

Special Meeting

KILLINGLY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Thursday, August 27, 2020

7:00 PM

Town Hall, 172 Main Street

MINUTES

Present: Mr. Doug Farrow, Greg Biggs, Janice Joly, Jason Muscara, Kyle Napierata, Lydia Rivera-Abrams and Chris Viens.

Participation Via Zoom: Norm Ferron, Hoween Flexer, Lydia Rivera-Abrams and Chris Viens.

Others Present Via Zoom: Interim Superintendent Dr. Diane Summa, Assistant Superintendent, Paul Brenton and Keely Doyle, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Killingly Board of Education Chair, Mr. Doug Farrow called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL-see above

3. PUBLIC COMMENT- No comments

4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING HIRING A CONSULTANT FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

Four proposals for a superintendent search were made available for Board member to review. Dr. Summa shared that the final decision will be left to the Board.

MOTION: by Mr. Muscara, seconded by Ms. Rivera-Abrams to hire the services of JE Consultant for a superintendent search.

Roll Call Vote

YES-8, Janice Joly, Norm Ferron, Hoween Flexer, Jason Muscara, Kyle Napierata, Lydia Rivera-Abrams, Chris Viens, and Doug Farrow

Abstain (Mr. Biggs)

Motion Carries

Dr. Summa shared that because of Mr. Erardis' previous experience as a Killingly High School principal, he is very familiar the Killingly school district and the area. JE Consultants proposal, including timelines and services offered will fit the needs of the district.

Dr. Summa reiterated that former superintendent, Steve Rioux suggested JE Consultant but she is only making a recommendation at this time and it ultimately up to the Board to make the final decision.

Ms. Rivera-Abrams shared some of concerns with some of the other consultant's proposals.

Ms. Flexer shared that although JE Consultant has the ability to perform a superintendent search well, she does not agree with Board's procedures and process in how consultants were considered for a superintendent search. She asked Mr. Farrow to provide more information regarding how the process was determined.

Mr. Biggs asked if it was possible to obtain how many districts have employed JE Consulting and if those districts were satisfied with the results. Dr. Summa shared that Mr. Erardi has performed many successful superintendent searches but she will try to get information from other districts.

MOTION: by Ms. Rivera-Abrams, seconded by Ms. Joly to direct the Killingly Board of Education Chair to enter into contract with JE Consultants for a superintendent search.

Roll Call Vote

YES-8, Janice Joly, Norm Ferron, Hoween Flexer, Jason Muscara, Kyle Napierata, Lydia Rivera-Abrams, Chris Viens, and Doug Farrow.

Abstain, Greg Biggs

Motion Carries

5. UPDATE ON EFFICIENCY LIGHTING

Dr. Summa shared that the installation of LED lights at KIS and KHS is complete.

Dr. Summa met with consultants from Eversouce for LED installations remaining at GECC, KMS and KCS.

Installation of LED lights at KMS and KCS is scheduled to begin October. Installation at GECC would begin in November.

Dr. Summa said the work for installing the LED lights would be performed after 5:00 or 6:00 p.m. so as not to disrupt student learning or staff. If this schedule does not work out for staff, work can also be done on weekends. The company will clean and sanitize daily and after the job is complete.

There is no additional cost for work being performed after hours or on the weekends.

6. ADJOURN

MOTION: by Mr. Muscara, seconded by Ms. Flexer to adjourn at 7:21 p.m.

Unanimous

Motion Carries

Respectfully submitted by,

Keely Doyle

Recording Secretary