# OXFORD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 358 OXFORD, KANSAS REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY AUGUST 14, 2023 7:00 P.M. JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL ROOM 214

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Deb Daniels, Dorinda Neises, Phillip Rush, Nicholas Ruyle,

Cindi Terry, and Derek Totten. Justin Shepherd was absent.

**OTHERS PRESENT** Dr. Cathi Wilson, Superintendent; Kristina Houser, Board Clerk;

Terri Wiseman, Principal, and Ashley Bugbee, Assistant Principal.

**CALL TO ORDER** Derek Totten, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ADOPT THE AGENDA** Dr. Wilson requested to add 3.6.4, Mason Dye part-time custodian;

3.6.5, Aleta Caywood, substitute teacher, and 3.6.6, Vick Richardson transfer to at-risk instructional aide. Phillip Rush made

a **motion** to adopt the amended agenda as presented and Nicholas

Ruyle **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.** 

**RECOGNIZE GUESTS** Lindsay Mayfield and Amy Gaither were in attendance to observe.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

The board continued discussion regarding the proposed partnership with the City of Oxford to consider adding an SRO. Each board member expressed their views and opinions on the possibility of adding an SRO to the school district. After much discussion Phillip Rush made a **motion** to partner with the City of Oxford and hire an SRO. Nicholas Ruyle **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 4-2. (Deb Daniels and Dorinda Neises opposed)** 

Deb Daniels made a **motion** to approve the MOU to enter a partnership with the City of Oxford to hire an SRO. Cindi Terry **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 5-1. (Dorinda Neises opposed)** 

Dr. Wilson reviewed a draft District Needs Assessment that includes student needs, facility needs, testing scores, and graduation rates. Nicholas Ruyle made a **motion** to approve the 2023-24 District Needs Assessment as presented for 2023-24 budget considerations. Phillip Rush **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.** 

Dr. Wilson presented proposed budget and proposed transfers to lower mills. Nicholas Ruyle made a **motion** to approve the 2023-24 budget for publication with a \$70,000 transfer from contingency. Cindi Terry **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.** 

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Ms. Wiseman reported the current elementary enrollment numbers. She also informed the board the students will be swimming again at the beginning of the school year for 7 days. Students will start iReady and other testing to see where they are academically. The elementary staff are doing a book study for the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of school. Their big focus this year is study stamina and absenteeism.

Mrs. Bugbee reported they have 64 virtual students enrolled and are not accepting any more students at this time. She is the CTE coordinator this year so she will be taking care of the pathways reporting.

Dr. Cathi Wilson informed the board in the next few months they will start working on an open enrollment policy for the district. The Purple Wave sale is closed and the district made \$10,000. The new teachers were in the building today with their mentors. Tomorrow all staff will be back for convocation. Fall sports practice started today. This week there will be another session of substitute teacher training and CPR continuing ed. Thursday the auditors will be in the building for the 2022-23 fiscal audit. All of the repairs except the gas line to the HVAC unit have been completed from the storm damage as well as the football scoreboard. Friday from 5-8 will be the back-to-school picnic. She also demonstrated how to use the new door locking system that has been installed in each room in the district.

**Interlocal 619:** Cindi Terry reported that they had a special negotiations meeting and their regular meetings. They accepted 3 resignations and hired a new Psychologist. They approved to offer health insurance to paras and they can work 33.75 hours per week. They approved the contract between Wellington and SCA. They approved handbooks, hired and OT and SLP, and approved KSDE policy updates. They have tabled the Heartsprings contract due to a billing error.

**Orion:** Derek Totten reported they approved the minutes, resignations, paid the bills, and approved out of state conferences.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

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

Deb Daniels exited the meeting at 8:31 pm.

Nicholas Ruyle made a **motion** to approve the KASB policy updates AG, GAOA with option 1, GARID, and GBQA. Derek Totten **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 5-0.** 

Phillip Rush made a **motion** to remove the verbiage regarding remote learning days from the board policy EE as presented. Nicholas Ruyle **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 5-0.** 

Deb Daniels rejoined the meeting at 8:33 pm.

Nicholas Ruyle made a motion to approve the following supplemental contracts: Billy Hatfield, 7-12 Vocal and 7-12 Pep/Performance Band; Sondra Short, Elementary Music; Molly McCoy, 5 half extra duty days. Cindi Terry seconded the motion. Motion approved 5-1. (Dorinda Neises opposed)

Phillip Rush made a **motion** to approve two tuition reimbursement requests for Teresa Commerford in the amount of \$300 each and two tuition reimbursement requests for Ashley Bugbee in the amount of \$300 each. Cindi Terry **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.** 

Nicholas Ruyle made a motion to approve the following personnel: new hires Toni Baalmann, Assistant Senior Class Sponsor; Tracy Smith, Part Time Ground/Maintenance; Mason Dye, Part Time Custodian; Aleta Caywood, Substitute Teacher; Resignations: Andrea Flowers, At Risk Instructional Aide and Transfer: Vicki Richardson to full time At Risk Instructional Aide. Phillip Rush **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.** 

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Cindi Terry made a **motion** to approve the consent agenda as presented that included August payroll and warrants; minutes from the July 10th Regular Board Meeting and July 31st Special Board Meeting; accept the high school activities report; accept the elementary petty cash report; and accept budget reports. Nicholas Ruyle **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 6-0.** 

### **ADJOURN**

Derek Totten adjourned the meeting at 8:40 pm

**BOE MINUTES 8-14-23** 

Next meeting: Monday September 11, 2023; Special Neutral Rate Meeting at 6:45; Special Budget Hearing meeting at 6:50 pm and Regular meeting at 7 pm.

President	Clerk

