

**Shawnee Heights U.S.D. 450  
Minutes of Regular Meeting**

**June 22, 2020**

The Board of Education of Shawnee Heights Unified School District No. 450, Shawnee County, Tecumseh, Kansas, met on Monday, June 22, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. in the South Commons of Shawnee Heights High School.

**1. Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. Call to Order**

**3. Roll Call**

Those present were:

Lauren Tice Miller, Board President

Erica Price, Board Vice President

Rocky Busenitz, Board Member

Rosa Cavazos, Board Member (via Zoom)

Eric Deitcher, Board Member

Renaë Hansen, Board Member (via Zoom)

Jason Schulz, Board Member

Dr. Martin Stessman, Superintendent

Matt Hirsch, Associate Superintendent

Sara Hoyer, Board Clerk

Stacey Bell, Secondary Curriculum Director

Stacey Giebler, Elementary Curriculum Director

Dr. Kristin O'Brien, Special Education Director

Nathan Hofstra, Director of Support Services

Blair Anderson, Technology Director

Tiffanie Kinsch, Communications Director

Joe Hobbs, Buildings & Grounds Coordinator

Jeannie Gish, Administrative Assistant

Michael Bass

Patrick Buchanan

Laura Hirsch

Beverly Page-Ferrell

Arnetta Robinson

Bradford Bartlow

Debbie Mack

**4. Approval of:**

**a) Agenda**

Jason Schulz moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Seconded Eric Deitcher, motion carried 7-0.

**b) Minutes of June 8, 2020 Board Meeting**

Jason Schulz moved to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2020 Board Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Eric Deitcher, motion carried 7-0.

**5. Communications:**

**a) District Staff Retirement Recognition**

The Board of Education presented school bells for retiring classified employees and brass apples for retiring certified employees, along with personalized plates and lifetime district passes to the following retirees:

Kay Arnold	Para – Tecumseh North	18 Years Service
Martha Barnhill	Orchestra – High School	35 Years Service
Bradford Bartlow	Bus Driver – Transportation	14 Years Service
Michael Bass	Special Ed/Social Studies – High School	31 Years Service
Karen Bramlage	Vocal Music – Berryton	19 Years Service
Patrick Buchanan	Social Studies – High School	32 Years Service
Betty Hansford	Food Service – Tecumseh North	32 Years Service
Laura Hirsch	Science – High School	20 Years Service
Janice Kostelecky	Food Service – Berryton	22 Years Service
Beverly Page-Ferrell	Special Education – Middle School	13 Years Service
Arnetta Robinson	Bus Driver – Transportation	16 Years Service
Dr. Martin Stessman	Superintendent	15 Years Service
Robert VandeVelde	Bus Driver – Transportation	10 Years Service

**5. Communications: (cont.)**

**b) Back to School Task Force Update**

Matt Hirsch, Associate Superintendent, provided an update on the Back to School Task Force.

**c) Comments/Concerns from Patrons**

None.

**6. Action Items:**

**a. Business by Consent**

Jason Schulz moved to approve items of Business by Consent as submitted. Seconded by Rocky Busenitz, motion carried 7-0.

1) Claims

2) Treasurer's Report

3) Certified Employment

Christine Sturges-Brown\*  
(Effective 8/1/2020)

Social Studies

High School

\*Subject to successful completion of physical, tuberculosis test, drug test, and KBI background check.

**b) Set End of Year Board Meeting Date**

Erica Price moved to set the end of the year Board Meeting date to June 30, 2020, at 3:30 P.M. in the Professional Development Center of Shawnee Heights High School. Seconded by Jason Schulz, motion carried 7-0.

**c) Approve Addition of IT Application Support Specialist**

Erica Price moved to approve the addition of an IT Application Support Specialist as requested. Seconded by Jason Schulz, motion carried 7-0.

**d) Approve Audiology Services Contract**

Jason Schulz moved to approve the contract with Southeast Kansas Education Service Center (Greenbush) for Audiology Services for the 2020-2021 School Year as presented. Seconded by Renae Hansen, motion carried 7-0.

**e) Approve Use of Football Field for Shrine Bowl Practice**

Jason Schulz moved to approve the Use of the Football Field for Shrine Bowl Practice from July 12, 2020 through July 17, 2020, as submitted. Seconded by Eric Deitcher, motion carried 6-0, with one abstention.

**f) Approve Middle School Cafeteria/Commons for SHHS Alumni All School Reunion**

Eric Deitcher moved to approve the request from Terri Pease, Shawnee Heights Alumni president, for the use of the Middle School Cafeteria/Commons to host the SHHS Alumni All School Reunion as submitted, subject to social distancing guidelines and Personal Protection Equipment as directed by the Governor of Kansas. Seconded by Rosa Cavazos, motion carried 7-0.

**g) Approve 2020-2021 United Way Grant for Tecumseh North Elementary**

Jason Schulz moved to approve the 2020-2021 United Way Grant for Tecumseh North Elementary as presented. Seconded by Rosa Cavazos, motion carried 7-0.

6. **Action Items: (cont.)**

**h) Approve 2020-2021 High School Handbook**

Eric Deitcher moved to approve the 2020-2021 High School Handbook as presented. Seconded by Erica Price, motion carried 7-0.

**i) Approve 2020-2021 Dairy Bid**

Renaë Hansen moved to approve the dairy bid from Anderson Erickson with the escalating clause for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. Seconded by Rocky Busenitz, motion carried 7-0.

7. **Discussion Items:**

**a) Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Stessman presented the Superintendent's Report.

**b) Questions/Comments from Board of Education Members**

Eric Deitcher thanked Dr. Stessman for his years of leadership to Shawnee Heights.

Lauren Tice Miller reminded Board Members of the Board Retreat to be held in the Professional Development Center at Shawnee Heights High School on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>.

**c) Executive Session**

None.

8. **Adjournment**

Jason Schulz moved the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Eric Deitcher, motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 P.M.

---

Lauren Tice Miller, Board President

---

Eric G. Deitcher, Board Member

---

Erica Price, Board Vice President

---

Renaë Hansen, Board Member

---

Rocky J. Busenitz, Board Member

---

Jason A. Schulz, Board Member

---

Rosa Cavazos, Board Member

---

Sara T. Hoyer, Board Clerk