

HERMANTOWN COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
Minutes: February 6, 2020

The Board of Education of Hermantown Independent School District No. 700 met in special session on Thursday, February 6, 2020, at the Middle School Lecture Hall. Chair, Dianne Mathews, called the meeting to order at 4:02 P.M.

Members present: Gary Kneisl, Karly Madill, Dianne Mathews, Tim Peterson, Aaron Salmela, Jonathan Thornton, and Lance Takkunen, Director of Business Services.

Visitors: A few members of the community

APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Mathews and seconded by Thornton to approve the agenda as printed. Passed Unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

- 2nd round interview with Gina Kleive for superintendent position.

RECESS

A motion was made by Mathews and seconded by Salmela to recess the meeting at 4:52 p.m. Passed unanimously.

RECONVENE

A motion was made by Mathews and seconded by Thornton to reconvene the meeting at 5:23 p.m. Passed unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

- 2nd round interview with Donita Stepan for superintendent position.

RECESS

A motion was made by Mathews and seconded by Kneisl to recess the meeting at 6:32 p.m. for a light dinner. Passed unanimously.

RECONVENE

A motion was made by Mathews and seconded by Thornton to reconvene the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Passed unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

- 2nd round interview with Wayne Whitwam for superintendent position.

RECESS

A motion was made by Mathews and seconded by Salmela to recess the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Passed unanimously.

RECONVENE

A motion was made by Mathews and seconded by Thornton to reconvene the meeting at 8:44 p.m. Passed unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

- Board discussion on the strengths and opportunities for growth from each candidate.

A motion was made by Peterson and seconded by Kneisl to extend the offer of an employment contract for the position of Hermantown Community Schools Superintendent to Wayne Whitwam contingent upon the following: a mutually agreeable employment contract can be negotiated and a criminal background check is completed and the results are acceptable to The Board of Education of Hermantown Independent School District No. 700. Passed unanimously.

- Board discussion on Superintendent contract negotiation parameters.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Kneisl and seconded by Madill to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 p.m. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathan Thornton, Clerk

Dianne Mathews, Chair