

BOARD MINUTES

February 12, 2014

A regular Board Meeting of the Trustees of Shepherd School District #37 was held Wednesday, February 12, 2014 in the Board Room of the Administration Building. Chairman Kirk Brumfield called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Members present: Kirk Brumfield, Russ Curry, Linda Goggins, Julie Hinkle, Jamie Mertz, and Carl Parker.

Members excused: Carl Openshaw

Superintendent Dan Jamieson, Business Manager/Clerk Janice Ripley, HS Principal KJ Poepping, JH Principal/AD Rich Hash, and Elementary Principal John Farley were present for the entire meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

An Elementary motion was made by Russ Curry, seconded by Jamie Mertz to approve the Elementary business claims and accounts to include January claims 124323 - 124410.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Linda Goggins, seconded by Carl Parker to approve the High School business claims and accounts to include January claims 124323 - 124410, and approval of the January minutes.

Both motions passed unanimously.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

A member of the audience spoke of his concern regarding the proposed expansion and remodel of the Shepherd School Campus.

COMMUNICATIONS

Dori Phillips and Lisa Fricks spoke to the Board regarding the ongoing RTI program in the Elementary. They also advised the Board of a \$2,000.00 grant they have received from OPI that will allow them to bring in an expert with RTI from MSU-B to help them with their program. This person will visit the Shepherd Elementary campus several times throughout the remainder of the school year, lending a new eye and ear to what is already going on and offer advice as to how to improve upon it. A member of the Board stated they feel that the program is great for Shepherd School, has had a good success rate, and that it is a great opportunity to be able to bring in someone from the outside.

INFORMATIONAL

- 1) Building use requests:
As listed in the agenda
- 2) Water
- 3) Missing Children Report
- 4) Nurse's Report
- 5) Spring Student Count
- 6) Spring Bus Inspection

No action.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Human Resources

Resignation:

New Hire:

Chase Soennichsen – Head HS Volleyball Coach
Adam Sanchez – Head HS Football Coach
Substitutes as listed

The subject of coaching clinic opportunities for all coaches was discussed. Mr. Hash will look into options.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Linda Goggins, seconded by Russ Curry to hire the Coaches and substitutes as listed.

Motion passed unanimously.

Audit Report

A High School/Joint motion was made by Julie Hinkle, seconded by Russ Curry to approve the 2012-2013 audit report.

Motion passed unanimously.

Facility Committee Recommendation

It was recommended to approve the facility committee's recommendation to move forward with a Bond for the remodel and new construction for the District as presented by the Master Plan.

There was a brief discussion regarding architects and contractors. A Board member wanted clarification on the process from here. Mr. Jamieson assured the Board that

Shepherd School could go with whichever Architecture firm the Board chooses. Also, to avoid problems that other entities have had with their construction process, he feels a construction manager should be hired to be on site every day during the building process. His job would be to oversee all the contractors, making sure everything is built to specifications. This person would have to be someone that is not part of the construction crew.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Russ Curry, seconded by Kirk Brumfield to approve the recommendation of the facility committee to move forward with the Bond for the remodel and new construction for the District as presented by the Master Plan.

Motion passed unanimously.

Policies

It was recommended to approve policies 1105, 1110, 1111, 1113, 1120, 1635, 2158, and 2171 for first reading.

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

Motion passed unanimously.

Levy Discussion

The possibility of needing a levy for the 2014-2015 school year in the High School was discussed. Preliminary budget figures have been received from OPI for the 2014-2015 budgets. It doesn't appear that a levy would be necessary in the Elementary. These are very preliminary numbers which could change again several times before they are set. At this time, it is projected that the Elementary will receive more money than in the current budget and that the High School will receive approximately \$90,000.00 less. All efforts are being made to figure out how to make this adjustment without having to cut staff. Some changes have been discussed that would help with most of the reduction, but there are increases already agreed to in negotiations that have to be considered as well. A decision regarding a levy does not have to be made at this time.

No action taken.

Principal Re-Hire and Administration Salaries

It was recommended to re-hire the Principals for the 2014-2015 school year and for administration to receive the same salary increase given to the rest of the District employees.

An Elementary motion was made by Russ Curry, seconded by Julie Hinkle to approve the re-hiring of the Principals for the 2014-2015 school year with administration receiving the same increase as all other District employees.

A High School/Joint motion was made by Russ Curry, seconded by Linda Goggins to approve the re-hiring of the H.S. Principal for the 2014-2015 school year with administration receiving the same increase as all other District employees.

Both motions passed unanimously.

Out-of-District Students

This item was tabled.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Russ Curry stated that he will not be in town March 11 for the next scheduled Committee meeting of the Board. Therefore, a new meeting date was scheduled for March 19, 2014 at 6:30pm. Mr. Brumfield will confirm the new date with Mr. Openshaw. If Mr. Openshaw cannot attend the meeting, at the newly scheduled date, Mr. Brumfield will let everyone know so a new date can be selected.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

The Administrators highlighted their reports. Concerns from board members were raised regarding heating issues in the High School Gym.

OPEN SESSION TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING

EXECUTIVE SESSION TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING

ADJOURNMENT

Time of adjournment: 7:40pm