

# SHERMAN BOARD OF EDUCATION

SHERMAN, CONNECTICUT 06784  
**REGULAR MEETING - APRIL 3, 2024**  
**LMC & ZOOM**  
**7:00 PM**

A Regular Meeting of the Sherman Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Vogt at 7:00 PM on April 3, 2024 in the Library Media Center at The Sherman School.

## 1. PRESENT

For the Board:	Mr. Vogt, Mrs. Frey (7:02 PM), Mrs. Febbraio, Mrs. Grasseler, Mr. McGlinchey, Mr. Philipakos, and Mr. Laughlin (7:06 PM)
Administration:	Dr. Cosentino, Dr. Fernand, Dr. Fildes, and Dr. Leekin (via Zoom)
Staff:	10
Residents:	5 (via zoom)

The Board and attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 2. CELEBRATIONS (00:00:39)

## 3. PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

## 4. ADDITIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA (00:01:24)

Mr. Vogt made a motion to add New Business item 9.7: "Discuss Ongoing Negotiations", and requested it be discussed after Future Meetings and Topics, as an Executive Session is anticipated. The motion was seconded by Mr. Philipakos, and it passed unanimously, 5-0.

## 5. CONSENT AGENDA (00:01:59)

- 5.1. Review of Minutes:
  - March 6, 2024 - Negotiations Committee Meeting
  - March 6, 2024 - Regular Meeting
  - March 26, 2024 - Policy Committee Meeting
- 5.2. Personnel Actions
- 5.3. Monthly Enrollment Report
- 5.4. Monthly Budget Report

Mr. Vogt requested that under item 5.2., "Personnel Actions", New Hire Yessenia Pagan be removed from the agenda as this is an employee of EdAdvance and not The Sherman School.

Mr. Vogt moved to approve consent agenda items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, and 5.4. Mrs. Grasseler seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 6-0.

## 6. APPROVAL OF CURRENT BILLS (00:02:49)

Mr. Vogt moved to approve current bills. Mrs. Febbraio seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 6-0.

## 7. ORAL REPORTS (00:03:52)

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

**8. PRESENTATION - NONE**

**9. NEW BUSINESS (00:09:42)**

**9.1. Approval of 2024-2025 School-Wide Calendar**

Mr. Vogt moved to approve the 2024-2025 School-Wide Calendar. Mrs. Grasseler seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 7-0.

**9.2. Approval of Eighth Grade Graduation Date 2024**

Mr. Vogt moved to approve June 12, 2024 as this year's Eighth Grade Graduation Date. Mr. Philipakos seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, 7-0.

**9.3. Approval of High School Tuition Contracts**

Topic tabled to be discussed at next month's regular meeting.

**9.4. First Reading of Policy 5112(a-e) - Ages of Attendance/Admissions/Placement**

Mrs. Frey provided a brief summary. The policy will be added to next month's agenda for a second reading.

**9.5. First Reading of Policy 5141.5(a-b) - Suicide Prevention and Intervention**

No discussion. The policy will be added to next month's agenda for a second reading.

**9.6. First Reading of Policy 6148(a-c) - FASFA Completion Program**

The policy will be added to next month's agenda for a second reading.

**9.7. Discuss Ongoing Negotiations (Executive Summary anticipated)**

**10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE**

**11. COMMUNICATIONS (00:13:47)**

- 11.1. Dr. Cosentino read correspondence from Mrs. Wendy Faulenbach, Chairperson for the New Milford Board of Education, regarding an inter-district cooperative agreement.

**12. PUBLIC COMMENTS (00:15:20)**

- 12.1. Erin Bonner, of 48 Anderson Road, made a comment.

**13. BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMENTS (00:19:11)**

- 13.1. Mr. Laughlin made a comment.

**14. FUTURE MEETINGS AND TOPICS (00:20:10)**

- 14.1. Regular Meeting, May 1, 2024 at 7pm  
14.2. Committee Meetings  
14.2.1. Curriculum Committee Meeting, April 22, 2024 at 6pm via Zoom  
14.2.2. Policy Committee Meeting, May 7, 2024 at 6:30pm via Zoom

Mr. Vogt made a motion to move into executive session at 7:24 PM. The motion was seconded by Mr. Laughlin, and it passed unanimously, 7-0.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:51 PM.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Frey, Vice Chair  
Sherman Board of Education

Prepared by Recording Secretary: Courtney Onofer