

NORTHERN TIOGA SCHOOL DISTRICT

110 Ellison Road
Elkland, PA 16920

Minutes – Work Session

April 27, 2026

The Northern Tioga School District Board of Directors met for a work session in the Board Room at 110 Ellison Road, Elkland, PA. The session was called to order by Board President, Rod Butler at 6:00 PM.

Board Attendance: Board Members Present: Rod Butler, Greg Cummings, Allison D’Haene, Denice Mack, James Moyer, and Julie Preston. Absent: Craig Stage, Kim Strauser, and Ed Bonham.

Administrators Present: Superintendent Kaufman, Kathy VanSchaick, Dan Fie, Kathryn Slavinski, Matt Sottolano, Daren Bryant, and Jess Millard.

0.1 2026/2027 Budget Discussion

Kathy VanSchaick, Business Manager started by recapping the Budget Presentation provided during the April 13, 2026, Board Meeting. Kathy reviewed updated revenues and expenditures noting that the budget has a deficit of \$289,804.00. Adding a second athletic trainer would increase the deficit to \$349, 804. Possible approaches were reviewed with the Board to address the deficit that included increasing proposed state revenues, tax increases, and the use of reserves. After much discussion, the proposed 2026-27 budget will include balancing with RTL Adequacy Funds with a 0% tax increase.

0.2 2026/2027 Equipment Request Discussion

2026/2027 Equipment Requests, totaling \$270,755.77, were reviewed by the Board. These items will be purchased with funds remaining from the 2025/2026 budget, if any. The Technology Replacement Equipment was approved for purchase at the February 2, 2026, Board Meeting due to anticipated supply availability and price increases. Technology Replacement items will be funded with the Technology Reserve.

0.3 Open Forum

Bob Goodrich, Osceola, PA: Mr. Goodrich thanked the board. He suggested the district relook at the philosophy and totality toward finances. He also stated that he would have waited 5-6 years for the athletic project.

Steve Spencer, Corning, NY: Mr. Spencer wanted to thank the board and administration for the lunch that was provided on April 17th. It was greatly appreciated.

The board adjourned the work session at 7:47 PM.

An executive session for purposes authorized by the Sunshine Act was held following tonight’s meeting.

Brittany Mondock
Board Secretary