



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**

August 23, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:01 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

None

II. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

III. COMMUNITY REPORTS

None

IV. STUDENT REPORTS

None

V. STAFF REPORTS

None

VI. CELEBRATIONS

Ms. Gipner stated the first day of school was GREAT! Secondary staff worked hard on Positive Behavior and students seemed happy to be at school. Mrs. Rasmussen stated the elementary staff worked on a "Wishes" theme and enjoyed their first day with students.

Mr. Crews is pursuing motivational speakers to help with the Positive Behavior Program.

VII. APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS

- A.** Approve June 21, 2016 and July 19, 2016 Minutes.
- B.** June and July General Fund bills
- C.** Approval of 2nd and Final Reading of Policy GBGG, Discretionary Leave Reimbursement
- D.** Approval of 2016-2017 Extra Duty Assignments

Mr. Ordean made a motion to approve consent items: **A.** June 21, 2016 Minutes and July 19, 2016 Minutes. **B:** June and July General Fund Bills. **C.** Approval of 2nd and Final Reading of Policy GBGG, Discretionary Leave Reimbursement **F.** Approval of 2016-2017 Extra Duty Assignments. Seconded by Mr. Bray. Roll call vote: "aye's" 5, "no's" 0. Motion Carried.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

NONE

IX. DISCUSSION

New attendance policy was discussed. Communication will be the key to making the new policy work. Parents and students need to be accountable.

X. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

- A. DAAC** – None.
- B. UNBOCES** – Mr. Morlang attended a UNBOCES retreat. He learned about what and how the UNBOCES support the schools. School finance was also discussed.
- C. WSCF** – Melissa Merrill – new person in charge of Prime Time reported her and Sharon are working at running things smoothly. She stated the after school program is going well. Michael Estwanik has been hired as the Executive Director to write grants for Wright Stuff. He has been very good with community outreach.
- D. PTA** - None

E. OTHER BOARD REPORTS – Mr. Keith Williams stated he is very pleased with the current football and volleyball programs. The atmosphere is good and athletes are excited to be playing. All athletes have signed contracts and showing understanding of the “Shift Why” concept.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

None

XII. OLD BUSINESS

Curriculum Development – Continuing to be work in progress and going well.

Community Communications – Mr. Keith Williams will get sport schedules to businesses. On September 9 at 9:00 a.m. there will be “Coffee with the Community” at Happy Beli Deli with some board members and administration to get community involvement and communication continuing to evolve.

Why We Play Committee Discussion –The program seems to be on the right track.

XIII. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

A. Superintendent Report

- *Mr. Crews informed the board about the loss of a former student in a car accident and the center for mental health was at the school to help students and staff with the loss.
- *Phase I of the sidewalk project is complete.
- *Roof project is complete.
- *We have a need for more paraprofessionals for special education, we will advertise for one and ½ positions.
- *Mr. Crews will present a new policy on the administration of Medical Marijuana to qualified students, Policy JLCDB.
- *Staff Trainings have gone well
- *The UNBOCES training on August 22 for all schools was good. The superintendents from all UNBOCES schools discussed the Threat Assessment program.
- *The bus drop off and pick up has been moved to the east side of the building in front of the breezeway for safety purposes.
- *Projected Student count is currently 236.
- *There was a good turnout for the open house for the secondary students on August 18. Next year we will have the elementary open house on the same night.
- *Mr. Crews attended THE Colorado Department of Education School Board meeting in Grand Junction, CMU. The assessment data from last year was reported on. The report lead to discussions about the PARRC assessments.

B. Principal Report

Mrs. Rasmussen stated the new Reading Program is fantastic. Teachers are super excited to learn and implement the program this year. Elementary Open House is Wednesday, August 24, 2016. Teachers are filming presentations for parents who cannot be there and the video will be put on the website. September 1, 2016 is Literacy night and a representative will give a presentation on the new program from 6:30 until 7:30.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Ordean made a motion for the board to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues as per C.R.S. 24-6-402(4) (f) and student issues as per C.R.S. 24-6-402 (4) (h). Seconded by Mr. Morlang. Roll call vote: “aye’s” 5, “no’s” 0. Motion carried. The board went into executive session at 8:33 p.m. and out of executive session at 8:48 p.m. Those present in executive session were: Mr. Ordean, Mr. Bray, Ms. Bruce, Mr. Morlang, Mr. Olson, Mr. Crews, Ms. Gipner, Mrs. Rasmussen and Mrs. Epright.

XV. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS (If needed)

None

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bray made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Morlang. Roll call vote: “aye’s” 5, “no’s” 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Epright