

MINUTES
DAVIE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2018

The Davie County Board of Education met at 11:30am, October 25, 2018, in the Board Room of the Central Davie Education Center, 220 Martin Luther King Jr. Road, Mocksville, NC.

Board Members Present:

Clint Junker, Chairman
Wendy Horne, Vice-Chair
Barbara Owens
Dub Potts
Terry Hales

Board Members Absent:

Chad Fuller
Paul Drechsler

Staff Present:

Dr. Darrin Hartness, Superintendent
Jeff Wallace, Associate Superintendent
Jill Wilson, Board Attorney
Elle King, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and Board of Education

Chairman Junker called the meeting to order at 11:35am.

Barbara Owens made the motion, seconded by Terry Hales, to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Search Discussion

Dr. Hartness reflected on the process of participating in a superintendent search led by the North Carolina School Boards Association. Dr. Hartness reiterated the professionalism, confidentiality, and quality candidates that the Davie County Board of Education can expect from Alison Schafer and her staff at NCSBA.

Dr. Hartness and the Board discussed the process of applications, interviews, and overall scope of the upcoming process. The Board asked questions about what to expect.

Dr. Hartness gave advice about how candidates will also be interviewing the Board and the importance of finding the right fit - before departing the meeting to give the Board and opportunity to meet with Ms. Schafer.

NCSBA Process to Find a New Superintendent for Davie County Schools

Ms. Schafer thanked the Board for their decision to hire NCSBA to conduct the superintendent search.

Ms. Schafer presented the expected timeline of posting the position, receiving electronic applications, and suggested a post-holiday application deadline. Dub Potts made a motion to approve the timeline outlined by Ms. Schafer; Terry Hales seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

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Sam Thorp went through the wording of the advertisement highlighting the excellent schools in Davie County and the attractive features and strong values of the community. The Board made some suggestions and edits. Barbara Owens made a motion to use the advertisement with suggestions made by the Board. Wendy Horne seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

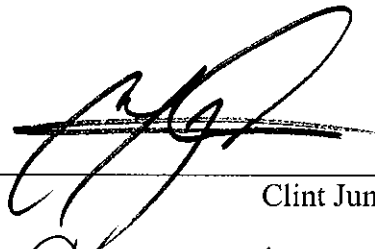
Ms. Schafer presented possibilities for where to advertise the Davie County Schools' superintendent position. Dub Potts made a motion to approve the advertising options including posting the position with the American Association of School Administrators for 60 days for a \$799 fee. Terry Hales provided the second. The motion passed 5-0.

The Board then discussed potential questions to include on the application, essay questions, and questions to save for the interviews. Barbara Owens made a motion to approve the questions to be included on the electronic application. Terry Hales seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

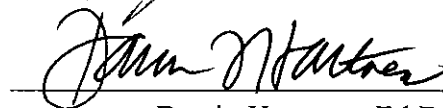
Lastly, the Board discussed the best possibilities for receiving input from the community for feedback and suggestions in the search for a new superintendent. Ms. Schafer presented two options for the two different surveys – one for DCS' staff and one for parents and community members. Ms. Schafer explained the surveys would be posted online, emailed to parents, and be made available in hard copy throughout the community. Ms. Schafer offered great suggestions on getting feedback and discussed goals for getting an appropriate number of responses. Chairman Junker and the Board spoke of the importance of getting community groups such as school PTAs, different local law enforcement agencies, the Davie County Chamber of Commerce, and local businesses involved. Dub Potts made a motion to approve survey number one to be used for Davie County Schools' staff and survey number one to be used for the community. Barbara Owens seconded the motion; the motion carried 5-0.

Adjourn

Terry Hales made the motion to adjourn with a second from Barbara Owens; the motion was approved with a 5-0 vote. The meeting adjourned at 12:50pm.



Clint Junker, Chairman



Darrin Hartness, Ed.D., Secretary

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Approved: 11/13/2018