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# Sheridan Community Schools

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## MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Sheridan Community Schools  
Board of School Trustees  
March 14, 2022

The Sheridan Community Schools Board of School Trustees met for a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022 at 6:30 PM in the Sheridan High School Media Center with board members Todd Roberts, John Hunt, Nancy Boone, and Dan Fleming present, along with Superintendent Mary Roberson. Also attending were Board Attorney, Alex Pinegar and Dr. Dave Mundy. Also attending were Jeff Weir, Steve Dollahan, Dean Welbaum, Rick Davis, Melissa Hampton, Ryan Kelleher, Kent Davis, Kim DeVaney, Conner Stumm, Tyler Ottinger, and Students of the Month and their families.

**Quorum Determination** – President Roberts confirmed that a quorum was established.

**Call to Order/Pledge** – President Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Students of the Month** – The following students were introduced by their school principals and presented a certificate and monetary prize from First Farmers Bank by President Roberts: Sheridan Elementary - Kemmy Smith, Sheridan Middle School – Norah Stites, Sheridan High School – Kaden Harrold.

**Sheridan Showcase** – Ryan Kelleher gave an introduction of the forensic science class he is teaching that currently has 23 students in enrolled, explaining that the course focuses on how we talk about the topics of forensic science and all of the applications of science. He then turned it over to students Lexi Woodcock and Eli Garner who shared course content and their perspectives of the course.

**Consent Agenda** - A motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented was made by Dan Fleming and seconded by John Hunt. The motion carried 4-0.

- Minutes of the February 21, 2022 Special Meeting and Project Hearing & Second Preliminary Determination
- Approval to pay Accounts Payable Ledger for March

**Personnel** - A motion to approve the following personnel items presented by Superintendent Roberson was made by Nancy Boone, seconded by John Hunt and carried 4-0.

- Approved Craig Clayton as a bus driver
- Approved Stephanie Smith as a half-time teacher beginning in 2022-2023 school year
- Approved retirement of Shirley Wiete at the end of the 2021-2022 school year
- Approved retirement of Cara Slosarek at the end of the 2021-2022 school year
- Approved retirement of Derry Zachery at the end of the 2021-2022 school year
- Approved resignations of Laty Holler and Lindsey Martin as cheer coach
- Approved Nikki Zachery as an ILEARN proctor for \$250/day
- Approved Jake Jessup as IT Manager and shared restructuring of technology department

Roberson explained the structured and objective hiring process for Mr. Jessup since he is related to a current school employee and shared restructuring to insure objective supervision. In addition, Rick Davis introduced Conner Stumm as a teacher and track coach. Conner commented that it is, "Good to be home."

**Obsolete Equipment** - John Hunt made the motion to declare the presented equipment as obsolete. Nancy Boone seconded the motion that carried 4-0.

**Sheridan Public Library Board Appointment** – Nancy Boone moved to appoint Laura Glunts to the Sheridan Library Board. John Hunt seconded the motion that carried 3-1. Dan Fleming suggested that in the future the board take applications for these positions and requested it be noted that his nay vote was about the process, not the candidate.

**JUUL Lawsuit – Discussion and Possible Board Resolution** – Nancy made the motion, expressing that joining the effort is a way to take a stand against the dangers of vaping. John Hunt seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

### **Superintendent Report**

- Band and Choir – Third quarter concerts were held last week and were excellent.
- Wrapped up winter sports – Roberson congratulated teams and coaches for their winter seasons.
- Learning Recovery Funds – She shared that we have been awarded an additional \$70,000 through our Learning Recovery grant that is a collaboration with SYAP.
- Retirements – Roberson extended best wishes to retiring teachers, Shirley Wiete, Derry Zachery, and Cara Slosarek and thanked them for their service to SCS.
- Transition – She shared that the transition with Dr. Mundy is going well.

### **Board Member Comments**

Dan Fleming – Dan wished everyone a good spring break and congratulated retiring teachers.

John Hunt – He congratulated and thank FFA for petting zoo. He also congratulated them on showing at regional competition, including Evan Bourdon advancing to state. He extended congratulations to the 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls basketball team for winning the conference tournament. Finally, he congratulated retiring teachers, commenting that Mrs. Slosarek and Mr. Wiete taught him so it was surreal to be on the board when they retired.

Nancy Boone – Nancy praised our fine arts department, sharing that she attended the choir concert, and it was excellent. Nancy then read a statement, addressing Dr. Mundy about the challenges of public education and the board's charge for him as a leader. She described how we are here to make memories, stressing the importance of students creating bonds with teachers. She went on to say that teaching has become an "at-risk" profession," stating that public schools are a place where children come together to work and learn together. She stated, "If we lose public schools, we could lose shared values." She commented that we need to be defenders of public education and megaphone, asking Dr. Mundy to be our megaphone. She praised him for bringing his own leadership style and we appreciate. She concluded her eloquent remarks by

welcoming Dr. Mundy and stating, "We need clear headed, enlightened leaders, and we have entered into agreement for all the right reasons."

**Future Board Meetings**

Work Session – Monday, March 21, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Special Meeting – Monday, March 28, 2022 at 6:30 PM

Regular April Meeting – Monday, April 18, 2022 at 6:30 PM

**Adjournment** - A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM was made by Dan Fleming and seconded by John Hunt. The motion carried 4-0.

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Nancy Boone, Board Secretary