

**School District of Shell Lake**  
**School Board Meeting**  
**November 19, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Scott Smith at 6:00 p.m.

Board members present: Jill Dunlavy, Linda Nielsen, Scott Smith, Nicole Tims, Stu Olson, and Bethany Deneen. Joel Anderson was absent. Others present were Danielle Danford, Ben Kunselman, Matt Ciesielski, Jen Ciesielski, Katrina Granzin, Laurine Forsythe, Robert Forsythe, Jim Campbell, Lee Thomas, Paul Naglosky, Savannah Steines, Katie Cox, Cody Pearson, Sunshine Crosby, Tom Crosby, Steve Naglosky, Nancy Christel, and Paul Christel.

For public comments, concerns were directed at the plans to reduce the amount of trophies in the trophy case. Several comments were made including that many of these trophies held local history and accomplishments and should not be removed. Mr. Bridenhagen said he is open to creating a committee to work on a solution.

Katie Cox and Savannah Steines spoke for the Student Council. The Student Council members did their annual halloween trick or treating for canned goods which was donated to the Food Pantry. They also mentioned that the trimester system has been well received by students.

Nancy Christel commented on concerns regarding the 6th grade class and requested there be a aide in addition to the math coach in each classroom.

**Administrative Reports**

Mr. Bridenhagen said that the State report card has showed an increase of 1.1% over last year and that math and reading scores have increased. He commented that there was great attendance at the Veterans Day program. He also mentioned that a Pow Wow was held on November 16. In the future Shell Lake and Spooner Schools will alternate the Pow Wow presentation and Shell Lake students will be able to attend Spooner during the alternate year.

Mrs. Cox reported that the teachers appreciate the trimester system but have had some struggles with changing content. A GaGa ball pit was built for middle school students by the Spooner Wesleyan Church and has gone over well. Red Ribbon week was held reminding students to remain drug free and facts on vaping were presented to students each day.

Mrs. Stunkel said that Veterans Day was held at the Primary school with the focus being on learning about the flag. 3-6 grade students made a flag at a PBIS event which was displayed on the trophy case in conjunction with the Veterans Day program.

**New Business**

Linda Nielsen moved to accept consent agenda items B - D, seconded by Nicole Tims. The motion carried.

A presentation was given by Kraus-Anderson and LHB architects on the design and development of the building project.

The first reading of the retirement of academic and athletic trophies was withdrawn. An Ad Hoc committee will be formed regarding the trophy case.

Bethany Deneen moved to approve the hiring of Ty Frisbee as the assistant boys basketball varsity coach for the 2018-2019 season, seconded by Stu Olson. The motion carried.

Nicole Tims moved to approve the rental agreement with the Arts Center, seconded by Linda Nielsen. The motion carried.

Jill Dunlavy moved to approve adding the position of a math coach for the 2019-2020 school year, seconded by Bethany Deneen. The motion carried.

Stu Olson moved to accept the resignation of Rebekah Price as grade six teacher and thank her for her years of service, seconded by Linda Nielsen. The motion carried.

Stu Olson moved to approve out of state travel to Nashville for the Band and Choir in the spring of 2020, seconded by Nicole Tims. The motion carried.

Stu Olson moved to approve the hiring of Abby Witter as 6th grade teacher pending a physical and clear background check, seconded by Linda Nielsen. The motion carried.

Stu Olson moved to authorize administration to allocate additional resources as necessary to the 6th grade up to and including a full time aide in each classroom (up to 2 total) spending from fund balance if needed, seconded by Nicole Tims. The motion carried.

Stu Olson moved to have Nicole Tims replace Linda Nielsen as the WASB alternate delegate, seconded by Bethany Deneen. The motion carried.

Committee and Liaison reports were reviewed.

Nicole Tims moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bethany Deneen. The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.