

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EXECUTIVE SESSION
February 16, 2022

Members Present: Travis Beck, Jerry Drake, Jim Emerick, Linda Isgrigg, Isaac Pile, and Susan Smith

The board met in executive session before the regular board meeting. The only items discussed were as advertised.

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I. Call to Order

President Jim Emerick called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. in the Administration Office of Southwestern CSD of Shelby County.

II. New Business

A. Interview potential candidates for the open school board member position

Mr. Emerick explained to everyone in attendance how the interview process was to be conducted. He explained that all candidates would be asked to wait outside of the boardroom. Candidates would be called in one at a time and asked a series of questions, the same set of questions would be used for all candidates. The questions included:

- 1) How do you hope to help our corporation by becoming a board member?
- 2) What types of boards have you previously sat or currently sit on?
- 3) Do the board members have an active role in the day to day operations of the school corporation?
- 4) Would you be able to support a board decision that you were not in favor of?
- 5) Do you understand the role of the superintendent? Describe the superintendent's role
- 6) What motivates you to be a board member?
- 7) With one meeting per month, all school boards are limited in what they can do. How should a board decide what is most important?
- 8) Have you posted, liked, or shared any negative or misleading information on any social media platforms about the corporation, members of staff, or board members including administrators?
- 9) What are the most important responsibilities of a board member?

There were ten individuals who expressed interest in being chosen for the vacant board position. These included:

- 1) Paul Coffey
- 2) Rick Ramsey (did not attend meeting)
- 3) Derrek Tennell
- 4) Charity Elliott
- 5) Rachel Barlow
- 6) Mike DeArmitt

- 7) Michelle Tobias
- 8) C. J. Springer
- 9) Gabriel Babinec
- 10)Debbie Griffey (withdrew name)

III. Other
None

IV. School Board Member Comments
Mr. Emerick thanked everyone for their interest in the open board position. He stated that the board had some work to do to make their decision. Mr. Emerick shared that the board members were looking into finding a university search team that could help them with finding candidates for the superintendent's opening.

V. Adjournment
Mr. Emerick adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

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