**April 13, 2020**

A special meeting of the Sidney Public Schools Board of Trustees was held Monday, April 13, 2020 at 9:30 AM at the Administration Office, 101 S Central Avenue, available by Microsoft TEAMS, Facebook livestream or via conference call on posted notice by the clerk for the purpose of conducting superintendent interviews. Present were Trustees Ben Thogersen, Jon Marker, Kelly Dey, Lisa Gorder and Craig Steinbeisser. Attending via Microsoft TEAMS were Trustee Randy Iversen, MTSBA attorney- Debra Silk and superintendent candidate, Brent Sukut. Also in attendance was District Clerk- Nicole Beyer.

At 9:30 AM Chairman Thogersen called the meeting to order. Members of the public participated by conference call.

The meeting proceeded with Chairman Thogersen asking the candidate, Brent Sukut, the prepared interview questions.

Following the interview, the meeting was recessed until the second interview scheduled for 1:00 PM.

Chairman Thogersen reconvened the meeting at 1:00 PM for the interview of Jon Skinner. Present were Trustees Ben Thogersen, Jon Marker, Kelly Dey and Lisa Gorder. Present via Microsoft TEAMS were Trustees Randy Iversen and Craig Steinbeisser and MTSBA attorney, Debra Silk. Also in attendance was District Clerk, Nicole Beyer. Members of the public participated by conference call.

The meeting proceeded with Chairman Thogersen asking the candidate, Jon Skinner, the prepared interview questions.

Following the interview, the meeting was recessed until Tuesday, April 14, 2020 at 1:00 PM for the third and final interview.

Chairman Thogersen reconvened the meeting at 1:00 PM on the 14th for the interview of Robert Smith. Present were Trustees Ben Thogersen, Jon Marker, Kelly Dey, Craig Steinbeisser and Lisa Gorder. Present via Microsoft TEAMS were Trustees Randy Iversen and MTSBA attorney, Debra Silk. Also in attendance was District Clerk, Nicole Beyer. Members of the public participated by conference call.

The meeting proceeded with Chairman Thogersen asking the candidate, Robert Smith, the prepared interview questions.

At 1:36 PM, following the interview with Mr. Smith,Chairman Thogersen announced that the next matter to come before the Board was a personal matter and that he had determined as follows: 1) that the matter of the individual’s privacy is involved; 2) that such privacy demands protection of the individual for the sake of reputation, and otherwise, little, if anything, could be gained by publicly disclosing the information to be discussed; and 3) that the demand for privacy in this matter clearly exceeds the merits of public disclosure. Therefore, he called for an executive session for the purpose of discussing candidate background checks.

Chairman Thogersen reconvened the meeting at 2:25 PM. Ms. Dey moved to offer the position of superintendent to Brent Sukut. Mr. Steinbeisser seconded the motion. Trustees commented in favor of naming Mr. Sukut as superintendent. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Dey moved to offer a three year contract at $118,000 per year to Brent Sukut, Mr. Steinbeisser seconded the motion. The motion passed 6 to 0.

Ms. Dey moved to have Debra Silk with MTSBA extend the offer on behalf of the Trustees. The motion passed unanimously following a second by Mr. Steinbeisser.

Mr. Steinbeisser moved to have Debra Silk conduct further contract negotiations with Mr. Sukut on behalf of the Trustees. Mr. Marker provided the second and the motion passed 6 to 0.

With no further business to come before the Trustees, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 PM.

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Board Chair

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District Clerk