

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
December 16, 2014

The school board members held a work session from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. All board members were present except Mr. Colson.

Discussion Items:

- A. CASB Policy Sections D. and E., continued review

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by school board president Mr. Swain. All board members were present.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was said by those present.

B. Request for Additional Items

Ms. Barkemeyer made a motion to add an Executive Session-Student Issue-C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(h) following Old Business. Seconded by Mr. Colson. Roll call vote: “ayes” 5, “no’s” 0. Motion Carried.

II. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE SCHOOL BOARD

Lory Herndon handed out to the board members information on ethics of excellence. Discussion occurred.

III. COMMUNITY REPORTS

None

IV. STUDENT REPORTS

None

V. STAFF REPORTS

Sheila Henderson said she had good news about the lunch program at this meeting. The free breakfast program for the elementary students has started and was expanded to include the middle school students this year. Breakfast is delivered to the classrooms for the elementary thru eighth grade students. The breakfast carts are also brought to the high school students to be able to get a breakfast if they want. 45 of 92 high school students ate breakfast today.

The average for free seconds for lunches served is on the average of 25 meals a day. A lot of fruit is eaten by the students as there is not a limit for students under the new meal program. She also noted 350 home made meals were served at the community dinner that was held recently. It does take a lot of man hours to prepare, but well worth it for good community rapport. Sheila noted the meal program will need more money from another general fund transfer to complete the school year. It takes more food and more staff hours to prepare meals for the students. She also noted it was not in the budget for free breakfast costs for the middle school students when the budget was approved in June. Mrs. Martin wanted to do this for the start of the current school year.

VI. CELEBRATIONS

Celebrations included: a lunch room article, the district is up from prior improvement to a performing district, 19 middle school and 29 high school students were honored with a breakfast and the 2014 audit has been completed.

VII. APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Approval of November Minutes
- b. December General Fund Bills
- c. Approval of Substitute Staff
- d. Approval of 2014 School District Audit
- e. 2nd and Final Reading of Norwood School District Core Policy BG
- f. Approval of Ms. McKeever's Retirement Letter

Ms. Barkemeyer made a motion to approve consent items: A,B,C,D,E. Seconded by Mr. Bray. Roll call vote: "aye's" 5, "no's" 0. Motion Carried.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- F. Approval of Ms. McKeever's Retirement Letter

Ms. Barkemeyer made a motion to approve the retirement of Ms. Dee McKeever. Seconded by Mr. Bray. Roll call vote: "aye's" 5, "no's" 0. Motion Carried.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

- A. DAAC Report

At the DAAC meeting assessments were discussed.

- B. UNBOCES Report

None.

- C. WSCF

None.

- D. PTA Report

None.

- E. Other Board Reports

None.

X. OLD BUSINESS-Set up Special Meeting for Supt. Evaluation in January

A meeting was set for January 19th at 7:00 p.m. for the superintendent evaluation to be done.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Colson made a motion for the board to go into executive session to discuss a student issue as per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(h). Seconded by Mr. Bray. Roll call vote: “aye’s” 5, “no’s” 0. Motion Carried. The board went into executive session at 8:02 and remained in executive session until 8:09. Those present in executive session were: Mr. Swain, Mr. Colson, Mr. Ordean, Ms. Barkemeyer, Mr. Bray, Mr. Crews, Ms. Gipner and Mrs. Rasmussen.

XII. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

A. Superintendent Report

Mr. Crews discussed the valedictorian and salutatorian criteria where an individual has to be a full time student for two consecutive years to be considered for the valedictorian and salutatorian of their class. District insurance information was being received on the possibility of allowing employees the ability to opt out of taking health insurance if they were already covered by a spouse on their plan. Also discussed was the possibility of consolidating bus routes. Ernie Williams was given praise for going above and beyond with helping a bus activity situation with the middle school boys basketball team.

B. Principal Report

None.

XIII. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

None.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Anne Krason