

Minutes of the Special School Board Meeting

Of the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 held at the Historic Old Central High School, 215 North First Avenue East, Duluth, Minnesota 55802, on

Wednesday, April 13, 2011

Members Present:

Mary Cameron
Gary Glass
Tim Grover
Art Johnston
Tom Kasper
Judy Seliga Punyko
Ann Wasson

Others Present:

Bill Hanson, Deputy Clerk
Melinda Thibault, Secretary

Chair Seliga Punyko called the special school board meeting of April 13, 2011 to order at 5:00 p.m.

Board Members interviewed the following candidates:

Dr. James Hess
Ed.D., University of Northern Colorado
Superintendent – Bemidji Public Schools, Bemidji, MN

Janet Mohr
Ed.S. Minnesota State University Moorhead
Director, Northeast Metro Intermediate School District, Whitebear Lake, MN

Dr. I.V. Foster
Ed.D., Northern Illinois University
Superintendent – Prairie-Hills School District, Markham, IL

Board members ranked the candidates by secret ballot, and discussed their choices.

M-Wasson, S-Johnston, to bring back Bill Gronseth, James Hess, and I.V. Foster for a second round of interviews to be held April 27, 28 and 29th, with Stan Mack as a backup if someone drops out. Upon a vote the same was approved – unanimously.

School Exec Connect reviewed the finalist interview process with board members.

Chair Seliga Punyko adjourned the Special School Board meeting of April 13, 2011 at 9:25 p.m.