed change is to educate athletes and allow them to seek help if needed.

The board and administration discussed this proposed change with Mr. Atkins and Mr. Kuntz. It was decided to investigate this subject further and re-visit it at the July board meeting.

Summer Board Office Hours: The board office hours will be 7:00 AM - 3:00 PM from June 13, 2016 through July 29, 2016.

Valley Vista Hall of Fame: Mr. Gurka and Mrs. Vojta will be going to Columbus with members of the Valley Vista staff for the Hall of Fame Ceremony.

Staffing: Mr. Gurka discussed the staffing for next school year and how it is effected by retirements, leaves of absence and enrollment numbers.

Fundraising Discussion: Dr. Kelly contacted Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) to seek input on fundraising for school districts. He found that this is basically unchartered territory. The OSBA gave Dr. Kelly contacts for several people. Dr. Kelly then shared this information with Mr. Gurka and Mr. Sidoti who set up meetings with these various organizations. Most of the companies have never done fundraising for schools. The Hodge Group showed interest in this type of fundraising with donations being contingent on the passage of a bond issue. Mr. Gurka discussed his meeting with The Hodge Group with the board and the possibility of moving forward with this project.

Transportation Department: Mr. Presot reviewed the district's fleet inventory and discussed the replacement of several vehicles.

Food Services: Mr. Presot discussed the food services department with the board. Food services made some changes this year with rolling out the breakfast program to all buildings, adding several additional offerings at the high school and attrition of staff. These changes went very well and the department ended the year with a small profit. They are looking into additional changes this year to the high school program and some of the cooking equipment.

Insurance: Mr. Presot updated the board on the district's current fleet and general liability insurance contracts. He also discussed the resolution that is on Monday's agenda.

Cell Towers: Mr. Presot updated the board on the recently approved addendum to the cell tower contract with Crown Castle/Global Signal. Crown Castle/Global Signal has re-contacted Mr. Presot about some additional ground space needs at the cell tower. Mr. Presot will report back to the board at the July work session to update them on the discussion.

Mr. Sidoti presented the financial report for month ending May 31, 2016 and the Suburban Health Consortium report. He also went over several financial items.

c. **Upcoming Agenda Review.** The board reviewed the June 13, 2016 regular meeting agenda and made changes where needed.

VII. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

a. Community Engagement/Bond Issue Discussion

The board discussed the possibility of putting a bond issue on the November ballot and scheduled two special board meetings to move forward: June 15, 2016 at 6:30 PM and June 21, 2016 at 6:30 PM, both at the North Royalton High School Community Room.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Regular Meeting	June 13, 2016	7:00 PM	NRHS Community Room
Policy Meeting	June 21, 2016	4:15 PM	BOE Conference Room
Special Meeting (Appropriations)	June 27, 2016	7:15 PM	BOE Conference Room
Recreation Board Meeting	June 28, 2016	6:00 PM	NR City Hall
Regular Meeting/Work Session	July 7, 2016	6:30 PM	NRHS Community Room
Regular Meeting	July 11, 2016	7:00 PM	NRHS Community Room
Financial Advisory & Audit Mtg.	July 14, 2016	7:00 PM	BOE Conference Room

IX. RESOLUTION 2016-174: ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION. Adjourn to executive session at 8:52 PM to consider the employment of a public official and to consider matters required to be confidential by federal law.

Moved by Kelly
Voting Aye: Kelly, Dolezal, Reinkober, Clark, Arendt
Motion Carried

Seconded by Dolezal

Meeting called back to order at 9:21 PM.

X. RESOLUTION 2016-175: MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:21 PM.

Moved by Kelly
Voting Aye: Kelly, Clark, Dolezal, Reinkober, Arendt
Motion Carried

Seconded by Clark

ATTEST:

Brian Sidoti

TREASURER

Jeff Clark

BOARD PRESIDENT

July 11, 2016

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