OXFORD UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 358
OXFORD, KANSAS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2016
7:00 P.M.
ROOM 104
JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL

MEMBERS PRESENT Alfred Neises, Dorinda Neises, Phillip Rush, Justin Shepherd, Don Shimkus, Derek Totten and Byron White.

OTHERS PRESENT Mark Whitener, Superintendent; Jane Hamilton, Board Clerk; Terri Wiseman, Elementary Principal; Wade Metz and Ashley Watt.

CALL TO ORDER Don Shimkus, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ADOPT THE AGENDA Alfred Neises made a **motion** to adopt the agenda as presented and Dorinda Neises **seconded** this motion. **Motion approved 7-0.**

CONSENT AGENDA Derek Totten made a **motion** to approve the consent agenda as presented which included minutes from the regular meeting on January 11, 2016 and the Special Meeting on January 20, 2016; February payroll and warrants; High School Activity report; Elementary petty cash report; Old Mill report; budget reports; accept resignation from Kacie Barclay; Accept Daycare Report; Approve Rae Guthrie as elementary secretary and Kayli Rhodes as high school secretary; Jessica Whitson as head daycare position; remove Judy Wittenborn from the elementary petty cash account and add Rae Guthrie. Phillip Rush **seconded** the motion. **Motion approved 7-0.**

ACTION ITEMS Derek Totten **motioned** to approve the additional warrants. Justin Shepherd **seconded** this motion. **Motion approved 7-0.**

Motion by Justin Shepherd to approve a scholarship request for $300 from Eric Hansen and Jessica Dutton for $225 for the Spring Semester 2016. This **motion** was **seconded** by Phillip Rush. **Motion approved 7-0.**

DISCUSSION/REPORT ITEMS The board heard a request from Ashley Watt seeking approval for the FFA to attend the National Convention in Louisville, Kentucky in October. Getting approval now would enable the group to work on fund-raisers throughout the summer. Don Shimkus **motioned** to approve the October trip and a

transportation allowance up to $1000. Byron White **seconded** this motion. **Motion approved 7-0.**

Policy updates were provided to the board for review.

In the Elementary report, Ms. Wiseman mentioned the new secretary had started and was doing well; a wellness policy review; the 4th, 5th and 6th grade music program had been rescheduled for February 18 in the gym; state assessments; and a Discover Oxford program being initiated by 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students.

Dr. Whitener mentioned we were well into the 3rd quarter; utilities were down compared to last year; community support; and asked the board to feel free to ask questions about any agenda item prior or during the meeting.

COMMITTEES

Derek Totten, USD 358's representative for the Interlocal 619 board, reported that until any new developments, the interlocal would continue as is; an approval for a resignation and the director evaluation.

Alfred Neises, USD 358 representative for South Central Kansas Education Service Center also had policy updates to review; approved an out of state conference and approved personnel for "soft skills" training.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Several items were commented on by board members: the daycare program, the Old Mill program, agenda requests, and the KASB board of directors hosting the April meeting in Oxford.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

8:05 p.m. Motion by Don Shimkus, **seconded** by Justin Shepherd, to go into executive session for personnel matters for non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual and return to open meeting in 25 minutes. **Motion approved 7-0.**

8: 23 p.m. The board invited Dr. Whitener into executive session.

8:31 p.m. The board and Dr. Whitener returned to open session.

No action was taken.

ADJOURN Don Shimkus adjourned the meeting at 8:46 p.m.

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President Clerk