

August 25, 2014

The special meeting of the Board of School Trustees was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Mrs. Shuey. Mrs. Shuey led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. All Board members were present except Mr. Stanton. Also present were Mr. Brimbury, Mr. Hanson, Mr. Hall, Mrs. Minard, Mrs. Linda Watkins, and children Jacob, Jenna, and Josh Watkins, several patrons, several PCS employees, and news media representatives.

On motion by Mr. Stanton, seconded by Mr. Wagner, the Board unanimously approved the agenda.

I. PERSONNEL

A. RECOMMENDATION FOR SUPERINTENDENT - Mrs. Shuey stated we have taken long strides and have held many interviews and meetings to get to this meeting to approve a new superintendent for Peru Community Schools. She asked for a motion to approve Mr. Samuel E. Watkins as the new superintendent. Ms. Rice moved to approve the recommendation, seconded by Mr. Wagner, unanimously approved.

Mr. Watkins thanked the Board. He stated he has been the principal of PJHS for 11 years and intends to be a long time PCS employee. He stated he appreciates the support of colleagues, family, and friends. He said he will hold the office of superintendent with integrity, charisma, and honesty.

Mr. Brimbury congratulated Mr. Watkins adding he is an advocate for children. He always puts our children above all others and has a passion for education. He is a tremendous father, husband, and leader. Mr. Brimbury commended the Board on their decision.

Mrs. Shuey congratulated Mr. Watkins on behalf of the Board.

II. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Comerford moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:39 p.m.

III. RECEPTION TO WELCOME NEW SUPERINTENDENT

Secretary,

Tim Comerford

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