

**PIONEER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 402
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Date of Meeting: February 4, 2022
Time of Meeting: 6:30 p.m.
Virtual Meeting: Virtual Link
Board President: Dr. Day

Dr. Day called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. A quorum was established with all five board members attending virtually.

The following staff and community members joined the meeting remotely. Trisha Amundson, Abigail Ashcraft, Rene Baze, Kathy Beaudoin, Hannah Bennett, Connie Bingham, Chris Bishop, Doris Bolender, Rana Brown, Tami Brown, Kamala Budge, Amy Byykkonen, Sherrie Cadle, Lynn Chakos, Tawnya Chemers, Cicely Conklin, Amy Dahlberg, Eric Dahlberg, Scott Dakers, Caroline Davenport, Dan Deacon, Katie Deacon, Kristin DeLegglis, Donna DeMott, Stephen Derick, Tami DuBois, Amanda Eagle, Elizabeth Earles, Susan Felton, Shelly Gable, Shaylynn Gould, Becky Guilford, Laura hall, Darla Hylton, Todd Inlow, Kris Jonker, Morgan Jump, Teri King, Amy Koster, Jeanette Leach, Aaron Leth, Amy Lindsey, Bobbi Lipke, Barb Love, Danielle May, Brittany Montano, Shawn Montano, Izzy Oleson, Vikki Omdahl, Hillary Paul, Joan Pauly, Kathleen Peck, Deneen Phelan, Kimberly Powell, Josh Reese, Margie Rolfs, Brenda Roth, Jason Rowe, Devin Rubino-Shepard, Liz Rusher, Artemia Settle, Laura Smith, Lloyd Smith, Val Smith, Stacie Stoney, Courtney Summers, Stephanie Terry, Megan Thurston, Nicole Toy, Kirsten Tratnick, Matt Urban, Jessie VanAagten, Susan Vincent, Angie Vos, Terry Weeden, Lisa Wilkes, Tonya Youngquist and Lynne Zamzow.

Dr. Day announced the Board would be going into Executive Session for 30 minutes to review the performance of a public employee. The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:02 PM.

Mr. Clark moved to place Superintendent Jill Diehl on administrative leave effective immediately. Mr. Lee seconded the motion. Chair Day called a roll call vote:

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| Mr. Kipple - Abstain | Mr. Clark - Yes | Mr. Lee - Yes |
| Dr. Schlitz - Yes | Dr. Day - Yes | |

The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

Mr. Lee moved to appoint Doris Bolender as Acting Superintendent effective immediately. Mr. Clark seconded the motion. Chair Day called for a roll call vote:

Mr. Kipple - Abstain
Dr. Schlitz - Yes

Mr. Clark - Yes
Dr. Day - Yes

Mr. Lee - Yes

The motion carried four (4) to zero (0).

Public Comments

Tawnya Chemers - Questions

- a. Board why was Jill on admin leave
- b. Please define Interim vs Acting
- c. Grounds for placing on leave
- d. Will she be paid while on administrative leave
- e. Why Doris Bolender as acting superintendent
- f. Why is Dwayne abstaining vs giving his opinion

Deneen Phelan - Thank you for listening to the staff and doing the investigation. I appreciate the communication from the Board.

Connie Bingham - While Doris is acting superintendent, will she be receiving help as principal because our middle school teachers need support?

Dan Deacon - As Union representation, we appreciate the opportunity to be heard. We understand this is not the end result. You know we are committed to trying to make this collaborative and that we do everything we can to support the district. We're here to give our support and to help in any way we can.

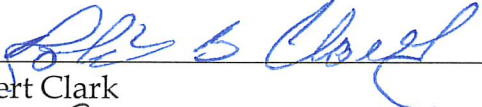
Doris Bolender - I am here to support Pioneer and am enjoying my time with the middle school. Right now, I'm just filling in and want to be sure we cover the bases we need to cover. Connie raises a good point; let's make sure all bases are getting covered. I have 100% confidence in the middle school group to end on a great note. We will pull together. And I'm willing to help in any way I can.

Connie Bingham - Is Jill on administrative leave indefinitely? When is the next step toward looking for a superintendent? I want to be sure we respect the timeline for hiring a new superintendent.

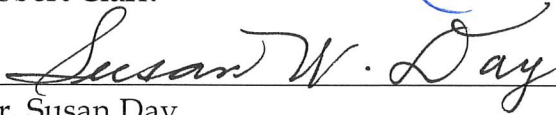
Mr. Clark moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 PM. Mr. Lee seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

APPROVED THIS 22nd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2022




Robert Clark



Dr. Susan Day


Dwayne Kipple



Richard Lee



Dr. Stephanie Schlitz

ATTEST: 

Doris Bolender, Secretary to the Board of Directors

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