MINNETONKA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #276 District Service Center 5621 County Road 101 Minnetonka, Minnesota

Minutes of March 22, 2022 School Board Special Meeting

The School Board of Minnetonka Independent School District #276 met in special session at 9:15 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22, 2022 in the Community Room at the District Service Center, 5621 County Road 101, Minnetonka, Minnesota. Chairperson Chris Vitale presided. Other Board members present were Mark Ambrosen, Katie Becker, Patrick Lee-O'Halloran, John Odom, Meghan Selinger and Lisa Wagner. Absent: Superintendent Dennis Peterson, ex officio.

1. AGENDA

Ambrosen moved, Selinger seconded, that the Board approve the agenda as presented. Upon vote being taken thereon, the motion carried unanimously.

2. APPROVAL OF SELECTION OF NEW SUPERINTENDENT

Wagner moved, Becker seconded, to approve Dr. Paul Imhoff, Superintendent of Upper Arlington Schools, OH as the District's new superintendent.

In the discussion that followed, Board member Wagner, the Chair of the Superintendent Search Sub-committee, shared that the Board had concluded its deliberations this evening. The two finalists were Ben Barton, Superintendent of Princeton, MN Public Schools, and Dr. Paul Imhoff, Superintendent of Upper Arlington Schools, OH. Mr. Barton had spent the day in the District on Monday, March 21, and had his second interview with the Board that evening, and Dr. Imhoff had spent the day in the District on Tuesday, March 22, and had his second interview with the Board prior to tonight's meeting. Board member Wagner noted that the Board had relied on the leadership profile from the search firm of BWP & Associates, that had been developed in conjunction with over 3,500 survey responses and 35+ focus groups in the District. The Board also utilized the Leader Talent Profile Summary developed by Humanex Ventures. The Board had deliberated earlier in the evening, and used the "fist to five" exercise to come to a consensus around Dr. Imhoff. She noted that both candidates had been outstanding in the interview process, and she thanked them both for participating in the process. She also thanked District staff members who had met with the candidates and taken them on tours of the District. The District's focus on excellence had resonated with both candidates, and the Board had been very fortunate to have these two incredible leaders to choose from.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the motion to approve Dr. Paul Imhoff as the new superintendent of Minnetonka Schools, effective July 1, 2022, carried unanimously.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Wagner moved, Becker seconded, adjournment at 9:21 p.m. Upon vote being taken thereon, the motion carried unanimously.

Lisa Wagner, Clerk