

**Sherman Central School  
Board of Education  
REGULAR MEETING  
December 8, 2010**

**TIME & PLACE:** Board Room # 118

**PRESIDING:** Gary DeLellis, Vice President

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Brian Bates, Randall Boland, Gary DeLellis,  
Melissa Lyon, Colleen Meeder

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Thomas Schmidt, Kaine Kelly, Kimberly  
Oehlbeck, Tracie Cederquist, Charles Stormer,  
Renee Palmieri (Westfield Republican)

The Vice President called the meeting to order at 5:31PM. The pledge of allegiance was recited and board member roll call was taken with 5 members present. (C. Meeder arrived at 5:32).

**ORDER  
PLEDGE  
ROLLCALL**

R. Boland moved to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of November 10, 2010. Second by G. DeLellis, carried 5-0.

**APPROVE  
MINUTES**

B. Bates moved to approve the consent agenda including: cash disbursements for the period ending 10/31/10, treasurer reports for payroll account only for period ending 10/31/10, extra-curricular treasurer reports for period ending 10/31/10 and 11/30/10, and financial reports for period ending 11/30/10 including trial balance reports for period ending 7/31/10 through 11/30/10. Second by M. Lyon, carried 5-0.

**APPROVE  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

Mr. Schmidt, Superintendent, reported on the recovery of the first grade teacher from surgery. M. Rogers is currently in that position and after the return of M. Bogdanowicz the second grade class will be split in two. The bids for the boiler have come in and action will be taken later in the meeting. The new snowplow will be a good investment and the maintenance department will be able to plow our own parking areas for a cost savings. The budget process will begin in January with review of the transportation and maintenance departments. There will be a school finance consortium meeting next week. At the next board meeting Mr. Schmidt will report on what benefits the consortium can provide our rural areas in the event of a reduction in state aid. The procedure for calling a snow day involves contacts with many municipal department heads and neighboring school personnel, along with our own head bus driver.

**SUPERINTEN-  
DENT REPORT**

Mr. Kelly, Principal, reported on recent field trips and events benefiting our middle school students from the live band from Bemus Point that performed at a grade 5-8 dance to the 7<sup>th</sup> grade trip to the Seneca Indian Museum, and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Erie touring the historic Tall Ships. These events help the middle school student strive for better grades to be eligible to participate in these special events. A customer at McDonalds called the district and commented on how well behaved, courteous and friendly our 7<sup>th</sup> grade students were during a brief stop for lunch returning home from their field trip. The K-2 students visited the Safety Village at BOCES. The teachers and students said it was amazing and plans are being made for the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade students to attend in the spring. The 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade reading program headed by M. Rogers accomplished a great deal during this 1<sup>st</sup> half, just before she returned to 1<sup>st</sup> grade. Students have been realigned according to their abilities, including special education students, and progress will continue with students moving from 7 different groups each quarter, and even in some cases weekly. The Parent Portal in Powerschool will have a trial run starting December 9<sup>th</sup> with a select parent/student group. The Parent Portal will allow parents to access student records, teacher comments, grades, and in the near future assignments. If there is a favorable result, all parents will have the ability to access their students' information. Project Know is slated for grades 5 & 6 starting in February with a full curriculum. A parent only informational meeting is scheduled for February 1<sup>st</sup> and the parent and child orientation will be held February 8<sup>th</sup>. A shared teacher in-service is being planned with Clymer and Panama on February 22<sup>nd</sup>. The nationally renowned group making the presentation to the faculty could not be possible with just a single district funding the event, but with BOCES aid

**PRINCIPAL  
REPORT**

and all 3 districts sharing the expense, everyone will benefit. Santa Claus will be visiting the District via helicopter (weather permitting) on 12/22. The Sherman Teachers' Association will assist with gift expenses.

Mrs. Oehlbeck, District Treasurer, stated that the budget calendar has been established. Requests for budget information will be available to staff on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Review of the maintenance and transportation budgets will be conducted during the January board meeting, along with administrative and capital budgets. Special work session may have to be held in addition to regularly scheduled board meetings during the budget process. The tax collection report needs to be signed at this meeting, to be returned to the County.

**DISTRICT  
TREASURER  
REPORT**

G. DeLellis moved to approve the following CSE placement as per the recommendation of the CSE chair: student 9886; resource room 5 x 40/week. Second by R. Boland, carried 5-0.

**CSE PLACEMENTS**

R. Boland moved to adopt the following policies:

**ADOPT POLICIES**

- a) Employee Medical Examinations
- b) Bullying: Peer Abuse in Schools
- c) Pest Management and Pesticide Usage
- d) Safety of Students (Fingerprinting Clearance of New Hires)

Second by B. Bates, carried 5-0.

M. Lyon moved to approve the school tax collection report for the 2010-11 tax year in the amount of \$1,473,492.87 includes penalty of \$3,098.95). Second by G. DeLellis, carried 5-0. *Attachment*

**SCHOOL TAX  
COLLECTION  
REPORT**

B. Bates moved to approve the 2011-12 budget calendar. Second by M. Lyon, carried 5-0. (Note – the budget needs to be adopted by 4/22/10). *Attachment*

**BUDGET  
CALENDAR**

B. Bates moved to approve the following substitutes as emergency conditional appointments pending proper fingerprint clearance for the 2010-11 school year.

**APPROVE  
SUBSTITUTES**

- Katie Fisher – Teacher
- Kari Dundore - Uncertified Teacher
- Kari Tarnowski – Uncertified Teacher

Second by G. DeLellis, carried 5-0.

R. Boland moved to approve the following as volunteer assistant basketball coaches: David Maleski and Brad Smith (Boys' Basketball); Kristin Irwin and Ivy Krenzer (Girls' Basketball). Second by M. Lyon, carried 5-0. (Note – district pays for CPR & AED classes for volunteers).

**APPROVE  
VOLUNTEER  
BASKETBALL  
COACHES**

G. DeLellis moved to approve Kimberly Cole to a probationary position as a teacher aide commencing January 3, 2011. Compensation shall be as per the current negotiated agreement. Second by R. Boland, carried 5-0.

**APPROVE  
TEACHER AIDE**

R. Boland moved to award the bid for a new AERCO Benchmark 2.0 Style Gas Boiler to Stormer Mechanical Services, Inc. at a cost of \$37,805.00. Second by B. Bates, carried 4-0-1 (Abstain – G. DeLellis)

**ACCEPT BID FOR  
BOILER**

Board Comments: G. DeLellis told Mr. Stormer that the price on the new boiler was a good one and he was sure he and his company would continue providing good service to the district as he has in the past.

**BOE COMMENTS**

G. DeLellis moved to enter into executive session at 6:26 PM to discuss personnel, and a student issue. Action will take place after regular session resumes. Second by B. Bates, carried unanimously.

**EXEC. SESSION**

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:30 PM.

**RECONVENE**

R. Boland moved to accept the irrevocable resignation of Timothy Johnson from his position of Secondary English Teacher effective January 31, 2011 for purpose of retirement. Second by G. DeLellis, carried 5-0.

**RESIGNATION (T.  
Johnson)**

M. Lyon moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 PM. Second by B. Bates, carried 5-0.

**ADJOURN**

Respectfully submitted,

Tracie Cederquist, District Clerk