

Board of Education Regular meeting

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 6:45 PM

Elementary School Library
201 S 3rd St.
Sharon, OK 73857

Attendance Taken at 6:45 PM.

Bill J. Clem: Present
Mandy Hedges: Absent
Levi Spencer: Present
Neal Stephenson: Present
Eddie White: Present

Present: 4, Absent: 1.

Others in attendance: Mr. Thompson, Superintendent, Mrs. Hopper, High School Principal, Mrs. Syms, Elementary Asst. Principal, Vicki Harzman, Minutes Clerk, Trisha Thompson, Mrs. Shryock, Angela Clem, Mrs. Nail, Monica Stephenson. Late arrivals were Mr. Brad Shryock, Leslie Robinson, Lexi Robinson.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. by President, Bill J Clem

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. SALUTE TO THE OKLAHOMA FLAG

4. INVOCATION

5. STANDING RESOLUTIONS

Motion to approve standing resolutions 1 and 2. This motion, made by Neal Stephenson and seconded by Eddie White, Passed.

Bill J. Clem: Yea
Mandy Hedges: Absent
Levi Spencer: Yea
Neal Stephenson: Yea
Eddie White: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING(S)

2. SCHEDULE OF BILLS AND REPORTS

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: JEFF THOMPSON

Mr. Thompson gave the Superintendent report. He reported that the Community Building is now owned by the town of Mutual, the Rodeo Grounds and Teacherage in Mutual have been posted to bid on. He stated that he has had some inquiries, and will be posting them on Facebook, See-Saw through the school, and in the Woodward News, to advertise as well. The bids will be opened at the October 12th, 2022 Board Meeting.

7. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT- JEFF THOMPSON AND TERRI HOPPER

Mr. Thompson gave the elementary report. Enrollment is 137 for Pre-k thru 6th grade. The cookie dough fundraiser made a profit of \$3,761.80 with the Pre-k selling the most dough, and receiving doughnuts for their prize. Mr. Thompson thanked all the parents for all of their efforts and support. The teacher's Amazon Pages are still open and will be available all year. There will be elementary football the next five Monday nights, the Sharon-Mutual Fair will be September 23rd and 24th, and the Fall Festival will be October 6th. Mr. Thompson encouraged everyone to attend the Fall Festival because you never know what big stars might show up. Student of the month will start next month

Mrs. Hopper reported on the high school stating their enrollment is 69, 7th grade thru 12th grade. There will be fundraisers done at the fair which include Prom Fundraiser-fair concession on Friday and Saturday night, BPA Fundraiser-Taco bar Saturday evening, Basketball Fundraiser-Cornhole Tournament. Grades 9th-12th have attended a Driver Safety Program at Taloga, School and fall sports pictures will be done 9-22-22, the Chad Cargill ACT prep will be 9-26-22, Pre-ACT 9-29-22, and volleyball regionals 10-6-22. One high school student attended the Special Needs Stock Show at Seiling, and a Suicide Prevention Program was presented today.

8. LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORT:

Mrs. Syms reported that the Book Fair starts October 17, 2022, Fire Prevention Program for Pre-k thru 2nd will be the 19th of October, and Kenny Farms visit will be October 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

9. Board to discuss the districts CCRA election of the ACT for the coming year.

Mrs. Hopper reported to the board that the school has a choice to use SAT or ACT, and the ACT is the one most used in this area. She stated that she had put out the information on each one to get parents' feedback, and no comments were made, so will be going with ACT.

. This motion, made by Neal Stephenson and seconded by Eddie White, Passed.

Bill J. Clem: Yea

Mandy Hedges: Absent

Levi Spencer: Yea

Neal Stephenson: Yea
Eddie White: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

10. Board to consider and take action to adjunct teacher, Dalton Shryock, for Weight/Fitness for 3 periods

. This motion, made by Levi Spencer and seconded by Bill J. Clem, Passed.

Bill J. Clem: Yea
Mandy Hedges: Absent
Levi Spencer: Yea
Neal Stephenson: Yea
Eddie White: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

11. Board to consider and take action on School Budget.

The school budget discussion was started by Mr. Thompson giving the board members 4 budget options:

1. Keep doing what we are doing.
 2. Make cuts.
 3. Do a bond issue that allows us to phase in going to one school site.
 4. Do a bond issue that immediately allows us to go to one school site.
- The future of our students and the Sharon-Mutual community is at stake. He then read multiple scriptures from the bible pertaining to the hateful and negative attitudes we have in the communities, and that these must end. He then ask the board members what they wanted. Everyone agrees on going to one site, and needing to pass a bond to be able to do so. Neal Stephenson, Board Vice- President, suggested moving all the lower elementary and elementary students to Mutual, into the old building, while a new building is being built on site. The majority of the board members and teachers present said that could not be done. Eddie White, Clerk, ask why the students couldn't return to old building and was given a number of reasons. 1. It is a 95 year old building, 2. Skunks get under the school and spray, 3. Mold present throughout, 4. Drafty, 5. Have to pump basement out with sub-pump. Mrs. Syms stated that she doubted it would even pass an air quality test, and Mr. Thompson stated he could get what it would cost to be done if that's what the board wants. Levi Spencer, Board member, stated that the board and people in favor of a bond need to get out and talk to the people of Sharon because there is no since having a bond if it won't pass. He suggested the site be at Sharon, build a multifunctional gym with classrooms, and cafeteria. Neal Stephenson, Vice President, suggested having an open board meeting, inviting the communities to attend and have open discussion and questions to find out what type of support there is. Further discussion was heard regarding the cost of building right now and probably in the near future. Mr. Thompson stated it will cost more the longer we wait.

He told the board it was their decision, let staff, students, parents, and community know what you are going to decide as a board. Eddie White, Clerk, recommended the discussion be tabled until next board meeting when Mandy Hedges, Board Member is present.

12. NEW BUSINESS

13. SIGN DOCUMENTS

14. SCHEDULE OF THE NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board Meeting will be October 12th, 2022.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:56 p.m. This motion, made by Eddie White and seconded by Neal Stephenson, Passed.

Bill J. Clem: Yea

Mandy Hedges: Absent

Levi Spencer: Yea

Neal Stephenson: Yea

Eddie White: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1