

Athens Area Schools

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BOARD OF EDUCATION

SPECIAL MEETING

Date: May 27, 2015

Location: Athens Jr./Sr. High School Media Center, 300 E. Holcomb St., Athens, MI 49011

Time: 6:00 pm

1. **Call to order**, Mr. Stanton presiding at 6:03 PM.

a. membership count to determine quorum presence:

Present: Mrs. Kacie Brunner: Mr. Craig Fairchild: Mr. Michael Harvey:

Mr. John Knowles: Mr. Dan Loew: Mr. Eric McClure: Mr. Dennis Stanton:

A quorum is, is not present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. **Approval of Agenda.**

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented/amended.

Motion: Knowles.

Second: Brunner. Ayes: Nays: .

Passed: . Defeated: .

3. **Public Comment:** "This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda. Is there any public comment in accordance with Bylaw 0167.3 at this time? "

None

4. **Presentations/Discussions.**

a. Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB)-Denny Patzer

b. Michigan Leadership Institute (MLI)-Gary Rider

5. **Routine Matters.**

None

6. **Reports.**

7. **Action Items**

A. **Unfinished Business**

None

B. **New Business.**

1. Appointment of Interim Superintendent

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education appoint Joe Huepenbecker as Interim Superintendent of Schools, commencing July 1, 2015, and continuing until a permanent superintendent shall be approved by the Board and take office as same. Terms of compensation are to be negotiated by the president and secretary of the board and presented for approval at the next regular meeting of the board.

Motion: Stanton.

Second: Knowles. Ayes: _____ Nays: _____.

Passed: _____. Defeated: _____.

Tabled till next meeting*-Fairchild; Second-Knowles; Motion carried 4-2

*Currently set for regular meeting, June 15, 2015

2. Selection of Superintendent Search Firm

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Education select Gary Rider of MLI to provide superintendent search services in accordance with a contract to be signed by the president and secretary of the board, and in acceptance of the proposal made by said firm to the board under Presentations, above.

Motion: Knowles.

Second: Fairchild. Ayes: 5 Nays: 1.

Passed: x. Defeated: _____.

8. **Public Comment.**

Some staff from elementary school shared concern about having a principal in their building.

Michelle Brubaker: As a parent and committee member, and hearing that staff is also, is supportive of Joe Huepenbecker as interim superintendent.

9. **Board Comment**

McClure: Thanked those in attendance for coming

10. **Adjournment.**

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move the meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Knowles

Second: Fairchild. Ayes: 6 . Nays: 0 .

Passed: x . Defeated: .

Time: 8:41 pm

Minutes signed by: Daniel R. Loew, Secretary of the Board of Education

Minutes prepared by: Richard P. Franklin, Superintendent

Approved for publication by the Board: June 2, 2015 (date)