- **NPS - Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) – May 7, 2026**

6:04 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.

6:06 Adoption of previous meeting minutes

No changes made. Motion to adopt made by Tiffany, seconded by Karen. All present members approved. Minutes adopted.

6:06 Announcements

No community or members announcements.

6:06 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

6:06 Learning Support Update

No learning support updates

6:06 New Business

The committee will be submitting our annual report with the following recommendations to improve accessibility:

1) SEAC intro will aim to tie in our wish for collaboration with the new superintendent Rose. We would like feedback from the board regarding our recs.
2) ADA Compliance
    a. All schools and education buildings should be ADA compliant'
        i. Examples include visual as well as auditory fire alarms, elevators in multilevel buildings, access to stages/ classrooms, and visual intercoms.
3) Incentives
    a. In order to keep the best and brightest, the committee advises the board to consider an incentive structure for bus drivers and paraprofessionals that work with the Special Education population.

        i. The district should recognize and reward qualifications and growth within these professions.
4) Parent Resource Center
    a. The Committee cannot stress enough the need for a brick and mortar Parent Resource Center
        i. It will offer a place of connection, central location for information, improve parent responsiveness, and increase collaboration with parents and the school system which will increase student retention.
        ii. The space provides a neutral location that can deescalate situations.
        iii. POC for homebound/SECEP/Jail programs
5) The final report will be prepared and consolidated by Dr. Nathan Whitlow
    a. Motion made by Tiffany and seconded by Karen. Motion Approved.
6) A summary of the report will be presented to the school board at the June meeting.

The SEAC board member positions were voted upon for the upcoming year:

1) Taylor Pince will remain secretary
    a. Motion by Nathan, seconded by Tiffany. Motion approved.
2) Tiffany Adams and Nathan Whitlow will take the positions of Co-Chair
    a. Motion by Gretchen, seconded by Karen. Motion approved.
3) Ambreia Stegall will fill the Vice Chair position
    a. Motion by Gretchen, seconded by Chris. Motion approved.

7:30 Wrap Up

1) First meeting of the 2026-2027 school year:
    a. Sep 10, 2026 at 6p in Granby High School Library
    b. Roles and responsibilities of the committee should accompany the meeting announcement.

7:35 Meeting Adjourned