

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Livonia Public Schools
15125 Farmington Road
Special Meeting
May 7, 2014**

Board President Mark Johnson convened the meeting at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room, 15125 Farmington Road, Livonia.

Members Present Tammy Bonifield, Colleen Burton, Mark Johnson, Dianne Laura, Eileen McDonnell, and Randy Roulier

Members Absent None

Audience Communications None

Remaining Interviews for Board Appointment to Replace former Board Trustee Julie Robinson President Johnson relayed that due to the resignation of Board Trustee Julie Robinson (Julie's last day of service on the Board was April 14, 2014), interviews were being held for all individuals who applied for the open Board seat. Mr. Johnson shared the guidelines for the interview process.

The remaining 13 candidates (out of a total 26 candidates) were interviewed:

Heather	Betke
Leslie	Hicks
Jeffrey	Jacobs
Richard	Joyner
Frederick	Keebler
Steve	King
Tom	Lang
Rusty	McIntyre
Julianne	Pastula
Philip	Sattler, Jr.
Erik	Shamberger
Kevin	Sutton
Roy	Watts

Each of the Board members (other than the Board President) asked the candidates one question, for a total of five questions. Board members asked all candidates the same five questions. Candidates were allotted two minutes for each response.

Interviews ran ahead of schedule, therefore the Board took a food break at 6:14 p.m., reconvening at 6:45 p.m. and another

break at 8:14 p.m., reconvening at 8:27 p.m.

Upon completion of the last interview, President Johnson noted that although the meeting would continue to be taped, there would be silence as Board members reviewed their notes for all 26 candidates.

Selection Process

Dr. Randy Liepa, Superintendent, shared specific details about how the voting process would work. The voting occurred as follows:

Round 1 – Select Top 5 Candidates from 26

Roulier: Boloven, Centers, Jarvis, Sutton Watts
Burton: Grzebik, Jarvis, Pastula, Sutton, Watts
Johnson: Bardell, Grzebik, Jarvis, Sutton, Watts
Laura: Centers, Pastula, Shamberger, Sutton, Watts
McDonnell: Apap, Centers, Jacobs, Joyner, Pastula
Bonifield: Centers, Jarvis, Shamberger, Sutton, Watts

As stipulated in the guidelines for the selection process, any candidate with at least one vote moved on to Round 2.

Round 2 – Select Top 3 Candidates from all candidates listed in Round 1 above

Bonifield: Centers, Jarvis, Shamberger
McDonnell: Boloven, Centers, Pastula
Laura: Centers, Pastula, Watts
Johnson: Jarvis, Sutton, Watts
Burton: Jarvis, Sutton, Watts
Roulier: Jarvis, Sutton, Watts

The guidelines for the selection process stipulate that the 3 candidates from Round 2 with the most votes move on to Round 3. Liz Jarvis and Roy Watts received four votes each. Dan Centers and Kevin Sutton were tied with three votes each, therefore the Board needed to break that tie.

Round 2 Tie Breaker #1 (Centers, Sutton)

Roulier: Sutton
Burton: Sutton
Johnson: Sutton
Laura: Centers
McDonnell: Centers
Bonifield: Centers

Round 2 Tie Breaker #2 (Centers, Sutton)

Bonifield Centers
McDonnell: Centers
Laura: Centers
Johnson: Sutton
Burton: Sutton
Roulier: Sutton

Round 2 Tie Breaker #3 (Centers, Sutton)

Roulier: Centers
Burton: Sutton
Johnson: Centers
Laura: Centers
McDonnell: Centers
Bonifield: Centers

Dan Centers received 5 votes and Kevin Sutton received one vote. Dan Centers moved on to Round 3 with Liz Jarvis and Roy Watts.

Round 3 – Select 1 Candidate from the overall top 3 from Round 2 (Dan Centers, Liz Jarvis, Roy Watts)

Roulier: Watts
Burton: Jarvis
Johnson: Jarvis
Laura: Watts
McDonnell: Centers
Bonifield: Centers

As stipulated in the guidelines for the selection process, if there are not four votes for one of the three candidates, Board members must then vote for two candidates from the overall top 3 from Round 2 (Dan Centers, Liz Jarvis, Roy Watts).

Round 3 Continuation – Select 2 Candidates from the overall top 3 (Dan Centers, Liz Jarvis, Roy Watts)

Bonifield: Centers, Jarvis
McDonnell: Centers, Watts
Laura: Centers, Watts
Johnson: Jarvis, Watts
Burton: Jarvis, Watts
Roulier: Centers, Watts

As stipulated in the guidelines for the selection process, the two candidates with the most votes (Centers, Watts) move on to the next round.

Final Round – Select 1 Candidate from the top 2 Candidates from Round 3: (Centers, Watts)

Roulier: Watts
Burton: Watts
Johnson: Watts
Laura: Centers
McDonnell: Centers
Bonifield: Centers

Final Round – Tiebreaker #1

Bonifield: Centers
McDonnell: Centers
Laura: Centers
Johnson: Watts
Burton: Watts
Roulier: Watts

Final Round – Tiebreaker #2

Roulier: Watts
Burton: Watts
Johnson: Watts
Laura: Centers
McDonnell: Centers
Bonifield: Centers

Final Round – Tiebreaker #3

Bonifield: Centers
McDonnell: Centers
Laura: Centers
Johnson: Watts
Burton: Watts
Roulier: Watts

Final Round – Tiebreaker #4

Roulier: Centers
Burton: Watts
Johnson: Watts
Laura: Centers
McDonnell: Centers
Bonifield: Centers

Dan Centers received four votes in the final round tiebreaker and Roy Watts received two votes.

**Board Trustee
Appointment**

It was moved by Mrs. Burton and supported by Mrs. Bonifield that the Board of Education of the Livonia Public Schools School District appoint Dan Centers to fill the Board trustee vacancy created by the resignation of Julie Robinson. Said appointment will be through December 31, 2014.

Ayes: Bonifield, Burton, Johnson, Laura, McDonnell, Roulier
Nays: None

Adjournment:

President Johnson adjourned the meeting at 9:19 p.m.

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