

**WASHINGTON ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING - Special Meeting
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2022
CLOSED SESSION in the LIBRARY at 4:00 p.m.
APPROVED MINUTES**

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Meeting ID: 742 6366 7614 Passcode: BF4LtE

Agenda:

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance - President Amy Jorgenson called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Roll Call vote: Jorgenson-aye, Wagner-aye, Thielke-aye, Purinton-aye, Sorensen-aye. Approved 5-0. Other board members present: Mike Thielke, Sara Sorensen, Kirsten Purinton, Bob Wagner. Administrator of Business Services: Sue Cornell; Staff members: Zuzka Krueger, and Tim Verboomen; **All other meeting participants attended the meeting remotely using the Zoom platform;** Staff members: Alyssa Wagner, Michelle Welke, Margaret Foss, Marleen Ehrlich Johnson, Kayla Mann, Kaitlyn Stoller; Community Members: Jenni Verboomen, Steve Kretzmann, Martha Nerenhausen.
2. **MSP (Wagner/Thielke)** to approve the board agenda as posted. Approved 5-0.
3. Closed Session: The Board chose to not go into Closed Session.
Motion and roll call vote to go into closed session. Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) and (f) the Board of Education may move into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing an individual administrator contract. Roll Call vote:
Motion and roll call vote to end Closed Session and move into Open Session.
4. Open Session:
Kirsten Purinton shared the timeline of the administrator hire. At the end of January, the job was posted on WECAN for the principal/curriculum position. On February 15, the Employee Relations and Personnel Committee reviewed candidates resumes and licenses, the committee met again on 2/25 to review additional applicants, and the Board of Education narrowed down the list of 22 candidates for first round interviews. The many candidates were highly qualified, the decisions were difficult for the board members. The board was very pleased with the tremendous response to the posting. On March 9 and 10, the BOE conducted nine first round interviews via Zoom; and then the board narrowed the field to five candidates who were chosen for a second in-person interview. Two teachers, two parents, and two community members, and Administrator of Business Services, Sue Cornell, were asked to join the board members on the interview committee. One candidate declined a final interview because he had taken another job already. Four candidates were interviewed in-person by the whole interview committee on March 26. Each interview committee member was asked to submit their opinions on each of the candidates by March 28. The board members reviewed all the information from the interview committee's members on March 28. Amy Jorgenson shared that the first choice candidate was contacted, and accepted the job. Then, Amy Jorgenson and the school attorney worked on the contract, the board members reviewed the contract and offered suggestions for changes, the contract was finalized and agreed upon. A total of 28 highly qualified candidates applied for the position.
5. **MSP (Wagner/Sorensen)** to approve the hiring process as shared above. Approved 5-0.
6. **MSP (Purinton/Sorensen)** to approve the hire of Tim Verboomen for the principal/curriculum director position for the 2022-2024 school years. Approved 5-0.
7. **MSP (Thielke/Sorensen)** to approve the hire of Peter Barr, an independent contractor, to begin an assessment of the back parking lot, electrical, and water leak project. Approved 5-0.
8. **MSP (Wagner/Thielke)** to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 p.m. Approved 5-0.