

BOARD MINUTES

December 13, 2017

A regular Board Meeting of the Trustees of Shepherd School District #37 was held Wednesday, December 13, 2017 in the Board Room of the Administration Building. Vice-Chair Julie Hinkle called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

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

Members excused: Carl Openshaw and Shayne Vandivort.

Superintendent - Scott Carter, Clerk - Janice Ripley, HS Principal - KJ Poepping, Middle School Principal/AD - Rich Hash, Elem 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 Jeff Branson to approve the Elementary business claims and accounts to include November claims 127907 - 127985.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Jeff Branson, seconded by Carl Parker to approve the High School business claims and accounts to include November claims 127907 – 127985 and the November regular meeting minutes.

Both motions passed unanimously.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None

COMMUNICATIONS

None

INFORMATIONAL

- 1) Building use requests: As posted in the agenda
- 2) Missing Children Report
- 3) Nurse's Report
- 4) Water
- 5) Resignations – None
- 6) Certified Staff Evaluation Report

No action.

OLD BUSINESS

Superintendent Evaluation

The Superintendent evaluation form was distributed. Board members were asked to complete it and return it to the Clerk by 12/20/2017. The results will be reviewed in January 2018.

Policies Second Reading 5122, 5122F, 5122P

These policies bring us into compliance with State and Federal regulations regarding the process of fingerprinting for background checks.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Carl Parker, seconded by Jeff Branson to approve policy 5122, procedure 5122P, and form 5122F for second reading.

Motion passed unanimously.

Naming of Mezzanine/Weight Room

Much thought and effort has been put into naming these areas in honor of Mr. John Barta. Students, staff, and administration were all involved in coming up with 4 names to present to Mr. Barta's family. They discussed the options and selected "Barta Athletic Training Facility". The goal is to have the signage completed and unveiled Saturday, February 3. Mr. Barta's family will be present and the media will be contacted.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Carl Parker, seconded by Jeff Branson to approve re-naming the weight room and mezzanine "Barta Athletic Training Facility" with work in progress.

Motion passed unanimously.

Drug Testing Policy

The Board is requesting a policy be made for staff drug testing, excluding those employees covered by a negotiated agreement. Mr. Carter advised the Board that he would like a little more time to present this for approval. He would like to take the time to get it right the first time.

No action.

Policy on Threats

This was approved at the November meeting. However, it was brought back to this meeting just to clarify that it is not a new Board Policy, just an update to the handbooks.

No action.

Facility Use Fee

There was a discussion as to what is a fair fee for various entities that use our facilities. The Board is leaning toward a sliding scale as discussed with a 10% fee capped at a certain amount. A cap of \$100.00 was discussed and it was noted that it should be higher. Also, there was discussion regarding entities that are not connected with the students and those that are being charged accordingly. Mr. Carter will bring something back to a future meeting for Board approval.

No action.

NEW BUSINESS

Human Resources

It was recommended to hire the following listed staff:

Elem/MS:

- Cady Siemion – Elementary Paraprofessional
- Rob Bryson – 8th Grade BBB Coach

HS/Joint:

- Scott Jens – Dr. Ed Instructor 2nd Semester and Summer
- Substitutes as listed

An Elementary motion was made by Jeff Branson, seconded by Shane Flowers to approve the new hires as listed.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Carl Parker, seconded by Shane Rekdal to approve hiring the Driver Ed Instructor and substitutes as listed.

Both motions passed unanimously.

Out of District Students

An Elementary motion was made by Shane Flowers, seconded by Jeff Branson to approve the Elementary out of district students as listed.

Motion passed unanimously.

Elementary Handbook Change for Honor Roll

Grading standards have changed from the past years. Therefore, it was decided that a change in how children achieve the Honor Roll is needed.

An Elementary motion was made by Jeff Branson, seconded by Shane Rekdal to approve the Elementary handbook changes as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy committee would like to meet half hour ahead of upcoming meetings to start looking at policies.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

No Action.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

OPEN SESSION TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING

Superintendent Evaluation

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Time of adjournment: 7:42 pm.