

MINUTES
Regular Meeting of the Sheridan Community Schools
Board of School Trustees
September 14, 2020

The Sheridan Community Schools Board of School Trustees met for a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, September 14, 2020 at 6:34 p.m. in the Sheridan High School Media Center with board members Jim Hopkins, Alan Lyon, Nancy Boone, Steve Dollahan, present, along with Superintendent Mary Roberson and School Attorney Alex Pinegar attending.

Quorum Determination – Vice-President Hopkins confirmed that a quorum was established.

Call to Order/Pledge – Vice-President Hopkins called the meeting to order at 6:34 and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Revisions – There were no changes to the agenda proposed.

Consent Agenda - A motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented was made by Steve Dollahan and seconded by Alan Lyon. The motion carried 4-0.

- a. Minutes of the 8/3/2020 Regular and Executive Sessions
- b. Approval to pay Accounts Payable Ledger

Personnel – A motion to approve the following personnel items presented by Superintendent Roberson as presented was made by Steve Dollahan seconded by Nancy Boone. The motion carried 4-0.

- Approved the following instructional assistants: Scott Seright, Melissa Stultz, Leslie Wilson, Shaela Rafferty, Cori Watts, and Leisa Farrell
- Approved Ty S. Wright as a full-time custodian and also resignation (worked for 3 days only)
- Approved Eric Gifford as Director of Grounds and COVID Coordinator/Special Projects
- Accepted resignation of Andrea Cooper as instructional assistant
- Accepted resignation of Amber Powell as instructional assistant
- Approved Elizabeth Nies as temporary elementary teacher
- Approved grant paid stipends to Kris Lingenfelter and Stacey Moran for Ford Next Generation Learning STEM project of \$1,000 each
- Approved \$200 summer stipend for Troy Gardner paid for from the PRIME Math Grant
- Approved stipends for virtual teachers, as well as summer training for HS/MS special needs teachers
- Accepted resignation of Maureen Brazzell
- Approved Tona Morales for SHS Café
- Approved Nick Toby as JV Volleyball Coach
- Approved Mike Crowder as MS Football Coach

Approve Soliant Contract for Speech Therapy– Steve Dollahan made a motion to approve the Soliant Contract. The motion was seconded by Alan Lyon and carried 4-0.

Approve Middle School Social Studies Textbook Adoption and Revised Textbook Rental: A motion to approve the middle school social studies textbook adoption and revised textbook rental as presented was made by Nancy Boone and seconded by Alan Lyon. The motion carried 4-0.

Adopt CPF Plan - A motion was made by Alan Lyon, seconded by Nancy Boone and carried 4-0, to approve the CPF Plan as presented and as advertised and following the public hearing held in accordance with Indiana law.

Adopt Bus Replacement Plan - A motion was made by Nancy Boone, seconded by Steve Dollahan and carried 4-0, to approve the Bus Replacement Plan as presented and as advertised and following the public hearing held in accordance with Indiana law.

Neutrality Resolution – Steve Dollahan moved to approve the Neutrality Resolution, which was seconded by Alan Lyon and carried 4-0.

Teacher Appreciation Grant Policy Adoption – A motion was made by Steve Dollahan, seconded by Alan Lyon, and carried 4-0 to approve the TAG policy. Please note this policy was adopted with a single reading because of a date that needed to be met.

Professional Staff Evaluation Plan – Nancy Boone moved to approve the Staff Evaluation Plan for the 2020-2021 School year. The motion was seconded by Steve Dollahan and carried 4-0.

Accept Donations – Alan Lyon made the motion to approve the donations as presented. Nancy Boone seconded the motion that carried 4-0.

Negotiation Team Appointment – Vice-President Jim Hopkins appointed Nancy Boone to serve as the board representative on the Bargaining Team.

Resolution of Appreciation – Alan Lyon made the motion to approve the attached Resolution of Appreciation of Dave Sutton. The motion was seconded by Steve Dollahan and carried 4-0.

Information/Reports –

- Roberson reported that reopening plans are going well. She shared the strategy for sharing positive cases and quarantined staff and students via a Dashboard published on the school website.
- In food service news, Roberson shared that the Food Service Department received praise from the Department of Education for serving summer lunches. She also shared that through a waiver from the Federal School Lunch program, all students would be able to receive a reimbursable breakfast and lunch at no cost through December or until the funds run out, whichever comes first.
- Roberson shared with board information about the bargaining process that is beginning this with the Sheridan Education Association.
- Roberson shared the good news that SCS has been awarded a \$109,500 grant to purchase Chromebooks for kindergarten, teacher laptops, and internet service for needed families via hotspots.

Board Member Comments

Mr. Lyon thanked the staff and the Hamilton County Health Department for their assistance in the opening of school, commenting that he was proud of how the staff has handled COVID.

Mrs. Boone echoed Mr. Lyon's comments and added thanks that plans allowed for safe plan for spectators to attend football games.

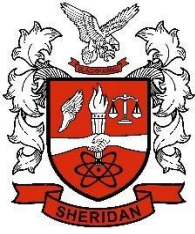
Mr. Hopkins echoed praise for efforts relative to COVID and reopening.

Next Regular Board Meeting: Monday, October 5, 2020 at 6:30 PM in the HS Media Center

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m. was made Steve Dollahan by and seconded by Nancy Boone. The motion carried 4-0.

The board meeting sign-in sheet carried the names of Rick Davis, Walter Ney, Valerie Roberts, Lea Jessup, Robin Popejoy, and Jeff Weir.

Alan Lyon, Secretary



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Todd Roberts, President
Jim Hopkins, Vice-President
Alan Lyon, Secretary
Nancy Boone, Member
Steve Dollahan, Member

Resolution of Recognition and Appreciation

WHEREAS, Sheridan Community Schools is facing an unprecedented time striving for student safety during a pandemic, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dave Sutton and his company, Gammons Metal and Manufacturing in Indianapolis, have been long-time supporters of Sheridan Community Schools, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sutton and his company made an extremely generous donation of high-quality Lexan dividers and personally installed them at Sheridan Elementary School, and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to extend its sincere appreciation of Mr. Dave Sutton and his company

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sheridan Community Board of School Trustees recognizes and appreciates the donation and service of Mr. Dave Sutton and Gammons Metal and Manufacturing and wishes to publicly recognize these efforts through this Resolution of Appreciation and that is duly recorded and spread across the minutes of the Sheridan Community Schools Board of School Trustees on this 14th day of the month of September in the year 2020.

Board President

Superintendent of Schools

Board Secretary