

ONAWAY AREA COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MINUTES
February 18, 2025 - 6:00 PM
Onaway Media Center

1. Call to order.
A special meeting of the Onaway Area Community School District's Board of Education was held in the Media Center. Called to order by President Mike Hart at 6:00pm on February 18th, 2025.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Roll Call.
Hart- Present
Moran- Present
Kowalski- Present
Veihl- Present
Stacey Porter- Present
Annette Porter- Present
4. Approval of Agenda - Amendment; Remove item 8 (return to closed session) move item 7a to item 6.
Moran moved to approve the amended agenda, supported by Veihl. All in favor.
Motion carried.
5. Citizens Present Public Comment Time - For Agenda Items Only.
None
6. School Board Vacancy Interviews.
John Kaszonyi-Interview held
Annette Porter moved to approve John Kaszonyi to fill vacant board seat, supported by Moran. Roll call vote:
Moran- yes, Kowalski- yes, Veihl- yes, Annette Porter- yes, Stacey Porter- yes, Hart- Yes. Hart, "Welcome aboard".
7. Information Items.
 - a. Superintendent's Update
Mr. Bauer spoke about the current special education director vacancy and its requirements.
Mr. Bauer also spoke to the previous Superintendent salaries and what would be a reasonable offer to the upcoming position.

8. Special Agenda Item.

- a. MLI Superintendent Search Discussion - Dr. John Scholten, Search Consultant attached.

9. Board Member Comments/Correspondence.

Hart- Hart said he found a few citizens interested in joining our committees.

Policy Committee - Les Nixon and Vanessa Dean

Safety Committee- Veronica Norman and Jessica Chandler.

Hart also asked for confirmation of dates for Mr. Bauer's permit extension expiration to put rumors to rest.

Moran- Mr Hart, you run a good meeting and I appreciate your service.

Kowalski- None

Veihl- None

Stacey Porter- None

Annette Porter- None

10. Citizen Present Public Comment Time.

None

11. Adjournment.

Annette Porter moved to adjourn at 7:26p.m., supported by Moran. All in favor. Motion carried.



Secretary, Board of Education

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mike Hart
Lorrie Kowalski
Annette Porter
Thomas Moran
Lain Veihl
Stacey Porter

ADMINISTRATION

Dan Bauer, Interim Superintendent
Robin Benson, Elementary Principal
Bryan Pyle, Secondary Principal

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