

NORTHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
School Board Minutes
Special Meeting

December 28, 2022
District Office Boardroom

1. Call to Order
Board Chair Claudia Gonzalez-George called the Special meeting of the Northfield Board of Education of Independent School District No. 659 to order at 10:10 a.m. Present: Baraniak, Butler, Goerwitz, Gonzalez-George, and Quinnell. Absent: Pritchard. This meeting was open to the public, live-streamed and recorded, and access to the recording was posted to the school district website.
2. Agenda Approval/Table File
On a motion by Goerwitz, seconded by Quinnell, the board unanimously approved the agenda.
3. Items for Discussion and Reports
 - a. FY2022 Audit Results and Presentation. Craig Popenhagen, Principal at CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP, presented the results of the 2021-22 fiscal year audit. His comments focused on the executive audit summary. The auditors issued a clean opinion on financial statements with no comments, and issued what is known as a “clean” audit report with no findings in the internal controls, financial reporting, or preparation of the audit papers. There were no compliance issues noted in their review of the federal programs and COVID relief funds. The board commended Director Mertesdorf and the finance office staff for their excellent work.
4. Items for Individual Action
 - a. FY2022 Audit. On a motion by Goerwitz, seconded by Butler, the board approved the 2021-2022 audit reports as presented.
5. Future Meetings
 - a. Monday, January 9, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Organizational Board Meeting followed by the Regular Board Meeting, Northfield DO Boardroom
 - b. Monday, January 23, 2023, 6:00 p.m., Regular Board Meeting, Northfield DO Boardroom
6. Adjournment
On a motion by Quinnell, seconded by Baraniak, the board adjourned at 10:51a.m.

Valori Mertesdorf
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer