

**Snake River School Board of Trustees
Held at the Snake River District Office
103 South 900 West, Blackfoot, Idaho 83221
Wednesday, February 5, 2020**

1. WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Chairman Kent Miller called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board members present were Lon Harrington, Marci VanOrden, Bill Martin, Carol Hepworth and Kent Miller. Also attending was Superintendent David Kerns and Board Clerk Terisa Coombs. Misty Swanson from the Idaho School Board Association joined the meeting by telephone.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Carol Hepworth and seconded by Lon Harrington to approve the agenda as presented. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed 5-0.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Under Idaho Code 74-206 [1a] Discussion of candidates' qualifications for the position of Superintendent, Marci VanOrden motioned and Bill Martin seconded to go into Executive Session. A roll call vote was taken: Bill Martin, aye; Lon Harrington, aye; Marci VanOrden, aye; Carol Hepworth, aye; Kent Miller aye. Motion passed 5-0.

The board went into Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. Misty Swanson was present by telephone in executive session. Superintendent David Kerns and Board Clerk Terisa Coombs were also present in executive session. Discussion of candidates' qualifications for the position of Superintendent was discussed until 5:45 p.m.

IV. RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

It was moved by Lon Harrington and seconded by Carol Hepworth to return to Regular Session. All the board members voted aye. Motion passed 5-0.

The Board returned to Regular Session at 5:45 p.m.

V. ACTION ITEMS

a. Action Held from Executive Session regarding Position of Superintendent

Misty Swanson explained that at this point, the board has two finalists, Marvin Hansen and Mark Kress, and a motion needs to be made about which candidate they would like to move forward as superintendent. Trustee Hepworth expressed appreciation to both candidates. All board members thought that there were many good candidates. They also expressed appreciation to Misty Swanson at Idaho School Board Association for helping make the process transparent.

After much deliberation, Lon Harrington moved to offer the position of Superintendent of the Snake River School District to Mark Kress. Carol Hepworth seconded. A roll call vote was taken: Bill Martin, aye; Lon Harrington, aye; Marci VanOrden, aye; Carol Hepworth, aye; Kent Miller aye. Motion passed 5-0.

At this time, Chairman Miller called Mark Kress and offered the position to him and he accepted pending discussions with his board and with the Snake River School District. A press release will be written by the ISBA and given to the media.

b. Select District Designee to discuss Position Terms of Superintendent

It was moved by Lon Harrington and seconded by Marci VanOrden to appoint Bill Martin as the district designee to discuss position terms of the Superintendent and to report back to the board for ratification. All board members present voted aye. Motion passed 5-0.

VI. ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Lon Harrington and seconded by Bill Martin.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

Terisa Coombs
Clerk

Kent Miller
Chairman

02/11/2020
Date