

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 625
Saint Paul, Minnesota
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
January 12, 2011

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:09 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Ms. Carroll, Mr. Hardy, Ms. Street-Stewart, Mr. Brodrick and Ms. O'Connell

ABSENT: Ms. Kong-Thao

III. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

A. First Interviews of Applicants for the Vacant Seat on the Board of Education

MOTION: Ms. Carroll moved approval of the order of the agenda for the meeting. Seconded by Ms. O'Connell.

The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Carroll	Yes
Mr. Hardy	Yes
Ms. Street-Stewart	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	Yes
Ms. O'Connell	Yes

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Interviews

The Board interview 32 individuals who had applied to fill the position vacated by Director Vallay Varro. Each individual was allowed five minutes to answer the following two questions which had been posed by the Board:

- Why do you want to serve on the Board for this short appointment?
- What relevant experience and significant community connections would you bring to the Board? Please be specific about what your unique contribution/perspective would be.

B. Selection of Candidates for Second Interviews

Upon completion of the interviews, the Board asked the Assistant Clerk to tally the scores given for each interview. Upon completion of the tally, the summary was supplied to the Board members. Board members took time to review the tally and then made the following motion:

MOTION: Ms. Carroll moved the Board of Education approve the following ten persons to return for a second interview on February 2, 2011 at 5:00 p.m: Ted Davis, Amy Walker Filice, Anne Kelly, Neng Lee, Tim Lee, David Martinez, Luis Ortega, Dave Pinto, Jeff Risberg and Avinash Viswanathan. Motion seconded by Mr. Hardy.

The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Carroll	Yes
Mr. Hardy	Yes
Ms. Street-Stewart	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	Yes
Ms. O'Connell	Yes

The Assistant Clerk was instructed to send an email announcing the Board's decision to all applicants and to follow it up with a letter the following day.

V. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: **Ms. O'Connell moved, seconded by Ms. Carroll, the meeting adjourn.**

The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Ms. Carroll	Yes
Mr. Hardy	Yes
Ms. Street-Stewart	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	Yes
Ms. O'Connell	Yes

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

For clarity and to facilitate research, these minutes reflect the order of the original Agenda and not necessarily the time during the meeting the items were discussed.

Prepared and submitted by
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