# **SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Chair Ron Pagel called the special meeting of the Dover-Eyota Board of Education, District #533, to order at 6:01 PM in the Dover-Eyota High School Media Center. Other Board members present: Tamara DeMuth, Heather Duellman, James Johnson, Jessica McFarlan (6:07 pm), Shawnna Seaquist and Superintendent Mike Carolan. Absent: None. Also in attendance were Business Manager Gary Betcher, and Administrative Assistant Tara Dabelstein.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## Approve the Amended Agenda

A motion was made by Member Johnson, seconded by Member DeMuth, and carried unanimously to approve the amended agenda.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Meet the Interim Board Member Applicants</u> Janet Schofield – addressed the school board and shared a little about herself and why she was interested in being an interim board member.

Laura Mickow – addressed the board and shared a little about herself and why she was interested in being and interim board member.

Riley Hammel – addressed the school board and shared a little about himself and why he was interested in being an interim board member.

Ben Ninas – addressed the school board and shared a little about himself and why he was interested in being an interim board member.

<u>Discussion and Adoption if the Resolution Filling School Board Vacancy by Appointment</u> The board discussed the four candidates and recommended the candidates they felt would fill the spot best.

A motion was made by Member Johnson, seconded by Member McFarlen, to adopt the Resolution Filling School Board Vacancy by Appointment with Riley Hammel, a roll call vote was taken with the following voting in favor: DeMuth, Duellman, Johnson, McFarlen, Pagel, and Seaquist. Those voting against the same: none. The resolution carried unanimously.

# **RESOLUTION FILLING SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY BY APPOINTMENT**

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of school board member with a term expiring the first Monday in January, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the vacancy occurred less than ninety (90) days prior to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of the third year of the vacant term or on any date during the fourth year of the vacant term;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 533, State of Minnesota, as follows:

Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.09, Subd. 5b, RILEY HAMMEL is hereby appointed to fill the vacancy and to serve the remainder of the unexpired term and until a successor is elected and qualified. The appointment shall be effective thirty (30) days after the adoption of this resolution unless a valid petition to reject the appointee is filed with the school district clerk pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.09, Subd. 5b(b) within that thirty (30) day time period.

#### Mask Policy Discussion

There was extensive discussion regarding masking where both sides of this issue were discussed. A motion was made by Member Johnson, seconded by Member DeMuth, and carried unanimously to accept Superintendent Carolan's recommendation to move from the Mandatory Mask policy to a Highly Recommend Mask policy with the understanding that, due to circumstances, it could change.

### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Member Johnson, seconded by Member McFarlen, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 PM.

Heather Duellman, Clerk TD