

**FAIRVIEW AREA SCHOOLS' BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
MARCH 9, 2011**

A special meeting of the Fairview Area Schools' Board of Education was held on Wednesday evening, March 9, 2011 in the elementary media center.

Board President Beth Miller called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Beth Miller, Diana Danhoff, Chris Neff, Kirk Peterson, Randy Shantz, Merianne Tappan, and Anne Tompkins

ABSENT: None

Several staff members were also present.

I. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by Board consensus.

II. Public Comment – None

III. NEW BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS

A. Superintendent / K-12 Principal Candidate Second Interviews (via Skype)

The Board chose to invite three candidates for a second interview to be conducted via Skype; an online video calling service. The interviews were conducted as follows:

- 5:05 p.m. – 5:53 p.m. – Loren Vannest
- 6:05 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. – Linda Hamrick
- 7:05 p.m. – 7:55 p.m. – Robert Ricketson

During the second round of interviews, each candidate was asked approximately 20 to 25 personalized questions by the Board. The public was also given an opportunity to ask questions of each candidate. After a short break the president called for public comment, at which time several members of the teaching staff gave their impressions of the candidates and the reasons for those impressions. The audience thanked the Board for giving them the opportunity to be involved in the interview and feedback process.

B. Determination of Candidate Preference Order

The Board discussed the candidates and the qualifications each offers for the position of Superintendent / K-12 Principal. The Board was then asked to determine their first, second and third choice.

	<u>First Choice</u>	<u>Second Choice</u>	<u>Third Choice</u>
Tappan:	Ricketson, Robert	Hamrick, Linda	Vannest, Loren
Shantz:	Hamrick, Linda	Ricketson, Robert	Vannest, Loren
Neff:	Hamrick, Linda	Ricketson, Robert	Vannest, Loren
Miller:	Ricketson, Robert	Vannest, Loren	Hamrick, Linda
Tompkins:	Ricketson, Robert	Vannest, Loren	Hamrick, Linda
Danhoff:	Ricketson, Robert	Hamrick, Linda	Vannest, Loren
Peterson:	Ricketson, Robert	Vannest, Loren	Hamrick, Linda

III. NEW BUSINESS – ACTION ITEMS, (Con’t.)

B. Determination of Candidate Preference Order, (Con’t.)

The Board’s first choice was Robert Ricketson and second choice was Linda Hamrick. If Mr. Ricketson does not accept the position or if negotiations fail, Dr. Hamrick will be offered the position.

Shantz/ Peterson That Robert Ricketson be offered the position of Superintendent / K-12 Principal. If Mr. Ricketson does not accept the position or if negotiations fail, the offer will be presented to Dr. Linda Hamrick.

Ayes – 7; Nays – 0

Motion carried.

C. Set Parameters for Contract Structure

The Negotiations Team will meet to construct a draft contract based on the Board’s recommendations.

D. Authorization for Negotiations Team

This item has been tabled until a draft contract is presented to and approved by the Board. The Board set a target date of March 14, 2011.

E. Set Date/Time for Negotiations Meeting

The Negotiations Team will meet Monday, March 14, 2011, prior to the monthly board meeting.

IV. Closing Public Comments / Board Comments

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Board Comment: TNA guns has offered to donate a used rifle for the Eagle Spirit/Eagle Pride auction. ES/SP is seeking approval to have the gun on the premises for the time of the auction. The gun will be unloaded and have a trigger lock in place. A call will be placed to the school’s attorney to discuss the matter.

The president adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Diana Danhoff, Board Secretary