

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 625
Saint Paul, Minnesota
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Administration Building
360 Colborne Street

MAY 10, 2005

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Ms. Street-Stewart, Chair.

II. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mr. Oertwig, Mr. Brodrick, Ms. Street-Stewart, Ms Carroll, Mr. Conlon, Ms. Kong-Thao and Ms. Polsfuss, Secretary to the Board of Education

III. THE AGENDA

Ms. Street-Stewart announced the meeting had been called for the express purpose of conducting the first interviews of applicants to fill the vacant position on the Board of Education, indicating the position is an unexpired term that will be completed at the January meeting of the School Board. She then proceeded to review the procedures that would be utilized for the interviews. She indicated that two of the applicants had withdrawn their names from consideration leaving 15 individuals to be interviewed at the meeting.

The applicants each spoke to the questions presented to them in an earlier mailing:

1. Why do you want to serve on the Board for this short appointment?
2. What relevant experience would you bring to the Board?
3. Select one major educational issue of immediate relevance to SPPS, and explain how you would work with the Board and stakeholders to address this issue during your term.

The following individuals were interviewed at this meeting:

- Joseph Landsberger
- William K. Finney
- Catherine A. Rajtar
- Gilbert de la O
- Andrew J. Dawkins
- Mary Petrie
- Brian Joyce
- Jennifer Armstrong
- Kenneth Turner, Jr.
- Erma E. McGuire
- David Downing
- Cristy DeLaCruz
- Jeff Koon
- Charissa Bryant
- Angela Burkhalter

Upon completion of the last interview, Ms. Street-Stewart thanked all the applicants for their participation and interest in the position. She then reviewed the remaining steps which would be completed to reach a final decision. On May 17 the Board will hold a special Board meeting to select the candidates for a second interview; on May 23, at another special Board meeting, the Board will conduct second interviews with selected candidates and then proceed to make their final choice.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Ms. Kong-Thao moved adjournment, seconded by Ms. Carroll.

The motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

Mr. Oertwig	Yes
Mr. Brodrick	Yes
Ms. Street-Stewart	Yes
Ms. Carroll	Yes
Mr. Conlon	Yes
Ms. Kong-Thao	Yes

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

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

Prepared and submitted by
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