

CLAIBORNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

MINUTES OF SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

February 29, 2024

The Claiborne Parish School Board met in a special called session at the Claiborne Parish School Board office in Homer, Louisiana at 5:00 p.m., on February 29, 2024, with the following members:

Present: Patricia Stevens, Stewart Griffin, William Maddox, Linda Knox, Yolanda Coleman, Perry Anderson, David Nokes, Mark Perot

Absent: Tommy Davidson

Mr. Anderson, Board President, opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Anderson stated the Board may enter into executive session to discuss the professional competency of a person pursuant to La R.S.42:17(A)(1). No motion was made to enter into executive session.

Mr. Anderson opened discussion on considering superintendent applicants to be interviewed. Mr. Mardis made a motion to interview all three (3) of the candidates. Motion was seconded by Mr. Nokes. Motion passed by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no.

Mr. Anderson stated agenda item numbers 6 and 7 could possibly be combined of considering a timeline for applicant interviews and discussing the selection process, such as the voting procedures and notice to candidates and other related issues. Mr. Neal Johnson, Board Attorney, recommended scheduling interviews 30 minutes to an hour apart and holding a Special Called Meeting either the same day as interviews or within a day. Motion was made by Ms. Stevens to have interviews on Tuesday, March 19th, 2024, beginning at 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 1:30 p.m. and also holding a Special Called Meeting the same date at 5:00 p.m. Ms. Knox seconded the motion. Motion passed by a roll call vote of 5 yays, 4 nays.

	YAYS	NAYS	ABSTAINED	ABSENT
Patricia Stevens	X			
Stewart Griffin	X			
William Maddox	X			
Linda Knox	X			
Yolanda Coleman		X		
Perry Anderson	X			
Tommy Davidson				X
Roy Mardis		X		
David Nokes		X		
Mark Perot		X		

Mr. Johnson answered questions regarding the ballot process and other questions from the Board in selecting a new superintendent. Mr. Mardis stated his concern in interviewing candidates and having a Special Called meeting in the same day. After more discussion and concerns, a motion was made by Ms. Stevens to rescind the previous motion to schedule the interviews at 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 1:30 p.m. on March 19th, 2024, and hold a Special Called Meeting on the same date at 5:00 p.m. Motion was seconded by Ms. Knox. Motion to rescind the previous motion passed by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no. A motion to set the interviews for Tuesday, March 19th, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m., and 4:00 p.m. and

have a Special Called Meeting on Wednesday, March 20th at 8:00 a.m. was made by Ms. Stevens, seconded by Mr. Mardis. Motion passed by a vote of 9 yes, 0 no.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Perry Anderson, President
Claiborne Parish School Board

ATTEST:

Mr. William Kennedy, Secretary
Claiborne Parish School Board