



WEBSTER GROVES SCHOOL DISTRICT
Open Minutes from the Special Meeting of the Board of Education
Wednesday, July 15, 2015
Central Office Board Room
400 East Lockwood Avenue
Webster Groves, Missouri 63119

CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 15, 2015, by its president, David Addison. The following members were present:

David Addison	President
Amy Clendennen	Vice President
Emerson Smith	
Steve Loher	
Jean Dugan	
Joel Oliver	(dialed in from 7:05-7:10pm)
Michael Shipley	

Also present was:

Jane Baumgartner	Secretary
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AGENDA

Mrs. Dugan moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried 6-0.

SUPERINTENDENT
SEARCH FIRM
DISCUSSION

Mr. Addison reviewed the process for seeking out and receiving proposals from a variety of search firms. There were three final firms to be discussed, along with the option of performing the search as a Board. The Board discussed all 4 options, weighing pros and cons of each. Mr. Addison polled the board to first determine whether or not to hire a search firm to complete this process. It was unanimously decided that hiring a firm was necessary for the scope of the work that is expected to be completed. Each Board member offered his/her opinion based on the three firms who interviewed and were invited to resubmit revised proposals. A formal vote was taken by ballot and the search firm of McPherson Jacobson received the most official votes of 4. Although Joel Oliver was not in attendance, he sent his vote via email, which would have totaled 5 votes for McPherson Jacobson.

Ms. Clendennen moved, seconded by Mr. Loher, that the Board of Education approve McPherson Jacobson to conduct a comprehensive search for the next Superintendent of Schools for the Webster Groves School District. Mr. Loher, yes; Mr. Smith, yes; Mrs. Dugan, yes; Ms. Clendennen, yes; Mr. Shipley, yes; Mr. Addison, yes. Motion passed 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Loher moved, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:35 p.m. The motion carried 6-0.

President

Secretary

