- **NPS - Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) – April 2, 2026**

6:16 Meeting Called to Order

Purpose of SEAC reviewed. SEAC serves as an advisory body; made up of parents, educators, and community members, advocating for special education in the city of Norfolk. This committee is required by law and consists of 24 members.

6:17 Closed session regarding membership of SEAC

1) Subcommittee members lead by Nathan Whitlow presented their rankings in relation to new SEAC membership applications.
2) Per subcommittee discussion, any current member who had not attended any meetings was flagged for removal from the roster.
    a. Bylaws state that any member with 3 consecutive meeting absences can be removed.
    b. With these factors in mind, 13 spots were open on the SEAC.
        i. After discussion amongst present members, 13 slots were filled and will be forwarded to the school board for consideration.
        ii. All applicants are traditionally invited to the next SEAC meeting.
            1. Nathan volunteered to reach out to all applicants

6:45 Announcements

No community or members announcements.

6:46 Public Comments

No public comments

**Note: see below for the methods of submitting public comment.

1) Via online submission on the NPS website on the SEAC page.
2) Written comment at the meeting using the Public Comment form

6:46 Learning Support Update

1) Little Feet meet was a great success
    a. April 28th the middle/high school meet took place.

6:49 New Business

1) Annual School Board Recommendation Proposal: Over-arching goal of accessibility
    a. Request the Parent Resource Center be granted an actual location/building.

        i. In order to make the information the PRC has accessible, there should be a brick and mortar place to seek that information.
    b. Ensure that paraprofessional salaries match or exceed the surrounding communities to ensure NPS keeps and attracts the manpower and talent.
    c. Get NPS to adopt a mindset of collaboration.
        i. We all need to remember that SPED students are General Ed students first.
    d. Ensure that all NPS schools are ADA compliant.
    e. Request feedback from the board as acknowledgement of our recommendations

2) Members volunteered to draft one of the above topics and produce a rough draft by May. Nathan Volunteered to edit and compile the final product.

3) The committee wishes to submit this final product in writing but also in the form of public comment to the school board.

7:44 Wrap Up

1) Subsequent meetings with be as follows:
    a. May 7, 2026.

7:45 Meeting Adjourned