

MINUTES

Jefferson High School Dist. 1
Special Meeting

August 23, 2010
Jefferson High School

Board members present:

Alan Erickson
Sabrina Steketee

Stan Senechal
Kathy Jackson

Lynne Bryant
Pat Lewis

Diane Lorenzen

Administrators present:

James Whealon, Superintendent

Lorie Carey, Clerk/Business Manager

Visitors:

CALL BOARD TO ORDER Ms. Steketee called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m. The pledge was said.

NEW BUSINESS

Vacant Positions. Mr. Whealon stated that with the vacancies created by the retirement of Mr. Kelly, the absence of Mr. Forbes and Mr. Dempsey, and the death of Ms. Thompson, the staff numbers wouldn't require the hiring of a principal for accreditation purposes. Even the replacement of one FTE or 1.5 FTE would put the staff numbers under the 18 FTE threshold. Mr. Whealon said that of the candidates interviewed, Ms. Tanya Getten possessed strength in working with students. In Turner, she had worked very hard to encourage students to pursue scholarships. All of her references were great and she was willing to pick up the library endorsement.

Mr. Senechal asked why the focus changed from looking for a Principal/Guidance Counselor. Mr. Whealon replied that the requirement of a principal existed at the beginning of the previous year and over the course of the summer, the changes made it unnecessary. Ms. Lorenzen expressed that it was the board's job to hire administration and the administration's job to recommend staff. Ms. Lorenzen moved to accept the administration's recommendation to hire Ms. Tanya Getten as the Guidance Counselor/Librarian. Ms. Jackson seconded the motion which passed 5/2 with Ms. Steketee and Mr. Senechal voting no.

Much discussion about the plan the board has for the school commenced including the need to continue pursuing additional administration support.

Ms. Lorenzen moved to accept administration's recommendation of Ms. Cathy Carey as the Woods instructor. Ms. Jackson seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Mr. Erickson moved to accept administration's recommendation of Mr. Dave Ramey as the Construction instructor. Ms. Lorenzen seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 a.m.

Chair, Jefferson High School Board

Clerk, Jefferson High School Board