

# New Norway School Council Meeting Minutes

## March 13, 2025 (Virtual meeting only)

In attendance: Kelly Arial (Principal), Steve Searle (Assistant Principal), Carmen W. (Chair), Corry P. (Vice-Chair), Courtney W. (Secretary), Jamie J., Melva B., Danette O., Lisa J.

1. Call to order: 5:32 p.m.
2. Approval/Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:  
Jamie adopted the agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> Melva.
3. Minutes from previous meeting:  
Jamie moved to accept the minutes from November 5, 2024 meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> Melva.  
Melva moved to accept the minutes from January 14, 2025 meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lisa.
4. School Generated Funds Report (SGF)
  - SGF balance of \$3,793.84. This does not include the \$500 ASCE grant as it has it's own account. It does not include West Coast Seeds final numbers and does not include Subway's invoice.
5. Funds Requests
  - K, 1, 2, 3 request \$1,100 to cover the total cost of Reynolds Museum and Manluk swim.
  - 4, 5 request \$500 to cover most of the cost of Reynolds Museum and Manluk swim.
  - 6 request \$500 to cover part of the cost of Ranch camp (total cost \$1,500).
  - 7-9 request \$300 for hamburgers and supplies for Living Springs field trip.
  - 10-12 have not submitted an amount but are looking into mini golf and bbq.
  - Yearbook requests \$500 to help reduce the cost of yearbooks.
  - Mrs. Williams requests \$300-500 in order to re-cover the benches in the library.
6. Old Business
  - Operating procedures still need to be reviewed.
7. Admin Report
  - Two successful ski trips
  - Heart month, spirals came for a presentation.
  - Pie day March 14, sold 76 pies. \$300 for Heart and Stroke foundation.
  - March 17 there will be a bake sale put on by student council.
  - March 19 the 10-12's attend adulting 101.
  - March 18 Parent teacher interviews.
  - March 24-28 is Spring break and international travel.
  - April 1 the 7-9's will attend Celebration of Bands in Hay Lakes.
  - April 4, no school.
  - The 2025/26 school calendar has been approved.
  - Only staffing update so far is that Mrs. Metcalfe is retiring at the end of this year.
8. Fundraising
  - West Coast Seed had 36 orders. Sold \$2,673.08, profit of \$1,074.65.

- Do not have to apply for next year as a fundraiser, you are automatically approved if you have at least 10 orders.
- Hot lunches – options include Subway, Papa John's, East Side Mario's, Edo Japan and Boston Pizza. Prices would be higher for Edo but we could give it a try.

#### 9. New Business

- Discussion of an outdoor classroom. This would need it's own committee and own fundraising. What regulations is there? Does it have to be purchased through a registered company? Picnic table regulations?
- Spring Project discussion – ideas include building flower pots, bird houses. Beautify front of school.
- Family event – may be more of a winter idea.
- Monthly budget – could there be a monthly or annual budget for staff goodies?
- Youth speaker – Chris Gray, wrestler, youth motivational speaker. Available March 15-20. Cost of \$700-\$1,500. How often is he in the area?
- Amanda Stuhl – would be available May 7. Cost would be \$1,700 + gst.
- Could we collaborate with Bashaw or another school. Pre-plan for next year. Put on agenda for November.
- Teens & Screens – Camrose Comp is hosting Maria Schriver. Talks about excessive screen time. This is an open even on March 20 @ 7:00 pm and will last 1 hour. Live stream also available.
- ASCE grant of \$500. Ideas include Healthy Living Fair including yoga, workout, smoothie, reading.
- AERR Survey. Grade 4, 7, 10 parents will receive a code to complete this survey. Survey closes on March 21. Promote on facebook page.

#### Summary and Motions on all discussions

Corry moves to spend up to \$500 for re-covering of library benches, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jamie.

Corry moves to allocate \$250 per grade from K-5 for a total of \$1,500 for year end field trips, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Danette.

Corry moves to allocate \$500 for grade 6 to put towards Ranch Camp fees, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Danette.

Corry moves to allocate \$300 for grades 7-9 for supplies for Living Springs field trip, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Melva.

Corry moves that Parent Council be left to make an official motion regarding funds up to \$750 for grades 10-12 once more details and budgets are provided, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Danette.

Melva moves to spend up to \$200 to host a hot dog day with proceeds going towards the year book committee.

Date of next meeting: April 29, 2025 @ 5:30 p.m. in person and online.

6. Adjournment: 7:32 p.m.