

**NORTHPORT SCHOOL COMMITTEE AGENDA**  
**November 8, 2022 Edna Drinkwater School**  
**6:00 pm Regular School Committee Meeting**

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum – Mark called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Citizen Comments – No Citizens Present
3. Consent Agenda – Deb made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Sandy seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

A. Approval of Minutes of Regular School Committee meeting

4. Reports

A. Superintendent

\* The staff had their first A.L.I.C.E. training on Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. The Waldo County Sheriffs' Department as a component of school preparedness in the event of an active shooter in the building.

\* With an emphasis on school safety we have spent approximately \$20,000 for upgrades and training which was not in the current budget but will be covered with anticipated carryover in the Spring.

\* We have contracted with a new Physical Therapist. As with speech and occupational therapy we have contracted with Waldo Country Hospital.

\* As snowplowing season approaches we are in our last year of subcontracting with the town. We will soon need to discuss future plans in early Spring for the 2023-2024 season.

\* The portable computer lab grant that we had been awarded has been ordered. The cost of the lab is paid by the district up front and the State will then reimburse the district. The software license will be paid for by the district after this current year.

\* The Superintendent is still waiting to purchase the new generator. The latest timeline is now receiving the generator in April. It was ordered in February 2022.

## B. Principal

\* Our annual food drive will be from Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup> – Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be various different incentives for students as they collect food items for the Northport Food Pantry.

\* Our Veterans Day celebration will be in the form of an outreach program this year. Our middle school students will deliver cards, poems, and carnations to veterans at the Soup Kitchen in Belfast and to Veterans at Harbor Hill. Thank you to the teachers for preparing cards, to Mrs. Gilman for arranging our outreach visitations, and to Ms. Vail & Ms. Silvey for giving our middle school students the opportunity to give back to local Veterans.

\* There will be a Sky Party on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. The Northern Stars Planetarium will bring telescopes so we can view the stars from our playground. There will be a session for our younger students and one for our older students. Our PTG will provide hot cocoa and snacks for all.

\* Mrs. Bierwas is organizing and running our after school program. This program, on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, allows our students to participate in various, focused activities after school. Mr. Smith is also offering a basketball clinic on Mondays and Wednesdays. Thank you staff members and volunteers for providing high quality programming for our students.

\* Our PTG Halloween party went well. Students had a great time and it was exciting for them to once again be able to build our Haunted Playground.

## C. School Committee – N/A

## D. Finance

\* The audit is in the process of being compiled. The business manager is working with the auditor to complete it.

\* The Year to Date report was provided to the Board.

\* A monthly spreadsheet will be given to the Board each month detailing the grants that the district is currently maintaining and their balances.

5. Facilities – We will be putting our radio antenna on the roof so our new school and bus radios will become active.

6. School Safety Updates – The next ALICE training will be held on Friday, November 18, 2022.

Deb made a motion to adjourn at 6:43 p.m. Sandy seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Next School Committee meeting: **December 13, 2022**