

Minutes of the August 5, 2019 Special Meeting of the Shippensburg Area Board of School Directors held in the Middle School Cafeteria, 101 Park Place, Shippensburg, PA 17257.

OPENING

Call to Order

Dr. David Lovett called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

On roll call, the following members were present: Dr. David Lovett, President; Mrs. Susan Spicka, Vice President; Mrs. Erica Burg (via telephone conference call); Dr. Nathan Goates; Dr. Michael Lyman; Mr. Hunter Merideth; Mrs. Tracy Montoro; and Mr. Charles Suders. Dr. Geno Torri was absent.

Others present were: Mrs. Sheri Woodall, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment; Mrs. Teri Mowery, Shippensburg Area Intermediate School Principal; Mrs. Bernadette Benbow, Shippensburg Area Middle School Principal; Mrs. Tina Clever, Human Resources Director; Mr. Jared Ford, Chartwell's Food Service Director for the Shippensburg Area School District; Mr. Michael Montedoro, Athletic/Transportation Director; Mr. Joseph Wachter, Director of Operations and Maintenance; Mr. Andrew Milone, The News Chronicle; parents; teachers; concerned citizens; and Mrs. Cristy Lentz, Business Administrator/Board Secretary.

Agenda Approval

Dr. Lovett asked if there were any changes or amendments to tonight's agenda.

Mrs. Woodall stated there are no changes to tonight's agenda.

(Information)

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dr. Lovett announced there would be an Executive Session to discuss student and administrative issues at 7:04 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:14 p.m.

(Action)

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Suders, seconded by Montoro to approve the following Consent Agenda item:

Personnel

Administration

- Motion to appoint **Dr. Chris A. Suppo** as Superintendent of the Shippensburg Area School District at a salary of \$135,000 prorated for year one for a 3 year and 10 month term from September 9, 2019 to June 30, 2023. Pending final legal review of the contract, the Superintendent shall sign and execute a formal agreement in compliance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Public School Code of 1949, as amended, and Act 141 of 2012.

On roll call, all present voted yes to this Consent Agenda item.

(Information)

BOARD COMMENTS

Dr. Goates expressed gratitude for all of the work done during the Superintendent search. He thanked everyone for their thoughtfulness, collegiality, and consciousness throughout the process. He is super happy with the results.

Mr. Merideth welcomed Dr. Suppo to the district.

Dr. Lyman echoed the comments made by Dr. Goates. He stated it was a consensus decision and the search process was a lot of work but he was pleased with the outcome. He thanked his fellow Board Members for their hard work.

Dr. Lovett invited Dr. Suppo to make a few comments.

Dr. Suppo recognized the Superintendent search process was a long, rigorous, and engaging one. He stated he looks forward to coming to the Shippensburg Area School District. He thanked the Board, the community, the staff, and all others who participated in the Superintendent search process. He looks forward to engaging with the community, parents, students, staff, and the Board to create the shared vision of the District.

Dr. Lovett thanked the following for their help with the Superintendent search:

- Mrs. Clever, Human Resources Director, for all of her work in the process including but not limited to the screening of applications, working with the consultant, and the greeting of the interview candidates.
- Mrs. Tammy Pritchard, Superintendent's Secretary, for working with the consultant and other various aspects of the search
- Dr. Troy Stevens, Technology Director, for the technical assistance during the process.

- Faculty, Staff, and Administration for participating in the interview process
- Community Members for participating in the Community Meet and Greet
- The Board of School Directors for reviewing the applicant resumes, countless hours spent interviewing the candidates, their thoughtful consideration to every phase of the process, and their commitment to education.

Dr. Lovett commented he feels the Board of School Directors selected a candidate who is committed to the development of students and working as a member and partner of the community.

Dr. Lovett invited all in attendance to stay after the meeting for refreshments and to meet and greet Dr. Suppo.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Goates, seconded by Merideth to adjourn at 7:21 p.m.



Cristy Lentz
Board Secretary