



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
January 19, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:05 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

I. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE SCHOOL BOARD

None

III. REPORTS

Mr. Mike Nelson of CSD & Co. presented the Norwood School District Financial Audit for the 2014-2015 school year. Mr. Nelson thanked the board for the opportunity to present the audit and stated he would be giving highlights of the audit tonight. He also thanked the administrative staff for all their hard work and help with the audit. He stated there were no surprises in his audit work; but did want to point out several pages to the board members. He encouraged the board members to look at pages three thru eight for an overview of the financial status of the district. Overall the district is in good shape.

IV. STUDENT REPORTS

STUCCO Representatives, DJ Snow, Treasurer, Devyn Rummel, Head Boy, and Kade Brantingham, Junior Class Representative reported on the TOP IT program and how students are taking in pride in their behavior and the winners will have a pizza party. The STUCCO is also looking at various fund raisers to be able to attend a CHSAA Sponsored event this summer in Denver.

V. STAFF REPORTS

Ms. Gipner told the board Sam Jacobs is hosting a Spelling Bee at Norwood School on February 10 at 8:15 a.m. Sam has invited the board members to be judges and if interested to please contact her.

VI. CELEBRATIONS

Mr. Olson is working on an idea to promote school pride and successes. He would like more input from other board members as well. He will continue to work on various ideas of “Norwood Pride”.

Knowledge Bowl Team finished in 2nd place at the Nucla High School Knowledge Bowl Meet.

Ms. Gipner shared how supportive all of Norwood Staff has been for each other this last month and how it is an awesome place to work.

VII. APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS

- a.** Approve December 14, 2015 Board Minutes
- b.** January General Fund Bills
- c.** Approve Minimum Wage Change to \$8.31
- e.** Approve Scott Snyder as Middle School Boys Basketball Coach

Mr. Bray made a motion to approve consent items: **A.** December 14, 2015, Regular Board Minutes. **B.** January General Fund Bills. **C.** Approve Minimum Wage Change to \$8.31. **E.** Approve Scott Snyder as Middle School Basketball Boys Coach. Seconded by Mr. Morlang. Roll call vote: “aye’s” 5, “no’s” 0. Motion Carried.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

D. Approve 2015-2016 Revised Budget

Mr. Crews and Mrs. Epright explained the changes were due mostly to a slight increase of funds on the revenue side. Ms. Bruce made a motion to approve the 2015-2016 Revised Budget. Seconded by Mr. Olson. Roll call vote: “aye’s” 5, “no’s” 0. Motion Carried.

D. Approve Ms. Franklin’s resignation letter

Mr. Olson read the resignation letter from Ms. Franklin to those present. Mr. Bray made a motion to approve the resignation letter. Seconded by Mr. Ordean. Roll call vote: “ayes” 5, “no’s” 0, Motion Carried.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

A. DAAC Report

None

B. UNBOCS Report

None.

C. WSCF

Ms. Donna Cuevara reported enrollment has increased by five students. The Wright Stuff is hiring a full time certified person to help students get ready for kindergarten.

D. PTA

Mrs. Rasmussen stated the PTA is working on a Valentine's Dance for middle school students on February 4.

E. OTHER BOARD REPORTS

None

X. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Crews showed the video "Colorado Did You Know?" to those present. The video was about school funding and the lack of funding.

XI. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

A. Superintendent Report

The Superintendent report was in board packets. Mr. Crews presented information from San Miguel Power Association on the savings we have incurred from the changes made with the installation of the LED lights. Discussion on the changes in the ACT/SAT testing was held.

B. Principal Report

The Principal report was in board packets. Ms. Gipner stated a committee is working on next year's calendar. Mrs. Rasmussen reported the elementary teachers are excited about the Reading Conference they will be attending in February. She also stated everyone is working on building curriculum and is always work in progress. The teachers are working on a Science Fair to be scheduled in the spring.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Pursuant to CRS 24-6-402(4) (h) to address student matter

Ms. Bruce moved for the board, Mr. Crews, Ms. Gipner, and Mrs. Rasmussen to go into executive session at 8:54 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Morlang. Roll call vote: "aye's" 5 "no's" 0, Motion Carried. Out of executive session at 9:26 p.m.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Morlang made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Olson. Roll call vote: "aye's" 5, "no's" 0. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Epright