

**Minutes of the NORTH ROYALTON BOARD OF EDUCATION ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**  
**Held January 7, 2016 6:30 PM**  
**North Royalton High School Community Room**

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**SUMMARY**

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. OATH OF OFFICE - BOARD MEMBERS (Dolezal, Kelly, Reinkober)
- V. RESOLUTION 2016-01: NOMINATE AND ELECT BOARD PRESIDENT
- VI. OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED BOARD PRESIDENT (Jacquelyn Arendt)
- VII. RESOLUTION 2016-02: NOMINATE AND ELECT BOARD VICE PRESIDENT
- VIII. OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED BOARD VICE PRESIDENT (Susan Clark)
- IX. RESOLUTION 2016-03: ADOPT ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER
- X. RESOLUTION 2016-04: REAFFIRM BOARD POLICIES AND PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION FOR 2016
- XI. RESOLUTION 2016-05: ESTABLISH ORDER OF BUSINESS
- XII. RESOLUTION 2016-06: ESTABLISH SERVICE FUND
- XIII. RESOLUTION 2016-07: AUTHORIZATION FOR TREASURER
- XIV. RESOLUTION 2016-08: AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERINTENDENT
- XV. RESOLUTION 2016-09: ESTABLISH TIME AND PLACE FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS
- XVI. RESOLUTION 2016-10: RENEW MEMBERSHIP IN THE OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION
- XVII. RESOLUTION 2016-11: RENEW OSBA LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND MEMBERSHIP
- XVIII. RESOLUTION 2016-12: REPRESENTATION OF LEGAL COUNSEL (Squire Patton Boggs)
- XIX. RESOLUTION 2016-13: REPRESENTATION OF LEGAL COUNSEL (The Riley Law Firm)
- XX. RESOLUTION 2016-14: REPRESENTATION OF LEGAL COUNSEL (Ennis Britton Co., L.P.A.)
- XXI. RESOLUTION 2016-15: REPRESENTATION OF LEGAL COUNSEL (Smith Peters Kalail Co., L.P.A.)
- XXII. RESOLUTION 2016-16: AUTHORIZATION OF TAX COMPLAINTS
- XXIII. RESOLUTION 2016-17: AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH PRICES AND FEES
- XXIV. RESOLUTION 2016-18: DECLARATION OF PUBLIC PURPOSE
- XXV. RESOLUTION 2016-19: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DISTRICT SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS
- XXVI. RESOLUTION 2016-20: AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS TO DETERMINE WHEN TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS AND OTHER EMPLOYEES PARTICIPATE IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS OR IN OTHER OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS WHICH SUPPORT THE BEST INTEREST OF THE NORTH ROYALTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT.
- XXVII. RESOLUTION 2016-21: COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS
- XXVIII. RESOLUTION 2016-22: ADJOURN

**I. CALL TO ORDER.** President Pro Tempore, Anne Reinkober, called the organizational meeting of the North Royalton Board of Education to order at 6:30 PM, January 7, 2016, at the North Royalton High School Community Room.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** President Pro Tempore, Anne Reinkober, requested all present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**III. OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS.** Treasurer Biagio Sidoti administered the oath of office to the newly elected board members:

- 1. Heidi Dolezal
- 2. John Kelly
- 3. Anne Reinkober

**IV. ROLL CALL.** Present: President Pro Tempore Anne Reinkober, Jacquelyn Arendt, Heidi Dolezal, Dr. Susan Clark and Dr. John Kelly. Also present were: Superintendent Gregory Gurka, Treasurer Biagio Sidoti, Assistant Superintendent James Presot, Director of Personnel Patrick Farrell, staff, media and visitors.

**V. RESOLUTION 2016-01: NOMINATE AND ELECT BOARD PRESIDENT.**

Mrs. Anne Reinkober nominated Mrs. Jacquelyn Arendt for Board President. There were no other nominations.

Motion to close nominations.

Moved by Mrs. Heidi Dolezal

Seconded by Dr. John Kelly

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

Motion Carried

Roll call for Mrs. Jacquelyn Arendt for Board President.

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

Mrs. Jacquelyn Arendt was elected President of the Board of Education for 2016.

**VI. OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED BOARD PRESIDENT.** Treasurer, Biagio Sidoti administered the oath of office to newly elected Board President, Jacquelyn Arendt.

**VII. RESOLUTION 2016-02: NOMINATE/ELECT BOARD VICE PRESIDENT.**

Dr. John Kelly nominated Dr. Susan Clark for Board Vice President. There were no other nominations.

Motion to close nominations.

Moved by Mrs. Anne Reinkober

Seconded by Mrs. Dolezal

Voting Aye: Reinkober, Dolezal, Arendt, Kelly, Reinkober

Roll call for Dr. Susan Clark for Board Vice President.  
Voting Aye: Arendt, Clark, Dolezal, Kelly, Reinkober

Dr. Susan Clark was elected Vice President of the Board of Education for 2016.

**VIII. OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED BOARD VICE PRESIDENT.** Treasurer, Biagio Sidoti administered the oath of office to the newly elected Board Vice President, Dr. Susan Clark.

**IX. RESOLUTION 2016-03: ADOPT ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER.** Resolve the Board of Education adopt Robert's Rules of Order as parliamentary guidelines for conducting meetings and appoint the treasurer as parliamentarian.

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

Seconded by Reinkober

**X. RESOLUTION 2016-04: REAFFIRM BOARD POLICIES AND PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION FOR 2016.** Resolve the Board of Education reaffirm Board Policies and the Philosophy of Education for 2016.

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

Seconded by Clark

**XI. RESOLUTION 2016-05: ESTABLISH ORDER OF BUSINESS.** Resolve the Board of Education establish the Order of Business for regular meetings of the board held during 2016 as follows:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Finalization of Agenda
- V. Approval of Minutes
- VI. Recognition of Guests and Presentations
- VII. Public Participation
- VIII. Committee Reports
- IX. Reports and Recommendations of the Treasurer
- X. Reports and Recommendations of the Superintendent
- XI. Additional Business
- XII. Announcements
- XIII. Adjourn

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

Seconded by Kelly

**XII. RESOLUTION 2016-06: ESTABLISH SERVICE FUND.** Resolve the Board of Education establish a service fund for 2016, as set forth in ORC 3315.15, in the amount of \$20,000.00.

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

Seconded by Clark

**XIII. RESOLUTION 2016-07: AUTHORIZATION FOR TREASURER.** Resolve the Board of Education authorize the treasurer to:

- A. Make appropriation modifications within each fund to any other appropriation classification within such fund as the need may arise
- B. Pay all bills within the limits of the appropriations resolution as bills are received and when merchandise has been received in acceptable condition
- C. Sign all checks (one signature) drawn on the Board of Education accounts
- D. Eliminate the reading of the minutes of the last board meeting
- E. Make advances and transfers as needed and report same to the board
- F. Make investments with active funds, as they are available

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

Seconded by Kelly

**XIV. RESOLUTION 2016-08: AUTHORIZATION FOR SUPERINTENDENT.** Resolve the Board of Education authorize the superintendent/designee to:

- A. Employ such personnel as needed
- B. Apply for and coordinate all state and federal programs
- C. Serve as purchasing agent for the district
- D. Approve professional conferences

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

Seconded by Kelly

- XV. RESOLUTION 2016-09: ESTABLISH TIME AND PLACE, FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS.**  
Resolve the Board of Education set the following dates at North Royalton High School Community Room, unless otherwise indicated, as the dates and place for 2016 Regular Meetings of the Board of Education.

**Regular Meetings/Work Sessions, 6:30 PM**

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
7	4	3	7	5	9	7	4	8	6	3	8

**Regular Meetings, 7:00 PM**

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
11	8	7	11	9	13	23*	11	8	12	10	7**	12

*\*The June 23rd (appropriations meeting) will take place in the Board of Education Conference Room*

*\*\*The November 7th regular meeting will take place in the High School Media Center*

Moved by Dolezal

Seconded by Clark

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

Motion Carried

- XVI. RESOLUTION 2016-10: RENEW MEMBERSHIP IN THE OHIO SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION.**  
Resolve the Board of Education renew its membership with the Ohio School Boards Association effective January 1 through December 31, 2016.

Moved by Reinkober

Seconded by Kelly

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

Motion Carried

- XVII. RESOLUTION 2016-11: RENEW OSBA LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND MEMBERSHIP.** Resolve the Board of Education renew membership in the Ohio Schools Board Association's Legal Assistance Fund effective January 1 through December 31, 2016.

Moved by Kelly

Seconded by Dolezal

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

Motion Carried

- XVIII. RESOLUTION 2016-12: REPRESENTATION OF LEGAL COUNSEL.** Resolve the Board of Education approve Squire Patton Boggs for legal counsel representation, on an as needed basis for the 2016 calendar year.

Moved by Reinkober

Seconded by Kelly

Discussion:

Mrs. Dolezal informed the board and public that while she was not present at the Special Board Meetings in October for the legal counsel interviews, she did review all of the request for proposals and listened to the tapes from those meetings.

Dr. Clark explained that since she was not part of the legal counsel selection process she will be abstaining from voting.

Voting Aye: Reinkober, Kelly, Dolezal, Arendt

Abstain: Clark

Motion Carried

- XIX. RESOLUTION 2016-13: REPRESENTATION OF LEGAL COUNSEL.** Resolve the Board of Education approve The Riley Law Firm for legal counsel representation, on an as needed basis for the 2016 calendar year.

Moved by Dolezal

Seconded by Kelly

Voting Aye: Dolezal, Kelly, Arendt, Reinkober

Abstain: Clark

Motion Carried

- XX. RESOLUTION 2016-14: REPRESENTATION OF LEGAL COUNSEL.** Resolve the Board of Education approve Ennis Britton Co., L.P.A., for legal counsel representation, on an as needed basis for the 2016 calendar year.

Moved by Kelly

Seconded by Reinkober

Voting Aye: Kelly, Reinkober, Arendt, Dolezal

Abstain: Clark

Motion Carried

- XXI. RESOLUTION 2016-15: REPRESENTATION OF LEGAL COUNSEL.** Resolve the Board of Education approve Smith Peters Kalail Co., L.P.A., for legal counsel representation, on an as needed basis for the 2016 calendar year.

Moved by Kelly

Seconded by Dolezal

Voting Aye: Kelly, Dolezal, Arendt, Reinkober

Abstain: Clark

Motion Carried

- XXII. RESOLUTION 2016-16: AUTHORIZATION TO FILE TAX COMPLAINTS.** WHEREAS, O.R.C. 5715.19 provides that the Board of Education may file complaints as to the valuation or assessment of real estate property, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that the Board of Education duly exercise said complaints, and

WHEREAS, in connection with the valuation of real property within the North Royalton City School District; it is necessary for tax purposes, to review actions of the Cuyahoga County Board of Revision, Common Pleas Court and the Board of Tax Appeals of the State of Ohio;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the North Royalton City School District that appearances before the Cuyahoga County Board of Revision, the filing of complaints therein, and the filing of prosecution of appeals from orders of the Cuyahoga County Board of Revision by the law firms of Smith Peters Kalail Co., L.P.A., and Ennis Britton Co. L.P.A., on behalf of the North Royalton Board of Education, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer be authorized on behalf of the North Royalton Board of Education to execute, or cause to be executed, all complaint documents as determined by the Treasurer, upon the advice of Smith Peters Kalail Co., L.P.A., and Ennis Britton Co., L.P.A., to be necessary pursuant to O.R.C. 5715.19 to be filed with appropriate Cuyahoga County or State offices.

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

Seconded by Reinkober

**XXIII. RESOLUTION 2016-17: AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH PRICES AND FEES.** BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 3313.642 and Section 3313.813, the Superintendent be authorized to establish school lunch and milk prices, class fees, student fees, and other appropriate school fees.

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

Seconded by Dolezal

**XXIV. RESOLUTION 2016-18: DECLARATION OF PUBLIC PURPOSE.** WHEREAS, the Attorney General of the State of Ohio has issued formal opinions (OAG 81-052 & OAG 82-006) with regard to the authority of a school board and units of local government to grant certain non-salary employee benefits, and to expend public funds for the purchase of coffee, meals, refreshments and other amenities, and

WHEREAS, it is the determination of the Board of Education that it is in the best interests of the North Royalton City School District to grant certain non-salary benefits to its employees. In accordance with this authority, the District may provide meals and/or refreshments at meetings, formal and informal, of District employees, board members, or others which further the objectives of the North Royalton City School District; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that under authority of and in accordance with OAG 81-052 & OAG 82-006, the North Royalton Board of Education now authorizes the non-salary benefits to the employees of the School District and the expenditure of funds for the purchase of coffee, meals, refreshments and other amenities for its officers, employees and other persons in the course of conducting school district business.

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

Seconded by Kelly

**XXV. RESOLUTION 2016-19: ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DISTRICT SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS.** In accordance with Board Policy 9211, the North Royalton City Schools Board of Education acknowledges the following support organizations:

1. Parent Teacher Associations (PTAs)
2. Parent Teacher Association Council
3. Band Boosters
4. Choir Boosters
5. Athletic Boosters
6. North Royalton Education Foundation
7. North Royalton Stadium Foundation
8. Partnership for a Healthy North Royalton

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

Seconded by Dolezal

**XXVI. RESOLUTION 2016-20: AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS TO DETERMINE WHEN TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS AND OTHER EMPLOYEES PARTICIPATE IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS OR IN OTHER OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS WHICH SUPPORT THE BEST INTEREST OF THE NORTH ROYALTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT.**

WHEREAS, the District has a long history of employing individuals who are recognized by their peers as leaders of their profession; and

WHEREAS, as professional leaders, District employees are often asked to take leadership or planning roles with professional organizations, service organizations and other outside organizations; and

WHEREAS, there will be times when their leadership or planning roles with those organizations may require attendance at meetings during the work day; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools is in the best position to determine when the interests of the North Royalton City School District is served by the employee's participation in such organizations.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to determine when a teacher, administrator or other employee's participation in a professional organization, service organization or other outside organization, is in the best interest of the North Royalton City School District such that the individual so serving should be considered acting within the scope of their employment while serving in that role. The Superintendent of Schools shall determine when an employee can engage in such approved service during their normal work day.

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

Seconded by Clark

**XXVII. RESOLUTION 2016-21: COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS.** The Board of Education President designates the following 2016 Committee Assignments:

**COMMITTEES**

Business Advisory Council  
Financial Advisory  
Policy

**BOARD REPRESENTATIVES**

Dr. John Kelly with alternate, Mrs. Anne Reinkober  
Mrs. Heidi Dolezal with alternate, Mrs. Anne Reinkober  
Mrs. Jacquelyn Arendt and Dr. Susan Clark

**LIAISONS**

OSBA Legislative Liaison

Mrs. Jacquelyn Arendt

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

Seconded by Dolezal

**XXVIII. RESOLUTION 2016-22: MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Moved by Kelly

Seconded by Clark

Discussion: Dr. Kelly said that it meant a great deal to him that everyone was present and was grateful how hard they worked this past fall. He hopes that he can live up to the expectations and that the board will be successful moving forward.

Mr. Gurka thanked Mrs. Reinkober for her service and hard work as Board President in 2015.

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

ATTEST:

Bingno Sabet.  
TREASURER

Joseph Ball  
BOARD PRESIDENT

2/8/16  
DATE

2-10-16  
DATE