

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 16, 2015

Chair Pagel called the special meeting of the Dover-Eyota Board of Education, District #533, to order at 7:00 PM in the Dover-Eyota High School Media Center. Board members present: Don Andring, Julie Austinson, Molly Hofschulte, Andrea Lehnertz, Linda Nelson, Ron Pagel, and Todd Peterson. Absent: none. Also in attendance were Principal Jeanne Svobodny, Principal Todd Rowekamp, Curriculum Director Jane Johnson, Assistant Principal/Activities Director John Ostrowski, Administrative Assistant Chris Berg, Gary Betcher, Carrie Frank, Ryan Anderson, Dan Johnson, Sarah Smith, and Brian Todd.

(Over the past weeks through an interview process, the School Board was able to narrow down the list of candidates to three very strong individuals. On Saturday, March 14th, three teams interviewed the three finalists.)

Superintendent Candidate Selection Process

At the Board meeting, the Administrative Team members, Administrative Assistant Chris Berg, and the Board members relayed their opinions about the final three candidates: Donita Joens, Michael Carolan, and Craig Ihrke.

After a lengthy discussion, the Board ranked the candidates and narrowed them down to Mrs. Joens and Mr. Carolan.

Member Andring made a motion to offer a contract to Michael Carolan. The motion was seconded by Member Austinson.

After a short discussion, Mr. Andring amended his motion to include offering a contract to Donita Joens if Mr. Carolan did not accept the district's offer. That motion was seconded by Member Austinson.

A vote on the amended motion resulted in a roll call vote. Those voting in favor: Austinson, Andring, Lehnertz, and Pagel. Those voting against the same: Hofschulte, Peterson and Nelson. The motion carried 4 to 3.

Chair Pagel thanked all of the individuals involved in the interview process for their time and input. He also relayed the importance of everyone to be in full support of the district's next superintendent, which all members agreed was very important for the future success of the district.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Member Peterson, seconded by Member Nelson, and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Julie Austinson, Clerk
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