

NORTH ROYALTON CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2015
6:30 P.M.**

SPECIAL MEETING



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SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, September 17, 2015 – 6:30 PM
North Royalton Board of Education Conference Room
6579 Royalton Road, North Royalton, OH 44133**

- I. CALL TO ORDER** ____:____ PM
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. ROLL CALL**
- J. Arendt _____ S. Clark _____ J. Kelly _____
A. Reinkober _____ B. Zindroski _____
- IV. FINALIZATION OF AGENDA.** Resolve the Board of Education approve agenda as presented.
- J. Arendt _____ S. Clark _____ J. Kelly _____
A. Reinkober _____ B. Zindroski _____
- V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.** The public is invited to speak to any of the agenda items. Comments should be limited to five minutes.
- VI. RESOLUTION OPPOSING HB70 AS IT RELATES TO THE YOUNGSTOWN CITY SCHOOLS AND ITS BOARD OF EDUCATION.**

WHEREAS, public schools have been the hallmark of the American education system and the foundation of the nation’s democracy; and

WHEREAS, Ohio’s schools have traditionally been governed by an elected Board of Education whose members have been chosen by their fellow community members to make sound decisions about educating their community’s children and to determine the most effective use of local tax dollars in pursuit of that goal; and

WHEREAS, those restructuring changes were contained in a last-minute amendment to House Bill 70, which the Ohio General Assembly passed without any serious input from the Youngstown City Board of Education or Youngstown community; and

WHEREAS, this amendment was adopted by Columbus-based legislators with little or no connection to the Youngstown community and without any genuine effort to engage those most affected by the action; and

WHEREAS, this legislation lays the groundwork for the same restructuring changes to take place in other districts across the state

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the elected members of the North Royalton City School District Board of Education, on behalf of the children and community we serve, do object and protest the manner in which this legislation was passed and question how district reforms and improvements can be achieved without involving and engaging the elected Board of Education and Youngstown community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we ask the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, as the manager of the academic distress commission process, to take appropriate steps to engage the elected Board of Education and community in the school improvement process prior to appointment of the new CEO; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we implore members of the Ohio General Assembly, the State Board of Education, and Governor John R. Kasich to seek amendments to House Bill 70 and the academic distress commission procedures that will preserve and enhance democracy and local control; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such amendments should embrace the original intent of House Bill 70: to foster community engagement and collaboration and to create community learning centers to better serve Youngstown’s children and families; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the North Royalton City Schools Board of Education hereby adopts this resolution and directs the District Treasurer to reflect this action in the Board of Education’s meeting minutes and that copies be distributed to the Governor, members of the Ohio General Assembly, the State Board of Education and State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

J. Arendt _____ S. Clark _____ J. Kelly _____
A. Reinkober _____ B. Zindroski _____

VII. REVIEW OF LEGAL COUNSEL RFP’s (Request for Proposals).

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Engagement Task Force Mtg.	Sept. 22, 2015	7:00 PM NRMS
Rec Board Meeting	Sept. 29, 2015	6:00 PM NRHS City Hall
Transportation Appeals Committee Meeting	Oct. 6, 2015	9:30 AM BOE Conference Rm.
Regular Board Meeting/Work Session	Oct. 8, 2015	6:30 PM NRHS Community Rm.
Regular Board Meeting	Oct. 12, 2015	7:00 PM NRHS Community Rm.

IX. ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION. Motion to go into executive session at _____:_____PM to consider matters required to be kept confidential by law.

J. Arendt _____ S. Clark _____ J. Kelly _____
A. Reinkober _____ B. Zindroski _____

Call the meeting back to order at _____:_____PM.

X. ADJOURN _____:_____ PM

J. Arendt _____ S. Clark _____ J. Kelly _____
A. Reinkober _____ B. Zindroski _____