

SHERMAN BOARD OF EDUCATION
SHERMAN, CONNECTICUT 06784
REGULAR MEETING - MAY 3, 2023
LMC & ZOOM
7:00 PM

A Regular Meeting of the Sherman Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Vogt at 7:01 on May 3, 2023 in the Library Media Center at The Sherman School.

1. PRESENT

For the Board:	Mr. Vogt, Mrs. Frey, Mrs. Febbraio, Mrs. Grasseler, Mr. McGlinchey (at 7:03pm), Mr. Philipakos, and Mr. Laughlin
Administration:	Dr. Cosentino, Dr. Fernand, Dr. Fildes, and Dr. Leekin
Staff:	2
Residents:	3

The Board and attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. CELEBRATIONS (00:00:47)

3. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

4. ADDITIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA - None

5. CONSENT AGENDA (00:02:15)

- 5.1. Review of Minutes
 - April 4, 2023 - Special Meeting
 - April 5, 2023 - Negotiations Committee Executive Session
 - April 5, 2023 - Regular Meeting
 - April 18, 2023 - Policy Committee Meeting
- 5.2. Personnel Actions
- 5.3. Monthly Enrollment Report
- 5.4. Monthly Budget Report

Mr. Vogt moved to approve consent agenda items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, and 5.4. Mr. Laughlin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 7-0.

6. APPROVAL OF CURRENT BILLS (00:03:31)

Mr. Vogt moved to approve current bills. Mr. Philipakos seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 7-0.

7. ORAL REPORTS (00:04:23)

- 7.1. SPTO Update
- 7.2. Sub-Committees
- 7.3. Chair Report
- 7.4. Superintendent Update

8. PRESENTATION (00:34:42)

8.1. NESDES Special Education Trend Report

Dr. Leekin presented slides and provided a brief explanation of the report's components.

9. **NEW BUSINESS** ([00:59:03](#))

9.1. **First Reading of Policy Relating to Title IX Sex Discrimination and Sexual Harassment in the Workplace (Personnel)**

A brief discussion was had. Policy to return to next month's agenda as second reading.

9.2. **First Reading of Policy Relating to Automatic External Defibrillators**

No discussion. Policy to return to next month's agenda as second reading.

9.3. **First Reading of Policy Relating to Pesticide Application on School Property**

No discussion. Policy to return to next month's agenda as second reading.

9.4. **First Reading of Policy Relating to School Security and Safety**

No discussion. Policy to return to next month's agenda as second reading.

9.5. **First Reading of Policy Relating to Sexual Offenders**

No discussion. Policy to return to next month's agenda as second reading.

10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** ([01:02:11](#))

10.1. **Continued Discussion on Regionalization Costs and Renovation Options for The Sherman School.**

Mr. Laughlin presented slides and led a brief discussion on costs of regionalization.

10.2. **Discussion and Possible Approval to Change a Professional Development Date in September 2023 from 9/22 to 9/18.**

Mr. Vogt made a motion to approve the date change for professional development in September 2023.

Mr. Philipakos seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 7-0.

10.3. **Discussion and Possible Action to Change the 2023 Awards Ceremony Date from 6/15 to 6/14, and 8th Grade Graduation Date from 6/16 to 6/15.**

Mr. Vogt made a motion to approve the awards ceremony and graduation ceremony date changes. Mr.

Laughlin seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 7-0.

11. **COMMUNICATIONS - None**

12. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** ([02:15:14](#))

12.1. Katy Osborn, of 5 Osborn Road, made a comment.

13. **BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS** ([02:16:10](#))

Mr. Laughlin made a comment.

14. **FUTURE MEETINGS AND TOPICS** ([02:17:22](#))

14.1. Regular Meeting - June 7, 2023

14.2. Committee Meetings

14.2.1. Policy Committee Meeting - May 23, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Mr. Vogt made a motion to move into Executive Session at 9:19 PM.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 9:26 PM.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 9:27 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Frey, Vice Chair
Sherman Board of Education

Prepared by Recording Secretary: Courtney Onofer