

BOARD MINUTES

January 9, 2019

A regular Board Meeting of the Trustees of Shepherd School District #37 was held Wednesday, January 9, 2019 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, Carl Openshaw, Carl Parker, Shane Rekdal, and Shayne Vandivort.

Member excused: Julie Hinkle.

Superintendent - Scott Carter, Clerk – Janice Ripley, High School Principal - KJ Poepping, Middle School Principal/AD - Rich Hash, Elementary Principal - Autumn Kring, and Curriculum Director – Drea O'Donnell were present for the entire meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

An Elementary motion was made by Shane Flowers, seconded by Shane Rekdal, to approve the Elementary business claims and accounts, to include December claims 128851 - 128911.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Shayne Vandivort, seconded by Jeff Branson, to approve the High School business claims and accounts, to include December claims 128851 – 128911 and the December regular meeting minutes.

Both motions passed unanimously.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None

COMMUNICATIONS

A Thank You was received for the turkeys handed out at Christmas time.

INFORMATIONAL

- 1) Building use requests: As posted in the agenda.
- 2) Water
- 3) Missing Children
- 4) Resignations:
 - Pam Kern – Asst. Cook
 - Heather Ekness – HS Asst. Volleyball Coach

No action.

OLD BUSINESS

2019 – 2020 School Calendar

A High School/Joint motion was made by Carl Parker, seconded by Shane Flowers, to approve the 2019-2020 School Calendar as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Human Resources

New Hires HS/Joint:

- Heather Lear – Kitchen Helper
- Chris Dixon – Head HS Football Coach

A High School/Joint motion was made by Shane Flowers, seconded by Jeff Branson, to approve hiring the Kitchen Helper, HS Head Football Coach and substitutes as listed.

Motion passed unanimously.

Bond Resolutions

Information was presented for the upcoming bond resolutions that will appear on the February 2019 agenda.

No action.

Out-of-District Students

An Elementary motion was made by Shane Rekdal, seconded by Shane Flowers, to approve the one Elementary out-of-district student as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

Bus Bid For 2 New Busses

Mr. Trotter explained the bid process and recommended accepting the I-State bids for the purchase of 2 new busses.

A High School/Joint Motion was made by Shayne Vandivort, seconded by Shane Rekdal, to approve the purchase of 2 busses from I-State as recommended.

Motion passed unanimously.

Policy 3340 First Reading

Policy 3340 is the Extra and Co-Curricular Chemical Use Policy.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Jeff Branson, seconded by Carl Parker, to approve the first reading of Policy 3340.

Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Evaluation – Executive Session

The Board Chair moved this agenda item to the end of the Board meeting.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Jeff from Collaborative Design met with the Facilities Committee January 8, 2019. Since the last Facilities meeting, the architects have implemented requested changes into the plan and therefore, the cost has increased.
- Currently, the school houses approximately 850 students. With the new design the school could house approximately 1,100 students, which would allow for future growth without any additional expansion. Current enrollment would fill it to approximately 70% capacity.
- The timeline for the project, if the bond passes, was discussed. The general consensus at the meeting was, the longer the project is pushed out, the more the costs will increase. This makes staying with the accelerated timeline a better choice. This timeline would see scheduled completion slated for the start of school in the fall of 2020.
- Next Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2019, at 6:00pm in the Board Room. All Board members are invited to attend, as well as it being open to the public. It will be posted as a Board meeting.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

The Administrators reviewed their reports.

The Board went into executive session at 7:10pm for the Superintendent's Evaluation. The Board resumed open session at 7:36pm.

Superintendent Evaluation

A High School/Joint Motion was made to extend the Superintendent's contract for an additional year, which would run through the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN SESSION TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Time of adjournment: 7:40pm.