

Tri-County Area School District

Plainfield, WI

Minutes from Special Board Meeting

Held July 14, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mark Bacon, Chairperson, in the High School Library.

Board members present were: Jim Cesar, Sue Lederer, Wayne Cummings, Jeff Hopkins, Jim Knutson, Wayne Cummings, Cindy Baumgartner and Mark Bacon. Members absent none.

Others present included: Anthony Marinack, District Administrator

The "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited.

Mark Bacon read the agenda and stated that the reason for the special board meeting was to interview and appoint a new school board member to fill Amy Anderson's position on the School Board. Amy has moved to Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

Mark Bacon listed the four candidates that were being interviewed tonight, Tom Moore, Michael Ceballos, Peggy Morgan, and Jerry Knutson. Times of their individual interviews were randomly selected according to policy.

Mark read a statement asking if there were any school board members that because of bias, prejudice, or other reasons-who would be unable to act impartially in making a decision in selecting a new school board member, please excuse yourself at this time.

No school board members left the meeting.

Mark explained the procedures he had selected to run the meeting. First the group will look over the list of questions gotten from the WASB and select those to be asked tonight. After the four interviews they will select a new board member by signed ballots. They will continue to vote until they have a majority of the voting body (5) votes for a single candidate, as our policy states, with 8 board members present tonight.

A discussion took place about which questions will be asked of each candidate. The committee selected 8 questions with the candidates being able to ask questions of the board or make a final statement at the end of the questioning.

Tom Moore arrived at 5:30 p.m. and was introduced and interviewed. Tom was finished with his interview at 5:50 p.m.

Mark Bacon stated that there would not be any discussion about candidates between interviews.

Michael Ceballos came in for his interview at 5:57 p.m. and left at 6:20 p.m.

Peggy Morgan arrived at 6:25 p.m. for her interview and left at 6:50 p.m.

Jerry Knutson arrived at 6:53 p.m. and left at 7:22 p.m.

Mark passed out the ballot #1, ballots were filled out, signed, and collected.

Mr. Marinack tallied the votes.

A tally of the votes indicated that a majority for one individual, 5 votes out of 8 total votes, was not achieved.

Mark Bacon suggested that the board go around and list the candidate they selected and why? Each board member spoke about their selection and why.

Mark Bacon passed about ballot #2 and stated that you are voting once again on your preferred board member candidate.

Mr. Marinack tallied the votes. A majority of (5) votes out of 8 total votes was achieved for one individual. Michael Ceballos received the majority of the votes and will be asked to accept the position of the appointment to the school board. If he accepts he will be sworn in before the next regular meeting on July 28, 2015.

Mark Bacon then handed out the ballot #3, and asked the members to select an alternate as they were to cross out Michael Ceballos and select their alternate in the event Michael turns down the offer.

The votes were tallied by Mr. Marinack and a majority of 5 votes out of 8 total votes was achieved for one individual. Jerry Knutson received the majority of the votes and will be the alternate.

Mark Bacon stated that Mr. Marinack will inform the candidates and that Michael Ceballos will be our #1 candidate and asked to be on the board and Jerry Knutson will be the alternate.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Recorded by: Anthony Marinack