

**SHELDON R-VIII BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Meeting Location: FACS Room**

**March 11, 2026 Open Session**

**Meeting Time: 6:00 p.m.**

**Board Members Present:**

Mr. Sprenkle     Mr. Lamb  
Mrs. Claflin     Mrs. Byram  
Mr. Nance        Mrs. Blurton

**Board Members Absent:**

Mr. Leininger

**Administrators Present:**

Mr. Irwin  
Mr. Post  
Ms. Young

Mr. Lamb called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and Mrs. Byram gave the opening prayer.

**Approval of Agenda:** A motion was made by Mr. Nance to approve the Agenda. Mr. Sprenkle seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

**Community Forum:** None

**Consent Agenda:** Mr. Nance made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Byram seconded and after some discussion, the motion carried 6-0.

**Financial Report:**

Bills: Mrs. Claflin made a motion to pay the bills and Mrs. Blurton seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Balance: The balance was reviewed.

Budget: The budget was reviewed. Mr. Irwin shared with the board how the Balance HQ software is working.

**Facilities:** Mr. Irwin gave an update on the progress of the bus barn and informed the board of the findings of the insurance inspection.

**Old Business:**

CSIP: Mr. Post reviewed CSIP and informed the board of results of the staff and student surveys.

**New Business:**

Board Scholarship: There was a consensus to offer a board scholarship this year and a committee was formed of the following board members: Mr. Lamb, Mrs. Blurton and Mrs. Byram.

Football Co-op: Mrs. Byram made a motion to co-op with Stockton R-1 School District for JH and HS football for the 2026-2027 school year. Mr. Nance seconded the motion and the motion carried 6-0.

Health Insurance Premiums: Mr. Irwin shared new health insurance premiums with the board.

Teacher's Time: Mrs. Elizabeth Rayburn shared with the board about classroom activities throughout the school.

Principal's Report: See attached.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Irwin gave both legislative and transportation updates and informed the board of a conference he will be attending.

Annual Board Refresher Training: The board completed the 2025-2026 board refresher training.

**Closed Session:** At 7:15 p.m. Mr. Nance made a motion to move into closed session after a short recess for discussion and possible action regarding 610.021 RSMO for the purpose of (3) Personnel-Hiring/terminating/disciplining/promoting and (13) Personnel-Records/evaluations/applications. Mr. Lamb seconded the motion and the motion carried with the following vote: Mr. Sprenkle-yes, Mrs. Blurton-yes, Mrs. Byram-yes, Mr. Lamb-yes, Mrs. Claflin-yes, Mr. Nance-yes.

**Adjournment:** At 8:15 p.m. Mr. Nance made a motion to leave closed session and adjourn the meeting. Mr. Lamb seconded and after some discussion, the motion carried with the following vote: Mr. Sprenkle-yes, Mrs. Blurton-yes, Mrs. Byram-yes, Mr. Lamb-yes, Mrs. Claflin-yes, Mr. Nance-yes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Board President

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Date

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Board Secretary

**Sheldon R-VIII School District  
Principals Report- Kevin Post  
Board Meeting- March 11, 2026**

<b>Attendance:</b>	Current Enrollment:	201	93.72%
	Elementary:	113	94.33%
	High School:	88	92.96%

### **Career & Technical Education Opportunities (LCTC)**

Seven of our students recently interviewed for programs at the Lamar Career and Technical Center (LCTC). These programs provide valuable hands-on learning opportunities and help students gain skills that prepare them for both careers and further education. We expect to receive notification regarding program placements by the end of this week or early the week we return from Spring Break. We are excited to see which programs our students are selected for and proud of them for pursuing these opportunities.

### **Project Based Learning (PBL) Night**

Our PBL Night was a tremendous success. Students and teachers in grades 3–6 did a phenomenal job showcasing their learning. This year's theme was a tour across America's National Parks, and the creativity and effort put into the projects were impressive. It was great to see families in the building supporting students and engaging with their work. Events like this highlight the excellent things happening in our classrooms and the dedication of both our students and staff.

### **Mobile Dental Unit**

The Mobile Dental Unit recently visited our school and was able to serve several of our students. This service provides an important opportunity for students who may otherwise have difficulty accessing dental care. A special thank you goes to Nurse Patty for coordinating this visit and helping ensure our students had access to these services.

### **Spelling Bee**

Our school Spelling Bee took place on March 4. We had several students place in the competition and represent their grade levels very well. Congratulations to the following students: Bristyn Rayburn placed 2nd, and Raelynn Snowden placed 3rd in their grade level.

### **Math Relays**

Students participated in Math Relays on March 5, where they had the opportunity to compete and showcase their math skills. Our students performed well and represented the school with pride. Individual Test: 1st place 7th Grade: Uric Lamb, 3rd place tie 7th Grade: Kenneth Greer & Kellen Webb, 3rd place 8th Grade: Shawn Danner, 1st place Algebra 1: Jeovanni Salazar, 2nd place Algebra 1: Bohdi Bogart, 1st place Algebra 2: Alivia Colbert, 2nd Place Geometry: Sophie Swanson, 3rd place tie Geometry: Trenton Gardner & Kamberleigh Johnson, 2nd place Advanced Math: Maria Salazar, Team Test: 1st place: 7th Grade, 1st place: 8th Grade, 2nd place: Algebra 1, 1st place: Algebra 2, 3rd place: Geometry, 2nd place: Advanced Math. Overall, Sheldon won 1st place and brought the travelling trophy back to Sheldon!!!

### **Mass Band**

Our students participated in Mass Band on March 10. According to Mrs. Patrick, the event went very well and our students did a fantastic job representing our school. Opportunities like this allow students to collaborate with musicians from other schools and continue developing their musical skills.

## **Upcoming: Capitol Trip**

We are looking forward to the upcoming Capitol Trip on March 31. Students will once again travel by train from Lee's Summit to Jefferson City, which always makes for an exciting experience. It will certainly be a long day, but it is a great opportunity for students to learn more about state government and experience the Capitol firsthand.

## **Common Area Procedures: Morning Arrival & Lunch**

Over the past several weeks, we have been reviewing our morning arrival and lunch routines to ensure they are as efficient, safe, and consistent as possible for both students and staff. As part of this process, we have worked with staff and consulted with our BIST support team to identify areas where clearer expectations and more consistent procedures can benefit our school environment.

The goal of these adjustments is to create consistent expectations across all adults and spaces, helping students understand what is expected of them from the moment they enter the building through lunchtime. When procedures are clear and consistently implemented, it helps reduce confusion for students, improves supervision, and allows transitions throughout the day to run more smoothly.

Because these updates include several detailed procedural adjustments, the full outline of the morning arrival and lunch procedures is included on a separate page of this report. We believe these refinements will strengthen our routines and contribute positively to the overall structure and culture of the school moving forward.

In addition, I will be seeking board approval for minor updates to the student handbook and adjustments to the discipline matrix so they better align with these expectations. These changes are not intended to be drastic, but rather to ensure that the handbook and discipline framework provide clearer guidance and better support the routines we are working to establish.

### **Upcoming Dates!**

Mar 12: AR Party @ Soar, ELBB vs. Bronaugh  
Mar 13: Spring Sports Pictures, ASVAB Interpretation  
Mar 15-17: FCCLA State  
Mar 16-20: Spring Break  
Mar 23: FFA Adrian Contest, ELBB @ Bronaugh  
Mar 24: Winter Sports Awards  
Mar 25: Reality Day @ Hume 10th & 11th Grades  
Mar 26: FFA Crowder Contest, Softball @ Lakeland, ELBB vs. Hume  
Mar 27: ELBB vs. NEVC, Softball v. Rich Hill, Hearing Screenings  
Mar 30: FFA Districts, Softball @ Verona, HS Track @ Archie, ELBB @ NEVC  
Mar 31: Softball @ Jasper, 4th & 5th Grade Field Trip to the Capitol  
Apr 1: HS Track @ Greenfield  
Apr 2: Easter Egg Hunt  
Apr 3: Good Friday-No School; HS Track @ Pitt State  
Apr 6: Easter Monday-No School  
Apr 7: HS Track @ Stockton  
Apr 8: Immunization Clinic  
Apr 9: Spring Concert @ 6:00, Softball vs. New Heights, HS Mock Crash @ Nevada  
Apr 10: Food for America, Softball vs. Osceola @ Sheldon, HS Track @ Ash Grove, Softball Pictures at Bronaugh @ 7:30am  
Apr 11: Prom  
Apr 12-14: FBLA State  
Apr 13: No School - PD Day, JH Track @ Archie  
Apr 14: Softball vs. Hume, HS Track @ El Dorado Springs  
Apr 14, 16, 21, 23: YMCA Make-a-Splash Program (2nd Grade)  
Apr 15: Kindergarten Screening