

Board of Education
Norway-Vulcan Area Schools
300 Section Street
Norway, MI

Regular Meeting
August 9, 2017

The Board of Education of the Norway-Vulcan
Area Schools met in a Regular Meeting
on Wednesday, August, 9th 2017.

Board Members Present: MEMBERS PRESENT
Candy Brew; President, Wendy Mattia; Vice-President
Cory Heigl; Treasurer, Gerald Cieslak; Secretary,
Dennis Lynch, Jenny DeDecker and Bill O'Brion; Trustees

Board Members Absent: MEMBERS ABSENT
none

Administrators Present: ADMINISTRATORS
PRESENT
Louis Steigerwald, Superintendent
Shawna Lindow, Finance Director

Administrators Absent: ADMINISTRATORS
ABSENT
Chuck Pellegrini; Facilities Manager
Steve Andrews; IT Director

Others Present: OTHERS PRESENT
Rico Meneghini, Jeannette Sword, Marybeth Langin,
Meranda Faull, Sandra Kregelka, Clarence Kregelka,
Cassidy Juntunen, Trevor Dapoz, Mary Slagle,
Payton Castelaz, Renee Trudeau, Mary Trudeau,
Ginger Seat, Jen Adams, Dana Carlson, Erika Harnden,
Unknown signature, Kevin Seat, Jeff Gallino,
Al Trudeau, Tasha DeBernardi, Ann Delong, Cindy Miller,
Diana Hunt, Dan Delong, Mary Witter, Carli Kelly,
Mary Paul, Tammi Pokowl, Dan Pokowl, Dave Langin,
Steve Sword, Gail Robert, Arlene Trudeau, Len Trudeau,
Peggy Mendina, Kevin Kangas, Katie Dahlman, Tim Dahlman,
Tanya Popp, Mary Pat Madigan, Maria Lasater, Darcia Schooler,
Keri Amundson, Mary Kangas, Rae Anne Seat, Anna Martell,
Julie Barthels, Linda Michaud, Norma Raboin, Renee Pollard

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M.
by President, Candy Brew.

Approval of Agenda

1. Motion by D. Lynch supported by MEMBERS
W. Mattia to approve agenda APPROVAL

Motion Approved 7-0

Approval of Consent Agenda

2. Motion by J. DeDecker supported by
B. O'Brion to approve consent agenda

Motion Approved 7-0

Correspondence

- a. Coaching resignation from Rico Meneghini
- b. Coaching resignation from Tony Adams
- c. Letter from Zoe Kanters
- d. Resignation of Amanda Paul

School and District Reports

- a. K-8 Update: Rico Meneghini - receiving help from everyone
- b. 9-12th Transportation/Athletics: Joe Tinti - August sports photos, scheduling is being done, fall sports started practicing, equipment upgrades & bus routes
- c. Business Update: Shawna Lindow - funds
- d. Tech Update: Steve Andrews: absent
- e. Presentation by Jacqueline Leiker: coding being taught in schools, encourage that a technology course be a graduation requirement

Public Participation

Dante Mendina - support of teachers
Dan DeLong - support of teachers
Rae Ann Seat - spoke on behalf of NVEA &
other school districts
Ada VanHolla - support of teachers
Erika Harnden - support of teachers
Paeyton Bengston - support of teachers
Brett Houle - support of teachers
Jeannette Sword - read Zoe Kanters' letter
Meranda Faull - support of teachers
Sandra Kregelka - support of teachers

Action/Discussion/Information Items

3. Motion by D. Lynch supported by
J. DeDecker to hire Rico Meneghini
to the position of K-8 principal,
Community Schools Director & Title I Coordinator

NEW HIRE

Motion Approved 7-0

4. Motion by W. Mattia supported by
C. Heigl to hire Dan Martell to the
position of JV Football Head Coach

COACHING RECOMMENDATIONS

Motion Approved 7-0

5. Motion by D. Lynch supported by
J. DeDecker to hire Jon Lasater to the
Position of JV Football Assistant Coach

Motion Approved 7-0

6. Motion by W. Mattia supported by
B. O'Brion to approve Neola Policy
Special Update 5630.01 "Seclusion &
Restraint"; 2nd reading

NEOLA UPDATE

Motion Approved 7-0

7. Motion by D. Lynch supported by
J. DeDecker to approve new meal prices
As follows: K-4 \$2.75 p/day; 5-12 \$3.00 p/day;
Adults \$3.85 p/day; & milk .50 p/carton

MEAL PRICE INCREASES

Motion Approved 7-0

8. Motion by D. Lynch supported by
J. DeDecker to approve Tammy DeBakker
to the position of Elementary Teacher

NEW HIRE

Motion Approved 7-0

9. Motion by D. Lynch supported by
W. Mattia to post Faithorn bus routes

BUS ROUTES

Motion Approved 7-0

10. Motion by D. Lynch supported by
B. O'Brion to post a full-time aid
position

Motion Approved 7-0

11. Motion by J. DeDecker supported by
D. Lynch to install another Octoball court
in the middle school playground

Motion Approved 7-0

Informational

Superintendent's Comments - budgeting,
Thank you Shawna, working on lockers

12. Motion by C. Heigl supported by
W. Mattia to move into closed session at 7:27 p.m.
to discuss student 2017-A discipline

CLOSED SESSION

Motion Approved 7-0

13. Motion by J. DeDecker supported by
B. O'Brion to return to open session at
7:50 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Motion Approved 7-0

14. Motion by W. Mattia supported by
C. Heigl to reinstate student 2017-A
Beginning with the 2017/18 school year

Motion Approved 7-0

15. Motion by W. Mattia supported by
C. Brew to move into closed session
at 7:51 p.m. pursuant to Section 8A
of the Open Meetings Act

Motion Approved 7-0

16. Motion by C. Heigl supported by
D. Lynch to return to open session
at 8:15 p.m.

Motion Approved 7-0

17. Motion by C. Heigl supported by
D. Lynch to return to closed session
at 8:16 p.m. to discuss negotiations

Motion Approved 7-0

18. Motion by C. Heigl supported by
D. Lynch to return to open session
at 9:25 p.m.

Motion Approved 7-0

There being no further business before the
Board, President Candy Brew adjourned
the meeting at 9:26 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Louis Steigerwald, Superintendent

Candy Brew, President

Gerald Cieslak, Secretary