

*The Mission of the Norwood Public Schools is to Foster Success in All Students by Educating Them in a Safe and Respectful Environment.*

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**November 15, 2016**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by school board president Mr. Ordean.

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

The pledge of allegiance was said by those present.

**B. Request for Additional Items**

Mr. Olson made a motion to add Item F. Approve resignation of High School Wrestling Coach Bob Harris. Seconded by Ms. Bruce. Roll call vote: "aye's" 5, "no's" 0. Motion Carried.

**II. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

Carrie Andrews thanked the board for their support of the Library Ballot issue. Carrie stated they hope to break ground in 2017.

**III. STUDENT REPORTS**

None

**IV. COMMUNITY REPORTS**

None

**V. STAFF REPORTS**

Mr. Ernie Williams reported on bus and small vehicle miles. Mr. Williams suggested we purchase a bus in the near future. He informed the board a bus will cost between \$125,000 to \$150,000. Mr. Williams answered several questions from the board on mileage, repair and maintenance of vehicles.

## **VI. CELEBRATIONS**

Mr. Crews stated the Radiometric Weather Station located on the Tech Building has been a great learning experience for all involved.

Ms. Gipner reported 21 seniors have been offered admission to 65 colleges and have earned over a million dollars in scholarships to date.

Mr. Olson stated it has been one year already for the new board members serving on the board.

Mrs. Rasmussen shared the ELG Coach is very impressed with how hard our teachers are working towards their goals.

Mrs. Brantingham received a \$3,500.00 Reflex Math grant.

## **VII. APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS**

- A.** Approve October 18, 2016 Minutes.
- B.** Approve November General Fund bills
- C.** Approval of Bond Payment
- D.** Ratify School Calendar Closing on October 26, 2016.
- E.** Approve 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Changes to Policy GBGJ
- F.** Approve Resignation of High School Wrestling Coach Bob Harris

Ms. Bruce made a motion to approve consent items: **A.** October 18, 2016 Minutes **B:** November General Fund Bills. **C.** Approval of Bond Payment. **F.** Approval of Resignation of High School Wrestling Coach Bob Harris. Seconded by Mr. Bray. Roll call vote: “aye’s” 5, “no’s” 0. Motion Carried.

## **VIII. ACTION ITEMS**

- D.** Ratify School Calendar School Closing on October 26, 2016

Ms. Bruce made a motion to approve ratify school closing on October 26, 2016. Seconded by Mr. Olson. Roll call vote: “aye’s” 5, “no’s” 0. Motion Carried.

- E.** Approve 1<sup>st</sup> reading of changes to Policy GBGJ.

Mr. Crews explained the changes to the board. After a short discussion Mr. Morlang made a motion to approve 1<sup>st</sup> reading of changes to Policy GBGJ. Seconded by Mr. Olson. Roll call vote: “aye’s” 5, “no’s” 0. Motion Carried.

## **IX. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS**

- A. DAAC** - none

**B. UNBOCES** – Mr. Crews stated the UNBOCES is possibly looking at a new health insurance program for all five districts to see if we can get better the plans for all involved. The

SAC committee discussed having PLC's for Principals quarterly to begin possibly in January 2017. Finances were also discussed.

**C. WSCF** – Mr. Crews and Mrs. Henderson completed the “MOU” to establish the CPP slots for the Wright Stuff.

**D. PTA** – Mrs. Brantingham reported the PTA account has \$2,800.00 in it and they have had no requests from teachers to use the funds. Mrs. Brantingham reported the Fall Festival was a huge success for all involved. She also reminded the board “Bring Your Family to Lunch” is Friday, November 18. Mrs. Brantingham also stated the PTA will be doing breakfast for the ACT Test on December 10 and need help. The Santa Workshop is December 12 thru December 16. Students and parents can shop for their friends and families during this time.

#### **E. OTHER BOARD REPORTS – none**

### **X. NEW BUSINESS**

CASB Winter Conference – Mr. Crews informed the board they are registered and set to attend the CASB Conference in December.

### **XI. OLD BUSINESS**

**POLICY JLCDB** – Administration of Medical Marijuana to Qualified Students Policy was discussed. Mr. Crews stated CASB will have the updated policy ready for the December Board Meeting.

#### **Community Communications –**

There is a need for another post secondary article for the newspaper.

Kathryn Westcott will take pictures for the paper but will no longer write the articles for the newspaper.

Mr. Olson stated he would always like to have open communication with teachers and all staff to keep the lines open at all times. He feels this is beneficial to all involved.

### **XII. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

#### **A. Superintendent Report**

Mr. Crews stated Mr. Rick Williams may be able to apply for the Counselor's Grant again.

Mr. Crews informed the board he called CASB on the Resolutions and was told all board members and himself were emailed the Resolutions on September 9, 2016. Mr. Ordean would like us to look for these issues next year at this time.

Mr. Crews thanked Williams Construction on their hard work on the water break. They worked hard and the job was done efficiently and quickly.

Mr. Crews discussed the article on the brain he had given the board to read.

Mr. Crews informed the board the Board Meeting for December needed to be before the 15<sup>th</sup> to certify the mill levy. It was decided to have the board meeting on December 13, 2016.

### **B. Principal Report**

Principal report was in board packets. Mrs. Rasmussen reported everything is fantastic with the Early Literacy Grant. Teachers continue to work extremely hard

Mrs. Rasmussen praised Mrs. Dean and what a great asset she is for the district.

Ms. Gipner reported on a safety workshop she and Mrs. Westcott attended. They received a lot of great information.

### **XIII. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS - None**

### **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Bray made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m. Seconded by Ms. Bruce  
Roll call vote: “aye’s” 5, “no’s” 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Epright