

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 271
Bloomington, Minnesota

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
April 27, 2021**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, and there being a quorum present, the virtual Special Meeting of the School Board of Independent School District 271 was called to order by Chair Nelly Korman at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

Roll Call

Members Present: Nelly Korman, Chair; Dawn Steigauf, Vice Chair; Heather Starks, Clerk; Beth Beebe, Treasurer; Tom Bennett, Mia Olson, and Jim Sorum. Administration Present: Mary Burroughs, Rick Kaufman and Jenna Mitchler. Attorney Present: David Holman.

Approval of the Agenda

Nelly Korman moved, Tom Bennett seconded, to approve the agenda. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

Superintendent Search Process

Barb Dorn, Director of Leadership Development and Executive Search for MSBA, facilitated tonight's superintendent search planning meeting giving an overview of items for discussion and/or actions needed. A few highlights from the meeting: the online survey to identify areas of expertise, traits or skills and personal characteristics stakeholders believe the new superintendent must possess closes tonight at midnight. Currently, 1,074 responses have been received; one of the highest responses MSBA has received for superintendent searches they have conducted. Ms. Dorn reviewed the training for School Board members to conduct final interview(s) on May 5. The School Board determined the virtual meeting format and the process for inviting stakeholder group representatives for interview(s) on May 4, developed interview questions for finalist(s) interviews, and reviewed a possible interview schedule.

Tom Bennett moved, Mia Olson seconded, to extend offers of an interview to Candidates B and E. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

Chair Nelly Korman announced the names of the two finalists—Dr. Brian Sambreno and Dr. Eric Melbye.

The stakeholder group virtual interviews will be one hour at 5:00 pm and 6:15 pm on Tuesday, May 4. Barb Dorn will ask questions submitted by stakeholders prior to the meeting. Stakeholders will provide feedback on each finalist, which will be shared with the School Board prior to their interviews with the finalists on May 5. The special meeting for finalist interviews will begin at 3:00 pm on May 5. Interviews will be an hour. Upon completion of the interviews, the Board will take a 30-minute break followed by deliberations and selection of the finalist and determine the negotiations process.

All meetings of the School Board related to the superintendent search, including interview(s) are public meetings and will be carried live on BEC-TV.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the School Board, Nelly Korman moved, Beth Beebe seconded, to adjourn the Special Meeting. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Heather Starks, Clerk