

# **BOARD MINUTES**

**March 18, 2020**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for Shepherd School District #37 was held Wednesday, March 18, 2020 in the Board Room of the Administration Building. Chairman, Carl Openshaw called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members present: Jeff Branson, Shane Flowers, Julie Hinkle, Carl Openshaw, Carl Parker, Shane Rekdal, and Shayne Vandivort.

Superintendent/Curriculum Director – Drea O’Donnell, Clerk – Janice Ripley, HS Principal – KJ Poepping, MS Principal/AD – Rich Hash, and Elem. Principal Autumn Arlian were present for the entire meeting.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

An Elementary motion was made by Julie Hinkle, seconded by Jeff Branson, to approve the Elementary business claims and accounts, to include February claims 129793 – 129835.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Shayne Vandivort, seconded by Carl Parker, to approve the High School business claims and accounts, to include February claims 129793 – 129835, and the February regular and special meeting minutes.

Both motions passed unanimously.

## **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC**

None

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

### **INFORMATIONAL**

- 1) Building use requests: As posted in the agenda.
- 2) Nurse’s Report
- 3) Water Report
- 4) Resignations:
  - Jade Andikoetxea – Kindergarten Teacher
  - Tiana Pearson – First Grade Teacher
  - Heath Howard – Middle School P.E. Teacher
  - Bailey Riley – Middle School Art Teacher
- 5) Missing Children
- 6) Business Position – Mr. Harrison will teach one more year.
- 7) ESSA Determination

No Action

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Building Update**

Jeff from Collaborative Design and Jason from Langlas Construction advised the Board of the status of Phase 1. They also presented the GMP Summary for Phase 1 for Board approval.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Carl Parker, seconded by Julie Hinkle, to approve the Phase 1 GMP Summary as presented by Langlas Construction.

Motion passed unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Human Resources**

A High School/Joint motion was made by Jeff Branson, seconded by Shane Rekdal to approve the substitute list as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **Out-of-District Students**

None

### **Resolution – Non Voted Levies**

An Elementary motion was made by Julie Hinkle, seconded by Shane Flowers, to approve the non-voted levies resolution as required by SB307.

A High School motion was made by Carl Parker, seconded by Shayne Vandivort, to approve the non-voted levies resolution as required by SB307.

Both motions passed unanimously.

### **Mill Levy Election**

An Elementary motion was made by Shane Rekdal, seconded by Julie Hinkle, to cancel the mill levy portion of the May School Election.

A High School motion was made by Shayne Vandivort, seconded by Jeff Branson to cancel the mill levy portion of the May School Election.

Both motions passed unanimously.

### **Adult Education – Spanish Class**

Chris Hanson would like to teach an Adult Education Spanish class at Shepherd.

It was recommended to approve the addition of a Spanish class to our Adult Education program.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Julie Hinkle, seconded by Shane Flowers, to approve the addition of a Spanish class to our Adult Education program.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **COVID-19 Situation**

A High School/Joint motion was made by Shane Flowers, seconded by Julie Hinkle, to approve that the Superintendent is authorized to work with District Staff in making determinations regarding pupils who are proficient in courses in which the pupils are enrolled without regard to the aggregate hours of instruction provided. The Superintendent is directed to make a final determination of proficiency for each pupil for each enrolled course, using District assessments, including class grades at a minimum, and reporting a full-time equivalent conversion of ANB for such pupils, based on the scheduled time ordinarily provided through the aggregate hours of instruction for such courses.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Jeff Branson, seconded by Shane Rekdal, to approve that the Superintendent is authorized to work with District Staff in providing instruction for pupils of the District. Such instruction may include any method or methods identified as appropriate by the Superintendent, including but not limited to offsite instruction as defined and referenced in sections 20-1-101(5); 20-1-101(14); 20-7-118; and 20-9-311(11), MCA.

Both motions passed unanimously.

It was recommended to cancel all out of state trips for the month of April. This would affect Honor Band and the Coast Trip.

The Board decided to wait a bit before making a decision to cancel these trips. They will meet Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at 3:00pm by electronic meeting to make a decision.

### **Policies 1005, 1006, 1009, 1014, 1014F, 1110, 1120, 1402, 1420, 1420F, 1441, 1512, 1700**

#### **New Policies**

- 1015 – Personal Learning Opportunities
- 1016 – Independent Investment Accounts

#### **Revised Policies**

- 1005 – Proficiency Based Learning
- 1006 – Transfer for School Safety

- 1009 – Educator Recruitment and Retention
- 1014 – Intent to Increase Non-Voted Levy
- 1014F – Notice of Intent to Impose an Increase in Levies Form
- 1110 – Taking Office
- 1120 – Annual Organizational Meeting
- 1402 – School Board Use of Email and Mobile Messaging
- 1420 – School Board Meeting Procedure
- 1420F – Notice Regarding Public Comment
- 1441 – Audience Participation
- 1512 – conflicts of Interest
- 1700 – Uniform Complaint Procedure

A High School/Joint motion was made by Julie Hinkle, seconded by Carl Parker to approve the listed policies for first reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **First and Final Reading – Policy Form 3141F**

- 3141F – District Student out of District Form

The form was remade for ease of use. The content of the form did not change.

A High School motion was made by Shane Rekdal, seconded by Shane Flowers, to approve the listed policy form for first and final reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Facilities Committee – The design team and facilities committee will meet every Monday in the Board Room at 4:00pm. The meeting for Monday, March 23, 2020 has been cancelled. Each week there will be areas of the construction project that will be discussed and designed with the construction and architect groups. The ground breaking ceremony that was scheduled for Monday, March 23, 2020 has also been postponed.
- Policy Committee – The policy committee will continue to meet and bring policies to the Board that need review. A policy committee meeting will be held before the next regularly scheduled Board meeting Wednesday, April 15, 2020.
- Negotiations Committee – The negotiations committee meeting that was scheduled with the SEA for March 17, 2020 was cancelled.

### **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

The Administrators recapped their reports.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**OPEN SESSION TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING**

None.

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None.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Time of adjournment: 8:40pm.