

Minutes of Special Session Meeting

May 1, 2023

The Board of Education Summit Hill District 161

The special session meeting of the Board of Education of Summit Hill District 161 was held May 1, 2023 beginning 7:00 PM at the Administrative Center.

The meeting was called to order by Pro Tem Vice President Stefanie McCleish. Pro Tem Secretary Jim Martin called roll. Members in attendance were: Jim Martin, Joy Murphy, Katie Campbell, Stefanie McCleish, Amy Berk, Matthew Carey and John Winter. Others in attendance were: Dr. Paul McDermott, John Snipes, Leslie DeBoer and Julie Stearns, and members of the community.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Review of School Board Member Election Results of April 4, 2023

Mr. Martin read the consolidated election results of April 4, 2023

Name	Votes
Joy Murphy	1,206
Matthew Carey	1,158
John Winter	1,185

Welcome New Board Members

Mrs. McCleish welcomed new board members Joy Murphy, Matthew Carey and John Winter.

Oath of Office

All members of the Board stood and recited the Oath of Office for Board Members.

Election of Officers

Board President

Mr. Winter nominated Amy Berk as Board President. Mrs. Campbell nominated Jim Martin as Board President.

Mr. Martin called for a Roll Call Vote to have Amy Berk to serve as Board President of Summit Hill School District 161 until the meeting date to be determined in 2025. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Berk aye, Mrs. Campbell nay, Mrs. Murphy nay, Mr. Winter aye, Mr. Carey aye, Mrs. McCleish nay, Mr. Martin nay. Motion fails: 3 ayes, 4 nays.

Mr. Martin called for a Roll Call Vote to have Jim Martin serve as Board President of Summit Hill School District 161 until the meeting date to be determined in 2025. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Berk, nay, Mrs. Campbell aye, Mrs. Murphy aye, Mr. Winter nay, Mr. Carey nay, Mrs. McCleish aye, Mr. Martin aye. Motion carries: 4 ayes, 3 nays.

Board Vice President

Mr. Martin nominated Joy Murphy as Board Vice President. Mrs. Berk nominated Stefanie McCleish as Board Vice President.

Mr. Martin called for a Roll Call Vote to have Joy Murphy to serve as Board Vice President of Summit Hill School District 161 until the meeting date to be determined in 2025. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Berk, nay, Mrs. Campbell aye, Mrs. Murphy aye, Mr. Winter nay, Mr. Carey nay, Mrs. McCleish aye, Mr. Martin aye. Motion carries: 4 ayes, 3 nays.

Board Secretary

Joy Murphy nominated Katie Campbell as Board Secretary. There were no other nominations from the floor for the position of Secretary. Mr. Martin called for a voice vote. After a voice vote the motions carried.

Adoption of Board Policies

A motion was made by Mr. Martin that the Board of Education formally adopt the Board Policies of Summit Hill School District 161. After a voice vote the motion carries.

Appointment of Board Members

This item was tabled until the May 17, 2023 meeting.

Determination of Dates and Times for Regular Board Meetings

A motion was made by Mrs. Campbell and seconded by Mrs. McCleish that the Board of Education approve meetings of the Board during the 2023-2024 be conducted at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday in January, February, March, April, May, August, September, October, November, December and the first Wednesday of the month in June, and the second Wednesday in July Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Berk, aye, Mrs. Campbell aye, Mrs. Murphy aye, Mr. Winter aye, Mr. Carey aye, Mrs. McCleish aye, Mr. Martin aye. Motion carries: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Set New Board Member Orientation Date

The date of May 8, 2023 at 9:00 am was set for the Special Meeting for the new board member orientation.

Mandatory Board Member Training

Mr. Martin stated that all new board members are required to complete the online mandatory Board Member training.

Discussion/Approval of Changing the Date/Time of the May 17, 2023 Board Meeting

A motion was made by Mrs. McCleish and seconded by Mrs. Campbell that the Board of Education change the May 17, 2023 regular Board meeting time to 5 pm. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Berk, aye, Mrs. Campbell aye, Mrs. Murphy aye, Mr. Winter aye, Mr. Carey aye, Mrs. McCleish aye, Mr. Martin aye. Motion carries: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Approval of Cops Grant Application

A motion was made by Mrs. Berk and seconded by Mrs. Murphy that the Board of Education approve to apply and submit the FY 23 COPS School violence preventions program (SVPP) grant at the amount of the maximum federal share of \$500,000 per award. With a local cash match (cost share) requirement of at least 25 percent. Roll Call Vote: Mrs. Berk, aye, Mrs. Campbell aye, Mrs. Murphy aye, Mr. Winter aye, Mr. Carey aye, Mrs. McCleish aye, Mr. Martin aye. Motion carries: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

District 843 Meeting Report

Mr. Martin gave an update on the April 25, 2023, District 843 meeting.

Public Comments

A public comment was made by Carrey Bunda.

Adjournment of Meeting

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. After a voice vote the motion carried. The time was 7:30 pm.

President

Secretary