

FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS  
1200 SOUTH CLINTON STREET  
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA 46802

6:02 p.m.

June 17, 2024

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

The Board of School Trustees of the Fort Wayne Community Schools met in for a special session in the Lester L. Grile Administrative Center on Monday, June 17, 2024, at 6:02 p.m. President Maria Norman, with there being no speakers on Public Comment Regarding Agenda Topics, called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and the following members in attendance:

Roll Call

Members present: Maria Norman, Chairperson  
Stephen Corona  
Anne Duff  
Julie Hollingsworth  
Jennifer Matthias  
Noah Smith

Members absent: None

Vacant Seat: District 4

Appointment  
of Fourth  
District  
Board  
Member

The following recommendation concerning the Appointment of Fourth District Board Member was presented:

**RECOMMENDATION:** It was recommended that the Board appoint a candidate to replace District 4 Board Member Rohli Booker who resigned from the Board effective May 20, 2024. This term expires December 31, 2026.

**RELATED INFORMATION:** On May 23, 2024, the Board advertised that it was taking applications from FWCS District 4 residents to fill Ms. Booker's vacated seat. When the application period ended on June 3, there were four applicants who met the qualifications: reside in District 4 for at least one year, registered to vote in District 4 and at least 21 years old. On June 11 and 12, the Board met in public session to interview Tyler Bowers, Heather Miller, Antonette Payne and Alexandria Stalter. After nominations, each nominee will be voted upon by the Board in the order of nomination. Four "yes" votes are required to appoint a nominee.

Anne Duff nominated Antonette Payne, seconded by Noah Smith. Board members shared comments on why they thought Ms. Payne would make the best replacement for the 4<sup>th</sup> district seat. No other names were nominated; however, Board members thanked all candidates for coming forward. They all had impressive resumes and did well on their interviews. The Board encouraged the other candidates to become involved at FWCS.

Roll call vote for Antonette Payne: Steve Corona, yes; Julie Hollingsworth, yes; Jennifer Matthias, yes; Anne Duff, yes; Maria Norman, yes; and Noah Smith, yes. With 4 yes votes being made there was no need to continue voting, but the remaining members continued to vote.

Antonette Payne, by a 6-0 margin, was appointed to the 4th district seat effective immediately.

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Meeting

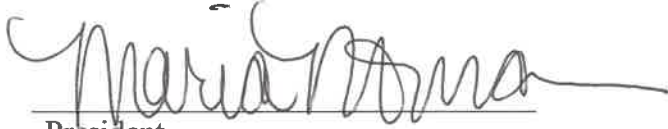
The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Monday, June 24, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. in the Lester L. Grile Administrative Center.

Signatures

No signatures were requested.

Adjournment  
and Dismissal

There being no further business and no general public comment, upon a motion by Noah Smith, seconded by Steve Corona, the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.



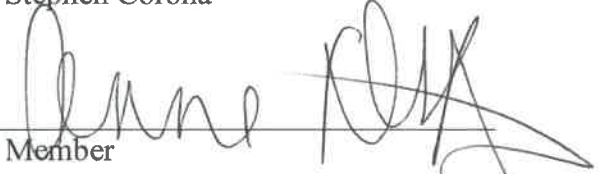
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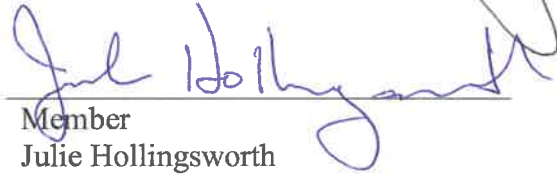
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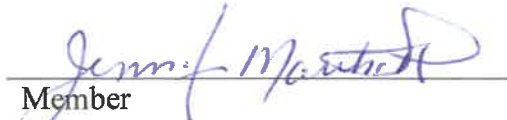
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