

OXFORD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 358
OXFORD, KANSAS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY AUGUST 9, 2021
7:00 P.M.
JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

MEMBERS PRESENT	Alfred Neises, Dorinda Neises, Phillip Rush, Nicholas Ruyle, Justin Shepherd and Derek Totten.
OTHERS PRESENT	Dr. Cathi Wilson, Superintendent; Kristina Houser, Board Clerk; Terri Wiseman, Principal; Chris Hanney, Hanney and Associates.
CALL TO ORDER	Derek Totten, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
ADOPT THE AGENDA	Phillip Rush made a motion to adopt the agenda and Justin Shepherd seconded this motion. Motion approved 6-0.
RECOGNIZE GUESTS	Derek Totten welcomed Chris Hanney who was in attendance to give an update on the bond construction.
DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS	<p>Mr. Hanney informed the board on Monday August 16th they will be meeting to go over the final punch list for the band room remodel. He also presented options for the arches that were saved from the 5/6 demolition. The arches presented would be by the auditorium. The board like the design so Mr. Hanney will put it out to bid. He also presented a bid for concrete work to be done at the bottom of the new back parking lot. The board decided to get rid of the island area by the street and to move forward as long as it was as much or less than the concrete bid of \$7,052.</p> <p>Dr. Wilson went over current enrollment numbers with the board. So far, the total number of students enrolled is 406 students.</p> <p>Dr. Wilson presented the 2021-22 Budget and Neutral Rate for Publication. Nicholas Ruyle made a motion to approve the 2021-22 Budget and Neutral Rate for publication as amended. Alfred Neises seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0.</p> <p>Justin Shepherd made a motion to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate for publication as presented. Alfred Neises seconded the motion. Motion approved 6-0.</p> <p>Nicholas Ruyle made a motion to hold a Special Board Meeting on September 16th at 6:45 pm to approve the final 2021-22 Revenue</p>

Neutral Rate, and a Special Board Meeting on September 16, 2021 at 6:50 pm for the 2021-22 Budget Hearing. Alfred Neises **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.**

Dr. Wilson presented the board with the current school reopening plans. She reviewed CDC and KDHE information that was provided to her. She also notified the board that all students and staff are federally required to wear masks on school buses or in school vehicles. The School District was approved for a grant that will provide strep, COVID, and flu testing as well as a health aide for 5 hours. A day for the next 3 years. Nicholas Ruyle made a **motion** to approve the Stay to Learn & Play Guidelines adding the verbiage “subject to change per local health department”, and the School Year Operational Guidelines & Requirements as presented. Justin Shepherd **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 5-1. (Dorinda Neises opposed)**

Nicholas Ruyle made a **motion** to hire a CNA for the health aide grant position. Justin Shepherd **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 5-1. (Dorinda Neises opposed)**

Nicholas Ruyle made a **motion** to take a 5-minute break. Justin Shepherd **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.**

The board returned to open session at 9:00 pm.

Dr. Wilson and Alfred Neises reviewed Orion expenses from the last 3 years and current membership rates and contracted days per year. Mr. Neises will bring back more information next month after his next Orion Board Meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Ms. Wiseman informed the board that new teachers were in today and they are excited to get started. Swimming for P.E. starts on Thursday August 19th. The elementary staff will be giving lots of assessments and screenings at the beginning of school to see where students needs are.

Dr. Cathi Wilson informed the board that the next board election is coming up and that someone in the community is interested in applying for the open position that was previously held by Byron White. New teachers met with Orion for coaching and all staff will meet with Rebecca for Trauma Response Training on Tuesday and MTSS training and Wit/Wisdom reading curriculum training. The first day for 7th, 9th, and new students is August 17th and August 18th for all students. The September 10th day has been moved to

being a home game for the 150th year celebration. The next day will be Watermelon Feed and lots of students and sponsors will be helping and participating.

Interlocal 619: Dorinda Neises reported that they met in the newly remodeled building for their meeting. The office staff received a 4% salary increase and they looked over the budget.

Orion: Alfred Neises reported that they approved a salary package increase of 3%, approved a health insurance plan, student handbooks, hired teachers and teaching assistants and updated some policies. They also held a 1-hour executive session and adjourned at 9:20 pm.

ACTION ITEMS

Phillip Rush made a **motion** to approve the additional warrants as presented. Nicholas Ruyle **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.**

Nicholas Ruyle made a **motion** to approve Kellcie Norris as a signatory on the following accounts; RCB Checking Account, Emerald Bank High School Activity Account, Emerald Bank High School Petty Cash Account, Emerald Bank District Office Petty Cash, Emerald Bank General Fund Account, and Emerald Bank District Office Money Market Account. Phillip Rush **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.**

Alfred Neises made a **motion** to approve the following routine personnel: Danielle Wilson, Middle School Science Teacher; Amelia Collingsworth, Daycare Staff; Alyssa Dennis, Substitute Daycare Staff; Susan Danler, Lunch Cashier; and Kelly LaPlant, Bus Driver. Justin Shepherd **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.**

Justin Shepherd made a **motion** to approve Kim Talbert's resignation as the accompanist and drama and forensics sponsor. Alfred Neises **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.**

Nicholas Ruyle made a **motion** to transfer Karissa Whitson from a sub to full time custodian and Cory Klaker from split drama to full time drama sponsor. Alfred Neises **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.**

Justin Shepherd made a **motion** to approve two teacher scholarships for Elaina Garrett in the amount of \$300 each and two teacher scholarships for Katlyn Avritt in the amount of \$300 each. Phillip Rush **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.**

CONSENT AGENDA

Phillip Rush made a **motion** to approve the consent agenda as presented that included August payroll and warrants; and minutes from the regular meeting July 12, 2021. Justin Shepherd **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURN

Derek Totten adjourned the meeting at 9:53 pm

Next meetings: Monday, September 13, 2021; Special Meeting, Neutral Rate Hearing at 6:45 pm; Special Meeting Budget Hearing at 6:50 pm; Regular Meeting at 7:00 pm.

President

Clerk