

Sherman County School District



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The Sherman County School District and the certified and classified school staff have recently finished a collaborative labor negotiation process. All groups have expressed appreciation for the mutual respect and the process involved that has produced a 3-year agreement for each group.

“Union negotiations can be contentious, but over the past few cycles the process has evolved into a very cooperative, courteous, and respectful partnership,” said Gerald Casper, Representative for the Sherman County Education Association. He added that he appreciates the efforts of School Board Members Kristie Coelsch and Scott Susi who worked with the Teacher’s Union to complete the negotiations that arrived at the collective agreement. Board Members Jesse Stutzman and Merrie von Borstel collaborated with the Classified Union staff, led by Deanna Christiansen, who came to an early mutual agreement. Directors Stutzman and von Borstel expressed their appreciation for Mrs. Christiansen and the entire Classified Staff at a recent Board Meeting.

School Board Chair Kristie Coelsch said, “Because negotiations touch on topics of deep importance, negotiations can become a very emotional and difficult process. I am pleased that all groups kept in mind that we are here for the kids.”

The School Board and administration sincerely appreciate the dedication and commitment ALL staff members exhibit on a daily basis to ensure Sherman County Students receive the best education possible. The entire staff, School Board, and administration are looking forward to a successful future with the motto, “Working Together to Put Student Success First”. As always, if you have any questions please contact me at (541) 565-3500 or wowens@sherman.k12.or.us. Thank you for your support of the Sherman County School District.

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