

**SHERMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2019**

The Board of Directors of Sherman County School District met in the Sherman County Public/School Library Meeting Room in Moro, Oregon on December 9, 2019. The following were present: Chair, Kristie Coelsch; Vice Chair, Jesse Stutzman; Directors: Paul Bish and Scott Susi; Superintendent, Wes Owens; Principal, Mike Somnis; Business Manager, Kim McKinney; Board Secretary, Jen Berry; Staff: Gerald Casper, Samantha R-Smith; Students: Cali Johnson, Clay Somnis; Visitors: Thyra Lepak.

Absent: Jeremy Lanthorn

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN

Motion by Vice Chair Stutzman with second from Director Bish to approve the agenda for this December 9, 2019 meeting as presented. **Vote:** 4 in Favor (Bish, Coelsch, Stutzman, Susi) 1 Absent (Lanthorn) **Action:** The motion carried.

Motion by Director Bish with second from Director Susi to adopt the consent agenda as presented. **Vote:** 4 in Favor (Bish, Coelsch, Stutzman, Susi) 1 Absent (Lanthorn) **Action:** The motion carried.

Motion by Vice Chair Stutzman with second from Director Bish to approve the second reading of the policies listed on the agenda. **Vote:** 4 in Favor (Bish, Coelsch, Stutzman, Susi) 1 Absent (Lanthorn) **Action:** The motion carried.

Motion by Vice Chair Stutzman with second from Director Susi to delete policy GCPC/GDPC. **Vote:** 4 in Favor (Bish, Coelsch, Stutzman, Susi) 1 Absent (Lanthorn) **Action:** The motion carried.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair, Kristie Coelsch opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag at 5:31 p.m. and thanked everyone for coming.

Approve Board Meeting Agenda

Board Members were given an opportunity to make changes to the Agenda for this December 9, 2019 meeting. No changes were made.

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WORK SESSION

Board Member Mandatory Reporting Webinar

The board watched the Child Abuse Mandatory Reporting for Board Members webinar that was presented by PACE and OSBA and then discussed.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

No comments from visitors were received.

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Recognition of Students, Staff and Community

We are extremely fortunate to have gracious staff and community members who support our school and students. While it is possible that we may periodically miss an opportunity to thank someone, we sincerely appreciate the commitment of all of our supporters. We would like to recognize the following people for their devotion to our schools, students, staff and community.

- Thank you to the Library staff for coordinating the mitten tree project to keep local Sherman County families warm this winter.
- Cindy Brown, Liz Cranston, Kristen Labenske, Jeremy Lanthorn, Andrew Pflaum and Abbey Phelps for volunteering at our SKORE program.
- Molly Lovell and Debbie Bird for coordinating the K-6 PTO food drive.
- Liz Cranston for coordinating the PTO Family Engineering Night along with the help of James and Anna Alley and Tyler Bledsoe. Cindy Brown with the OSU Extension Office provided desserts and Amy Asher through Sherman County Prevention provided dinner and a family pass to the Oregon Zoo as a prize.
- Liz Cranston, Amy Huffman, Magee Kennedy, and Kelsey Phillips for coordinating a PTO family literacy night, “Over the River and through the Woods”, for our Elementary students.
- Deanna Christiansen for coordinating the OMSI Planetarium experience for our Elementary School.
- Connie Powell for her generous donation of winter coats to our students.
- Nels Swenson for organizing the sophomore class tree sale and Roberta Aldrich, Marsha Benson, Jen and Ken Berry, Erick Christiansen, Carol and Doug Howard, Shandie Johnson, DeeAnn Ramos, Niaomi Thibodeau and the many sophomore students for volunteering to work at the sale.
- Rory Wilson for picking up the trees for the tree sale.
- Bert Perisho for keeping the game clocks during basketball games and most recently at the Sherman Invitational Basketball Tournament.
- Jill Harrison for keeping the score book for the boys’ basketball games and Joe Justesen for keeping the score book for the girls’ basketball games during the Sherman Invitational Basketball Tournament.
- Jesse Alsup, Paul Bish, Jamie Mason, Kalie Rolfe, Tonya Susi, Jeff and Kasey Webber, and Noah Williams for coaching Sherman Elementary students in the youth basketball program.
- The Lions Club for providing vision screening to our elementary students.
- Advantage Dental for providing dental screening to our K-12 students.
- Amy Asher, James Burgett, Mark Corey, Amber DeGrange, Brad Lohrey, Kyle Pfeifer and Travis West for volunteering for the Lunch Buddy program.
- ODOT and the County Road Department for their communication during inclement weather.

We truly appreciate the amazing support we receive from so many thoughtful people. Thank you to everyone in our great community and school district for your continued support! When you

have time please visit our Sherman County School District Web Page for the monthly appreciation comments.

Student Body Report

Cali Johnson, the ASB President, presented the student body report. She reviewed the locker and door decorating contests, ugly sweater day and the upcoming winter formal hosted by the Booster Club with the help of ASB and Leadership.

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Business

- ✓ Approved Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting, November 12, 2019 as presented.
- ✓ Approved Bill Listing, Financial Statement as presented.

Personnel

- ✓ Approved hire of Brian Simantel, B Team Boys Basketball Coach
- ✓ Approved hire of Bill Martin, Junior Varsity Boys Basketball Coach

Motion by Director Bish with second from Director Susi to adopt the consent agenda as presented. **Vote:** 4 in Favor (Bish, Coelsch, Stutzman, Susi) 1 Absent (Lanthorn) **Action:** The motion carried.

REPORT AND PRESENTATIONS

Superintendent Report

Superintendent Owens began his report with an update on district enrollment. He reviewed a Student Success Act input opportunity, recent CPR/First Aid/AED training and the location of the AED's/Blood Kits, ORTli trainings for staff, PLC meetings, PBIS team meeting, and an upcoming Safety Committee meeting. He reported on counseling services discussions with the County Court and the Sheriff's Office, results of the North Central Public Health inspection, and Superintendent's meetings.

Superintendent Owens gave the board a copy of an email from Chuck Moore, Mid-Columbia Bus Company's Regional Vice President, outlining actions taken to improve services. He then introduced Thyra Lepak from Mid-Columbia Bus Company who explained her role and how she plans to improve transportation services for the district.

Sherman County School K-12 Administrator Report / Athletic Director Report

Principal Somnis stated that he did not have anything to report and offered to answer any questions from the board. No questions were asked.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Second Reading of Policies

Policies GBEB, GBNA, GBNA-AR, JECB, JECB-AR(1), IGBBC, IGBBC-AR, KL, KL-AR(1), IKF, ECACB, GCDA/GDDA, GCDA/GDDA-AR, IICC were reviewed and discussed for a second reading.

Motion by Vice Chair Stutzman with second from Director Bish to approve the second reading of the policies listed on the agenda. **Vote:** 4 in Favor (Bish, Coelsch, Stutzman, Susi) 1 Absent (Lanthorn) **Action:** The motion carried.

Student Transportation Options

Superintendent Owens discussed recent meetings with Thyra Lepak from Mid-Columbia Bus Company. He noted three possible student transportation options for the future; forming a possible transportation co-op with three interested districts, renew the contract with Mid-Columbia Bus Company, or enter into a one year contract with Mid-Columbia Bus Company to allow additional transition time while a co-op is organized. Superintendent Owens presented a picture tour of the bus barn property that is owned by the district and discussed the facilities amenities and condition.

Student Success Act Survey Preliminary Results

Superintendent Owens presented and discussed the preliminary results of the Student Success Act Community Engagement Survey.

North Playing Field - Fencing

Superintendent Owens reported that they are moving forward with the fencing of the north playing field. He shared that community members are interested in putting up a scoreboard and noted that it is being researched. Chair Coelsch asked if there was a security camera for this area and Superintendent Owens confirmed that there is.

NEW BUSINESS

First Reading of Policies

The board reviewed policies IGBA, IGBAG-AR, IGBAH, IGBAJ, IGBAJ-AR, JHCD/JHCDA-AR, JBA/GBN, GBN/JBA, GBN/JBA-AR, JBA/GBN-AR, JHFF, GCPC/GDPC (Delete) for a first reading. They will be read at the next meeting for a second time with the exception of GCPC/GDPC which was approved for deletion.

Motion by Vice Chair Stutzman with second from Director Susi to delete policy GCPC/GDPC.

Vote: 4 in Favor (Bish, Coelsch, Stutzman, Susi) 1 Absent (Lanthorn) **Action:** The motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

No comments from visitors were received.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS, CLOSING COMMENTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Policy Update**
- **Student Success Act Survey Results**
- **Student Transportation**
- **Audit Report**

NEXT MEETING

The next Regular School Board Meeting will be Monday, January 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Coelsch declared the meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Chair, Kristie Coelsch

Board Secretary, Jen Berry