

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of Norwayne Local School District  
Board of Education  
Regular Meeting

Held at 4:00 PM Norwayne High School Library September 25, 2023

The September 2023 Regular Meeting of the Norwayne Local Board of Education was held on Monday, September 25, 2023 at Norwayne High School. Having due notice, the following board members were present: Doug Ingold, Earl Rupp, Angie Smith, Jon Widmer and Winston Wyckoff, III.

## **CALL TO ORDER – President Doug Ingold**

### **Pledge of Allegiance (Official Opening of the Business Meeting)**

#### **Principal Monthly Reports**

Principal Vince Sette, Norwayne Elementary School  
Assistant Principal Nicole McQuate, Norwayne Elementary School  
Principal Dave Dreher, Norwayne Middle School  
Principal Doug Zimmerly, Norwayne High School

**2023-67 Smith moved and Wyckoff, seconded the motion to move into executive session for the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official and matters required to be kept confidential at 4:28 pm.**

**VOTE: Yes: Widmer, Wyckoff, Smith, Ingold, Rupp.**

**2023-68 Rupp moved and Widmer seconded the motion to reconvene the open session at 5:15 pm.**

**VOTE: Yes: Wyckoff, Smith, Ingold, Rupp, Widmer.**

**2023-69 Wyckoff moved and Smith seconded the motion to adopt the September 25, 2023 agenda as modified.**

The format for board meeting agendas is a modified consent agenda whereby approval of motions will be presented at the end of each agenda section. Procedure does allow for any specific item to be voted on separately.

**VOTE: Yes: Smith, Ingold, Rupp, Widmer, Wyckoff.**

**2023-70 Widmer moved and Wyckoff seconded the motion to approve the Treasurer's Business items as presented:**

#### **TREASURER'S BUSINESS – Nicole Peters**

- A. Approve the minutes of the August 28, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

B. Approve the August 31, 2023 Bank Reconciliation and Financial Reports:

Receipts: \$1,617,721.56 Expenses: \$1,682,691.16

C. Accept the following donations:

Barry Romich Foundation	\$25,000	O'Huddle & NES Student Fees
Ronald & Jeanne Artrip	\$400	Outdoor Ed fees for four students
Cynthia Acker	\$3,350 total divided among the following groups:	
NHS FFA	NMS Washington DC Fund	NHS Boys Soccer
NHS National Honor Society	NHS Writing Club	NHS Girls Soccer
NHS Drama Club	NHS Conservation Club	NHS Tennis
NHS Yearbook	NHS E Sports Club	NHS Softball
NHS Student Council	NHS Music	NHS Boys Track
NHS Teen Institute	NHS Cheerleading	NHS Girls Track
NHS Newspaper	NMS Cheerleading	NHS Volleyball
NHS Prom Fund	NHS Baseball	NHS Wrestling
NHS STEAM Club	NHS Boys Basketball	NHS Cross Country
NMS Power of the Pen	NHS Girls Basketball	NMS Teen Institute
NHS Football	NMS Student Council	NHS Golf

Donations to the Yarnell Scholarship Fund in Memory of Nina Yarnell:

Pat & Earl Rupp	\$50	Patti Derringer	\$25
Connie Carmony Mason	\$50	Arthur & Lynn Hershberger	\$100
Stanley & Karen Carmony	\$50	Lila Hersh	\$18
Brad & Gail Yoshioka	\$50	Nancy Finlayson	\$300
Bruce & Neva Stambaugh	\$100	Richard & Pam Yarnell	\$100
Maxine Carmony Shelley	\$10	Antoinette & Larry Sabo	\$25
Ivadell Schar	\$20		

D. Approve the transfer of FY22 unclaimed checks 89393 & 89812 for \$272 from 022 fund back to 001 General Fund.

E. Approve Snowplowing Quotes from Nieman Excavating for the 2023-24 Season.

F. Approve Game Worker – 9/7/23 Volleyball  
Paul Klotzle Ticket Taker \$30

**VOTE: Yes: Ingold, Rupp, Widmer, Wyckoff, Smith.**

**PRESIDENT'S BUSINESS – Doug Ingold**

A. Announcements/Correspondence/Introductions/Recognition

1. We would like to recognize Norwayne District students, staff and parents who were involved in presenting animals or other projects at the fair. Thank you for your hard work and congratulations to all winners!
2. Congratulations to Jeff Arnold for being awarded the Norwayne Local Distinguished Service Award.
3. Congratulations to Micaela Carrino for receiving the high honor of being accepted into the Akron Youth Symphony Orchestra. The auditions for this

orchestra are by invitation only. It is an esteemed honor to be included in this elite group of musicians.

## **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS**

- A. Buildings & Grounds Committee – Chairperson, Earl Rupp
1. Maintenance and repair projects are continually under review and recommendations (except for emergency repair situations) will be brought to the Board after bids and price quotes are received.
  2. Permanent Improvement (P.I.) items for the Board’s Approval (None at this time)
- B. Communications & One Needs Assessment (ONA) – Chairperson, Angie Smith
1. Staff participated in a variety of Professional Development programs on September 12 & 13th during Fair Week.
  2. The first 9 week grading period ends on Friday, October 27.
- C. Transportation & Safety Committee – Chairperson, Winston Wyckoff, III
1. The Transportation Department’s school year is off to a good start. District bus drivers performed an excellent job getting students delivered safely to and from home and school during this first month of school.
  2. National School Bus Safety Week is October 16 - 20, 2023  
**"BEEP!BEEP! School bus safety starts with me"** is the theme of the 2023 National School Bus Safety Week.
  3. Bus evacuation drills will be held September 27th & 28th
- D. Policy Committee – Chairperson, Doug Ingold
- (Copies of all policy proposals are available for public review and/or input per Board Policy BFC.)*
- Policies on First Reading/Review: None at this time
- E. Audit/Finance/Technology Committee – Chairperson, Jon Widmer
1. NWEA Map testing at the Elementary and Middle School as well as the KRA in Kindergarten have been given. We continue to have 15 online classroom support tools that were implemented last school year to aid in classroom support for students.
  2. eSports (electronic sports) will begin practicing after Thanksgiving Break. There are now 10 students interested in participating.

F. Superintendent’s Report – Kevin Leatherman

1. September 1st enrollment by building:

Elementary School	567
Middle School	312
High School	395
Career Center	<u>46</u>
Total	1320

**SUPERINTENDENT’S AGENDA – NEW BUSINESS – Superintendent Kevin Leatherman**

**2023-71 Wyckoff moved and Rupp seconded the motion to approve the superintendent’s agenda:**

A. Personnel Matters –

**Support Staff**

Kelly May - Norwayne Elementary Paraprofessional Aide. Accept letter of resignation effective 11/1/2023.

Michelle Buckingham - add to Support Staff Substitute List - Clerical

Tammy Polen - add to Support Staff Substitute List - Clerical

**Supplemental Staff** - pending proper certification and licensure

Ann Gerber - NHS Just Write Ohio

Lance Larrison - NHS JV Just Write Ohio

B. Professional and/or support staff professional leave requests (according to Board Policy GCBD):

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Reg. Fee</u>
Erica Dutter	ESC Fine Arts	10/13/23	\$20
Bethany Lehman	ESC Fine Arts	10/13/23	\$20
Molly Pamer	ESC Fine Arts	10/13/23	\$20
Denise Followay	CPI Refresher	10/16/23	\$29
Bri Indorf	CPI Refresher	10/16/23	\$29
Emily Ogg	CPI Refresher	10/16/23	\$29
Brittany Yoder	CPI Refresher	10/16/23	\$29
Amy Frary	All OH Counselor Conference	10/17 & 10/18/23	\$300
Jenna Rupp	CPI Refresher	11/3/23	\$29
Maddelyn McDermott	CPI Refresher	1/11/24	\$29

C. Adopt the following Resolution to accept the Altria settlement package offer.

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
NORWAYNE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF WAYNE, OHIO

Following is an excerpt from the minutes of a meeting of the Board of Education duly held on September 25, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. in the Norwayne High School Library, 350 S. Main Street, Creston, Ohio with the following members present:

Doug Ingold	Earl Rupp	Winston Wyckoff, III
Angie Smith	Jon Widmer	

Member W. Wyckoff, III moved, seconded by member E. Rupp that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Board is a plaintiff in a pending multi-district litigation entitled In re JUUL Labs, Inc. (the “JUUL litigation”); and

WHEREAS, the Board’s legal counsel in the JUUL Litigation has apprised the Board of a proposed settlement of the pending litigation, including the general terms and conditions of the proposed settlement; and

WHEREAS, the Board’s legal counsel recommends the Board approve the proposed settlement, subject to final legal review and approval; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds it is in the District’s interest to proceed with the proposed settlement of the JUUL Litigation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Norwayne Local Schools as follows:

1. The Board hereby authorizes its legal counsel, in the JUUL Litigation, Frantz Law Group, to consent on behalf of the Board to the proposed settlement of said litigation with Altria Group, Inc., Phillip Morris USA, Inc. and related companies specified in the settlement and release agreement, subject to legal counsel’s final review and approval of the terms and conditions of the settlement agreement as being consistent with the terms and conditions legal counsel previously discussed with the Board.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
3. The Board finds that this resolution was approved at a regular meeting open to the public in accordance with the provisions of Section 122.21 of the Ohio Revised Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NORWAYNE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF OHIO, as follows:

After discussion, a roll call vote was taken and the results were:

Mr. Ingold Yes                      Mr. Rupp Yes                      Mrs. Smith Yes  
 Mr. Widmer Yes                      Mr. Wyckoff Yes

The Resolution was adopted.

Board of Education  
Norwayne Local School District  
Wayne County, Ohio

By: Nicole A. Peters, Treasurer

**VOTE: Yes: Rupp, Widmer, Wyckoff, Smith, Ingold.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

*The October Regular Meeting of the Norwayne Local Board of Education is scheduled to meet in the Norwayne High School Library on Monday evening October 23, 2023 Business Meeting 4:00 p.m.; Hearing of the Public 5:00 p.m.*

**2023-72 Widmer moved and Rupp seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:29 PM.**

**VOTE: Yes: Widmer, Wyckoff, Smith, Ingold, Rupp.**

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**Board President**

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**Treasurer**