
Sheridan Community Schools

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UNAPPROVED MINUTES

The Board of School Trustees met for a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, November 11, 2019 at 6:30 PM in the Sheridan High School Media Center with board members, Todd Roberts, Alan Lyon, Jim Hopkins, Nancy Boone, Steve Dollahan and Attorney Alex Pinegar present.

Regular Scheduled Board Meeting

1. Quorum Determination

2. Call to Order, Pledge – President Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and led the pledge.

3. Agenda Revisions

4. Special Recognition

Students of the Month

Sheridan Elementary School – Ellen Phillips

Sheridan Middle School – Emily Will

Sheridan High School – Michael Cronin

SADD Club

Due to the inclement weather and that the evening activities were cancelled, the students will be attending the December Board Meeting.

5. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes of the 10/7/2019 Special Called Meeting
- b. Minutes of the 10/7/2019 Regular Board Meeting
- c. Minutes of the 10/28/2019 Executive Session
- d. Minutes of the 10/29/2019 Executive Session
- e. Minutes of the 10/30/2019 Executive Session
- f. Minutes of the 11/2/2019 Executive Session
- g. Approval to pay Accounts Payable Ledger

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented was made by Steve Dollahan and seconded by Alan Lyon. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Personnel

Recommendations:

Krista Bocko – Temporary HS English Teacher (Maggie McKinney’s position) for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

Andrea Cooper – Kindergarten Instruction Assistant (for the 4th section of kdg.) for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

Jennifer Davis – MS/ES Choir Teacher (Fill Libby Doublestein’s maternity leave) for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

Bret Merriman – SCS 2nd shift custodian.

Jeff Barnes – SCS Head Maintenance.

ECA Recommendations:

Cortney Hall – 6th Grade Boys Basketball Coach, for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

Craig Hall – 6th Grade Boys Basketball Coach, for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year.

A motion to approve Personnel as presented was made by Alan Lyon and seconded by Nancy Boone. The motion carried 5-0.

7. Information/Reports

Red of Ed Day

The Indiana State Teachers Association (ISTA) for the Red for Ed Action Day, will be Nov. 19. Educators, parents and community members are invited to attend. This rally will show legislators that people are ready to advocate for our kids, our schools and our future.

Mr. Hewitt shared that the staff was surveyed and over 40 teachers are wanting to attend “Red for Ed Day” downtown. With that many teachers not in attendance a decision needs to be made of how to make up this day legally for teachers and students.

Mr. Roberts offered different scenarios of what surrounded schools are doing to support the teachers as well as keeping the teachers accountable.

After much discussion it was decided to close school November 19 and have an Elearning Day April 24, to be sure all contracted days are met.

A motion to approve closing of SCS on Novembers 19th, 2019 and use an Elearning Day April 24, 2020 was made by Jim Hopkins and seconded by Steve Dollahan. The motion carried 5-0.

8. Old Business - N/A

9. New Business

- a. Accept Gifts, Grants, and Bequests – Per Board Policy 7230 *

A motion to accept the Gifts, Grants, and Bequests as presented was made by Alan Lyon and seconded by Jim Hopkins. The motion carried 5-0.

- b. CCHA 2017 General Counsel Invoice – Mr. Pinegar

A motion to approve the CCHA 2019 General Council Invoice as presented was made by Steve Dollahan and seconded by Alan Lyon. The motion carried 5-0.

- c. JEL Agreement – Mr. Roberts

A motion to accept the JEL Agreement as presented was made by Jim Hopkins and seconded by Steve Dollahan. The motion carried 5-0.

- d. Master Contract – Mr. Roberts*
Certified Salary Increases
Tag Grant

A motion to approve the Master Contract, Certified Salary Increases as presented was made by Nancy Boone and seconded by Steve Dollahan. The motion carried 5-0.

A motion to approve the Tag Grant stipend as presented was made by Steve Dollahan and seconded by Jim Hopkins. The motion carried 5-0.

- e. Administrative Salary Increases – Mr. Roberts*

A motion to accept the Administrative Salary Increases as presented was made by Jim Hopkins and seconded by Steve Dollahan. The motion carried 3-0. Mr. Roberts and Mr. Lyon abstained due to a conflict of interest.

f. Non-Certified Pay Increases – Mr. Roberts*

A motion to approve the Non-Certified Pay Increases as presented was made by Alan Lyon and seconded by Jim Hopkins. The motion carried 5-0.

g. SCS Student Technology Handbook – Lea Jessup

h. SCS 1:1 Responsible Use Agreement – Lea Jessup

Mrs. Jessup presented the Student Technology Handbook and the 1:1 Responsible Use Agreement. A copy of the Handbook and Agreement can be found in the board binder. No motion was needed.

i. Approval of CBA Ratification of SEA 390; I.C. 20-29-6-19(c) – Mr. Roberts

Discussion and approval of the CBA Ratification was made during New Business Item D.

j. Evaluation Process – Mrs. Hume

The board granted permission to finalize the Evaluation Process in the absence of a superintendent. All evaluations have been completed.

10. Public Participation

Mr. Hewitt publicly thanked Mrs. Kim DeVaney for leading the Bargaining committee. She made the discussion and outcome very pleasant. Everyone was very pleased.

11. Board Statement of Appreciation and Recognition

Nancy Boone - She wanted to recognize Lindsey Martin on how good and professional the Cheer Squad looked during football season. Mrs. Boone was very proud of them!!!

Todd Roberts – He wanted to thank the interview committee especially the staff. Their help was critical and appreciated. Mr. Roberts is excited to take the next step forward in the future of Sheridan Community Schools.

12. Next Executive Session, November 11, 2019 @ 7:00 PM in SHS Conference Room C-1

Public Hearing, November 18, 2019 @ 6:00 in the SHS Conference Room C-1

Regular Board Meeting, December 3, 2019 @ 6:30 PM in the SHS Media Center

13. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Alan Lyon and seconded by Jim Hopkins. The motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

The board meeting sign-in sheet carried the names of Rick Davis, Cheri Hume, Lea Jessup, Kim DeVaney, Mathew Hewitt and Kim Childers.

Alan Lyon, Secretary