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Board of Education
Minutes
Special Meeting
February 13, 2017

This special meeting of the Cassopolis Board of Education was held on Monday, February 13, 2017 in the Board Meeting Room at Squires Education Center and began at 5:30 pm as President Ward welcomed those attending.

Members Present: Amanda Smego, Deb Deubner, Lisa Cutting, George Calvert, Sue Horstmann, Jesse Binns, Scott Ward

Member Absent: None

Also present: Staff members, Cindy Martynowicz and member of the press

Lisa Cutting led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda - **Moved by** George Calvert, **supported by** Jesse Binns to approve the agenda, as presented. **Motion carried** 7-0, as follows: Binns, yes; Horstmann, yes; Calvert, yes; Cutting, yes; Deubner, yes; Smego, yes; Ward, yes.

Approval of Minutes – **Moved by** George Calvert, **supported by** Jesse Binns to approve minutes from the February 6, 2017 special meeting, as written. **Motion carried** 7-0, as follows: Cutting, yes; Binns, yes; Deubner, yes; Horstmann, yes; Smego, yes; Calvert, yes; Ward, yes.

Superintendent Interviews – Mr. Ward asked that the first candidate be called.

First Interview - Tina Lawson introduced herself. Mrs. Lawson is currently the Principal at Blossomland Learning Center at Berrien RESA. She reviewed her educational experience. Mrs. Martynowicz read a series of questions which were answered by Mrs. Lawson. After that time the candidate was allowed an opportunity to ask questions of the Board. Mrs. Lawson's interview ended at 6:25 pm. The Board took a brief recess.

Second Interview – David VanLue was the second candidate interviewed. Mr. VanLue is currently the Principal at Ross Beatty Jr./Sr. High School. He went over his past educational experience. Mrs. Martynowicz read the list of questions which were answered by Mr. VanLue. At the conclusion of answering the prepared questions the candidate was allowed an opportunity to ask questions of the Board. Mr. VanLue's interview concluded at 7:50 pm. The Board took a brief recess.

Third Interview – Marc Kramer was the next candidate interviewed. Mr. Kramer is currently the Principal at Mendon Middle High School. Mr. Kramer went through his educational experience. Mrs. Martynowicz asked the interview questions which were answered by Mr. Kramer. After that, the candidate was allowed an opportunity to ask questions of the Board. Mr. Kramer's interview concluded at 9:05 pm. The Board took a brief recess.

Fourth Interview – Patrick Weckel was the final candidate for the night. Mr. Weckel is currently Principal at Brandywine High School. Mr. Weckel went over his educational experience. Mrs. Martynowicz went through the list of questions which Mr. Weckel answered. Once through the questions, the candidate was allowed an opportunity to ask questions of the Board. Mr. Weckel’s interview concluded at 10:10 pm.

The final four interviews will be held on Wednesday, February 15, 2017, beginning at 5:30 pm.

Public Comment – At this time the Board heard public comment.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Education it was **moved by** George Calvert, **supported** by Jesse Binns to adjourn the meeting at 10:23 pm. All in favor.

Susan Horstmann, Secretary