MINUTES

SHEPHERD PUBLIC SCHOOLS Middle/High School Media Center May 10, 2021 5:45 p.m.

Present:

Rick Judge, Vice-President

Matthew Showalter, Secretary Tracey Galgoci, Treasurer

Gina Gross, Trustee

Katie Eisenberger, Trustee

Katie Travis, Trustee

Absent:

Brent Curtiss, President

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Judge called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Rick Judge, Matthew Showalter, Tracey Galgoci, Gina Gross, Katie Eisenberger,

Katie Travis

Absent: Brent Curtiss

Others in attendance:

Greg McMillan, Interim Superintendent

Julie Freeze, Director of Business & Finance

Carrie Gauthier, Corey Grim, Steve Sura, Ben Brock, Jason Wolf, Laurie Richards,

Dabney Dusenbury, Julie Sickles, Terry Starr

III. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Vice President Judge asked if anyone would like to address the board; no one addressed the board.

IV. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

1. Building and Grounds:

Steve Sura mentioned that Curtis Fox will be doing the annual parking lot maintenance again this year. This consists of the filling of any cracks, fixing existing potholes, and seal coating. He stated that Engineering Applications, Inc., will be completing the indoor air quality project, which will consist of new plug in units and installing of UV-C units inside the air handling systems. He also stated that he will need to purchase 2 buses from Midwest Transit to keep the transportation fleet updated.

CLOSED SESSION:

Showalter moved, seconded by Gross, to move to Closed Session at 6:00 p.m. to hold disciplinary hearings for students #249996, #240057, #240256, #250158.

The vote was taken on the motion.

Ayes: Travis, Gross, Eisenberger, Galgoci, Showalter, Judge

Nays: None. Absent: Curtiss

The motion carried.

Showalter moved by, seconded by Gross, to reconvene Regular Session at 7:47 p.m.

The vote was taken on the motion

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Absent: Curtiss

The motion carried.

2. Phone Upgrade:

Corey Grim mentioned he has a meeting with Winn Telecom to go over a few things on their bid. He hopes to bring his recommendation for the phone upgrade to the board on Tuesday night at the regular board meeting.

3. Bills for the month:

Julie Freeze asked the board if they had any questions on the bills she sent to them; no questions.

4. Financial Statements:

Julie stated she was hoping to get the phone upgrade and bus purchases on this year's budget.

5. Budget Committee/Federal Revenue:

Julie stated that all information will be entered in the MICIP system, and will show the results of what areas need to be addressed. These results determine the Title Program money distribution. She mentioned that Jason Wolf would like to hire two teachers for 1st and 2nd grade in order to create smaller class sizes and help those students in those grades who had to learn mostly virtually throughout the pandemic. These students are going to need the extra help in the fall.

6. Health Insurance Year to Date Costs:

Julie shared the status of our self-insured health and dental insurance. She met with Brown and Brown Insurance for the renewal today. The illustrated rate for health insurance is increasing and the illustrated rate for dental is slightly decreasing.

7. Revised Board Polices:

Greg touched on the changes that are being updated in the revised board policies.

8. Board Business Cards:

Matt Showalter mentioned that the board used to have business cards to pass out to community members. They will talk about this in more detail at a later date.

9. Graduation Credit Requirements:

Mike Evans stated to the board that he would like to reduce the number of required credits to graduate from 25 to 22 for Odyssey Middle/High School.

STUDENT DISCIPLINARY HEARINGS

a. Showalter moved, seconded by Gross, to suspend student #249996 for the remainder of the 2020/2021 effective April 29, 2021. This student will need to complete the Ten16 recovery network program, must participate in the Youth Intervention Services Program and appear before the board in June for reinstatement to Shepherd Public Schools.

The vote was taken on the motion

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Absent: Curtiss

The motion carried.

b. Showalter moved, seconded by Eisenberger, to suspend student #240057 for the remainder of the 2020/2021 effective April 29, 2021. This student will need to complete the Ten16 recovery network program, must participate in the Youth Intervention Services Program and appear before the board in August for reinstatement to Shepherd Public Schools.

The vote was taken on the motion

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Absent: Curtiss

The motion carried.

c. Showalter moved, seconded by Gross, to suspend student #240256 for the remainder of the 2020/2021 effective April 29, 2021. This student will need to complete the Ten16 recovery network program, must participate in the Youth Intervention Services Program and appear before the board in August for reinstatement to Shepherd Public Schools.

The vote was taken on the motion

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Absent: Curtiss

The motion carried.

d. Showalter moved, seconded by Gross, to expel student #250158 effective May 4, 2021.

The vote was taken on the motion

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Absent: Curtiss

The motion carried.

2nd CLOSED SESSION:

Showalter moved, seconded by Gross, to move to Closed Session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss negotiations.

The vote was taken on the motion.

Ayes: Travis, Gross, Eisenberger, Galgoci, Showalter, Judge

Nays: None. Absent: Curtiss

The motion carried.

Showalter moved by, seconded by Gross, to reconvene Regular Session at 9:37 p.m.

The vote was taken on the motion

Ayes: 6 Nays: 0

Absent: Curtiss

The motion carried.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Matthew Showalter

Board of Education, Secretary

Holly Moeggenberg

Administrative Assistant