

MINUTES, BOWLER BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL SESSION – May 25, 2017

Board Approved With Correction June 19, 2017

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Joe Miller at 6:00 p.m. It was certified that the meeting was given proper notice. Roll call was taken with the following board members present: Miller, Fuerst, Smith, Rigsby, Maves and Thiex. Also present were Faith Gagnon, District Administrator; Kim Ninabuck, 7-12 Principal; Wade Turner, Elementary Principal; Linda Brend, District Accountant and Bonnie Matz, District Secretary

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Rigsby to approve the meeting agenda. Motion carried.

Public Recognition:

None

Committee Reports:

The Executive Committee met on May 22, 2017. Dennis Richards from Wisconsin Association of School Boards (WASB) attended the meeting. Mr. Richards presented a proposal to help the District in their search for a new superintendent. The Executive Committee is bringing this recommendation to the Board for approval.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Motion by Thiex, seconded by Fuerst to approve selecting Wisconsin Association of School Board Search Services to assist the district in the search for a new superintendent and assist with the transition. Discussion was held concerning the cost of the service, the schedule of dates to progress through the process and the forming of focus groups. A conference call with Dennis Richards was held and the Board was given the opportunity to comment and ask questions. Mr. Richards suggested that we form focus groups of teachers, support staff, administration and community. Motion carried.

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Grosskopf to approve Robert Schroeder as 7-12 special education teacher. It was explained that because of the shortage of special education teachers, Mr. Schroeder will apply for an emergency license for three years after which he must be certified to teach in the area of special education.

Discussion was held on securing a new person for special education leadership for the district. Mrs. Gagnon shared with the Board that there is no need for a full-time special education director. She also explained the needs of the district in the area of special education. Mrs. Gagnon recommended that the district increase Marilyn Janke to three days a week. It was pointed out the Mrs. Janke is certified for this position.

Motion by Grosskopf, seconded by Thiex to rescind the previous motion from May 15, 2017 to post for a Special Education Director and to go along with the recommendation of administration and hire Marilyn Janke at 60% as special education director. Motion carried.

Motion by Fuerst, seconded by Grosskopf to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. (6:54 p.m.)
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Bonnie Matz, District Secretary

