

**SHOALS COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**

REGULAR SESSION

**CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION OFFICE
11741 IRONTON ROAD
SHOALS, INDIANA 47581**

**December 10th, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

Board Minutes

The Shoals School Board was called to order at 6:00 pm on December 10th, 2020. Members in attendance were President Drexel Turpin, Vice-President Eva George, and Secretary Jenell Hoffman. Staff in attendance were Dr. Candace Roush, Amanda Heckard, Kindra Hovis, Austin Malone, and Shannon Wagoner. The patron in attendance was Angie Risacher.

The minutes of the Regular and Executive meeting on November 12th, 2020 were presented to the Board. Eva George motioned to approve the minutes and was seconded by Jenell Hoffman. The motion passed 3 – 0.

Comments for Patrons Concerning Items on the Agenda

Angie Risacher, Executive Director for the Martin County Alliance for Economic Growth introduced herself to the Board. She helps with tourism and promoting our Town and Schools.

Reports from Building Principals

Shannon Wagoner, Elementary Principal, began with a thank you and shout out to Dr. Roush. She is our rock and works so hard to take care of our school, staff, and students. Her hard work does not go unnoticed. Beta Awards, the kids knocked it out of the park this year. Did such a great job even though it was virtual. We have been working to keep our kids safe in keeping everything cleaned from the virus. A big shoutout to our Substitutes, they have been working hard to help keep our doors open for our students. We have such an amazing team all around and are truly blessed to keep the doors open. Merry Christmas Everyone!

Kindra Hovis, High School Principal, began with a positive note that she had found a grant to help out students with obtaining an associate's degree while in High School. FACS updated, Kim Perry is such a Rock Star and goes above and beyond for her students. The class just completed a Gingerbread house competition, in which they had only 90 minutes to complete. The kids were so proud of their final product. FACS seniors, Kim wanted to start a new tradition to gift them with a

culinary appliance so that they can take them with them once they graduate. BETA awards, kids did a great job and we are proud of the hard work they put in. In semester 2 there is still no answer at this point for what's to come. However, we will be doing what is best for our students and will have a plan in place regardless. We will be beginning a Freshman Thursday school. A letter will go out to all freshman parents with more information. Upcoming Events will be the Winter Band Concert (In-person) on Monday 12/14 at 7:00 pm. Final Exams week of 12/14, with makeup/e-learning day on 12/18. Then winter break will officially be on 12/21. Merry Christmas to all!

Austin Malone, Jr. High Principal, began with the attendance and discipline report which have both been doing fantastic. Our students are doing a great job this semester. Finals will be coming up this week. Also, several students will be rejoining in-person learning next semester. Which the cutoff for signing children back into in-class learning will be 12/11. Congratulations to Mrs. Harder, our little Rox population is growing with the announcement of Little Miss Savannah Jo! COSMOS, Middle schools are being included to help lay the groundwork for the daunting task High Schools face by adding pathway and graduate profiles. We are sad to see Angela Smith go. Mr. Malone is incredibly grateful for her 10 years at Shoals. Thank you to Lorna Troutman and SPA. Also, Dr. Roush, Ms. Hovis, and Mrs. Wagoner. There are no words to express to thank you enough for everything. You are truly a work family and are so grateful for everything. Merry Christmas!

Old Business

None.

New Business

Personnel Recommendations:

Athletic Department recommended:

Amanda Turpin - Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach

A motion was made by Jenell Hoffman and a second was made by Eva George. The motion passed 3-0.

Elementary Principal recommended Olivia Wininger as a Substitute Teacher.

A motion was made by Drexel Turpin and a second was made by Eva George. The motion passed 3-0.

Resolutions for Year-End:

The following resolutions were presented to the board for approval:

- Resolution to Transfer Appropriation Balances to Close 2020 Books
- Resolution to Pre-write Claims to Close 2020 Books
- Resolution for Transfer of Funds
- Resolution to Encumber (Roll Over) Operation Appropriations

A motion was made by Eva George and a second was made by Jenell Hoffman. The motion passed 3-0.

Playground:

Superintendent recommended the Board approve the purchase of a new playground.

A motion was made by Jenell Hoffman and a second was made by Eva George. The motion passed 3-0.

MOU:

The State-mandated MOU with Samaritan Center was presented to the Board for approval.

A motion was made by Drexel Turpin and a second was made by Jenell Hoffman. The motion passed 3-0.

ONB Bank Account User Changes:

The Superintendent recommended an update to the Old National Bank users account.

A motion was made by Eva George and a second was made by Jenell Hoffman. The motion passed 3-0.

First Reading of the Non-Cert Handbook Policy Change:

The Superintendent is recommending a policy change to allow department heads the ability to approve 12-month non-cert employees the ability to take off the day before or the day after a holiday and still receive their holiday pay.

FMLA:

Becky Riggins requested FMLA beginning December 7th and ending December 18th.

A motion was made by Jenell Hoffman and a second was made by Eva George. The motion passed 3-0.

Resignations:

Angie Smith's resignation effective December 18th, 2020.

A motion was made by Drexel Turpin and a second was made by Jenell Hoffman. The motion passed 3-0.

Items after 4:00 on Friday

Personnel Recommendations:

High School Principal recommended MaeLee Hawkins as a substitute teacher.

A motion was made by Jenell Hoffman and a second was made by Eva George. The motion passed 3-0.

Elementary Principal recommended Amber Daniels for student teaching beginning next semester.

A motion was made by Eva George and a second was made by Jenell Hoffman. The motion passed 3-0.

Jr. High Principal recommended Darla Holt as Admin/Guidance assistant.

A motion was made by Jenell Hoffman and a second was made by Eva George. The motion passed 3-0.

Dental Rates:

A motion was made by Drexel Turpin and a second was made by Eva George. The motion passed 3-0.

Certificate of Appointment to Shoals Library Board:

Appoint a partial term to Vernita Williams to the Shoals Public Library board at the Shoals Library Boards' recommendation.

Appoint Liz Chattin for a full 4-year term to the Shoals Public Library board at the Shoals Library Boards' recommendation.

A motion was made by Eva George and a second was made by Drexel Turpin. The motion passed 3-0.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Roush congratulated the Robotics and Beta teams on their accomplishments and wished the Robotics team good luck at these state competition.

She reminded the board that they will reorganize in January as well as look at the 2021-2022 school calendar. Shoals, Michell, and Orleans will have a COSMOS joint ROI school board meeting on January 26th at Orleans to receive a grant update. The high school is currently working with the Department of Workforce Development to create SEALS for our graduation pathways which will connect the pathways with local job openings. Dr. Roush congratulated Ms. Hovis on her \$120,000 pathways grant, thanked Angie Smith for her years and dedication to the Shoals Community School Corporation, and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Leave of Accounting

A motion to approve the Leave of Accounting for November 2020 was given by Drexel Turpin and was seconded by Eva George. The motion passed 3 – 0.

Approval of Claims

A motion to pay all claims was given by Jenell Hoffman and was seconded by Eva George. The motion passed 3 – 0.

Adjournment

A thank you card was read by Board Secretary Jenell Hoffman from the Sam Wagoner Family. The Family wanted to thank everyone for their continued support through this time and the beautiful lantern.

The Board wanted to thank all staff members for their hard work that keeps our School going. Every team member is appreciated for what they do for our students. Also, wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas!

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.