



TOWN OF NORTON

NMS Site Council

(Committee)

MINUTES

Date: *January 11, 2011* Time: *6PM*

Location: *NMS Admin Conf. Room*

Members & Staff Present: _____

Members Not Present: _____

The meeting was called to order at: _____

Minutes from the _____ Meeting were reviewed and Approved with _____ adjustments.

Meeting Motions / Actions and Summary of Discussions:

See attached

List of Documents and Other Exhibits used at Meeting:

- *Agenda*
- *Core Values, Mission Statement, Vision Statement*
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Meeting was adjourned at *6:55* until the next meeting on *Tuesday*, *February 8* at *6PM* at the *NMS Admin. Conference Room*

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes Approved by Committee on: *4-12-11*
(Date)

Signatures:

Eileen Lyhna
(Name & Title)
Teacher

Chairman, *Michael G. [Signature]*
(committee) *[Signature]*



COMMITTEE: Norton Middle School Site Council

Time Meeting called to Order: 6:00 PM

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, January 11, 2011- 6 PM

Time Meeting Adjourned: 6:55 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gretchen Stakers, Eileen Seikora, Virginia Murray, Sharon Gauvin, Gwyn Vegals, Mary Valentine,

Marie Thompson, Julie Lach, Mary Steele, Donna Smith, Michael O'Rourke,

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Patricia Maia, Michael Vitelli

<u>AGENDA ITEM</u>	<u>DISCUSSION SUMMARY</u>	<u>DECISION/ACTION TAKEN</u>	<u>RECORD OF VOTE</u>
Learning Walk	invite State Dept. of Ed, Superintendent and other administrators to look around certain classrooms/ check on how ??/ learn and grasp classes, evaluate by observation. Mr. O'Rourke will put notes together on what they all learned from the learning walk.		/
Math Lab	New teacher in lab, Mr. David Murphy, works during ICE period with ?? using MCAS data (if some students are doing poorly / need support) or on a strand with MCAS data. Math meet results.		/
Geography Bee	7 Purple winner- Storey St. Pierre		/
MARC Assemblies/Bullying survey/ Student Leaders	Bullying Assemblies January 25 th .		/
Mathapalooza	Mr. Beard coordinator. Intent is to motivate students in math to help with MCAS and to have fun in math. Mr. O'Rourke, Mr. Beard will speak with all students on January 20 th to jump-start the program.		/
All-School Read/Author Visit	Fern Chapman, author of " <i>Is it Night or Day</i> " will provide a lot of information about the Holocaust/ family immigration and bullying etc. Focus will be on reading after so much emphasis on math.		/

	Ideas for fundraising to underwrite expenses of author visit. Perhaps another dance. Students will read the book before the author comes. Books will need to be purchased .		
NAEP Testing	Letters sent home to parents of selected students (89) to take the test – National Report Card. Testing will take place on February 9 th .		
Homework Club/ Tutors	Wheaton tutors are working well with students.		
Other	1.Looking into some kind of "leadership group" instructional leaders to discuss/implement ideas for school. Mr. O'Rourke is advocating for this. NELMS- (learning Points 20900 book) look into what they ??? to NMS- therefore researching team/leadership groups- see how to better school/ academics. 2. Halfway point in New Year. Checking on kids who are failing – do a summer school in January.		
Old Business			
Open Session for topics not reasonably anticipated 48 hrs in advance			
New Business			

List of Documents or Exhibits used at the meeting :



Town of Norton

Town Clerk Date/ Time Stamp

NORTON MIDDLE SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL

BOARD / COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 11, 2011

6:00 PM

DATE

TIME

Norton Middle School- Administrative Conference Room

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- Call to Order
- Acceptance of Minutes from November 9, 2010 meeting
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- New Business
- Adjourn



Norton Public Schools

Core Values:

We believe in...

- creating a safe, secure learning environment where respect, honesty, and appreciation of individual differences are fostered
- cultivating and maintaining partnerships with students, parents, staff and the community
- maintaining high standards and expectations for all students as keys to academic success and life-long learning
- guiding students to become independent learners who take responsibility for their own learning
- offering a balanced curriculum aligned with quality instruction
- inspiring and equipping all students to discover, develop, and express their unique potential as leaders, critical thinkers, and collaborators
- instilling a sense of pride in our schools and community.

Mission Statement:

Guided by our Core Values the Norton Public Schools, in an active partnership with parents and the community, provides each student with a quality education fostering personal development and intellectual growth which prepares each student to contribute and succeed as a productive and responsible citizen in the 21st century.

Vision:

The Norton Public Schools, in collaboration with parents and the community, inspires excellence in teaching and learning in order to promote individual talents and maximize each student's potential.