

**Clarendon School District 4
Special Called Board of Trustee Meeting
May 18, 2020 6:00 PM
Via ZOOM**

Jason Newsome, Chair	Alex Craven
Tony Junious, Vice-Chair	Luther Faulk
Ethel Marshall, Secretary	Jennifer Powell
Ron Wingard, Parliamentarian	

1. **Call to Order:** Mr. Jason Newsome called the meeting to order.
2. **Establish a Quorum** Mr. Newsome stated that a quorum was present; Mr. Ron Wingard will join the meeting a little later.
3. **Notice to Media:** Board members were informed that the media has been informed of the meeting.
4. **Executive Session:** A motion was made by Mr. Tony Junious to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel and contractual matters. Ms. Ethel Marshall seconded the motion. The vote was in favor of; 6-0. The time was 6:03 PM.

PUBLIC SESSION

1. **Welcome and Call To Order:** Mr. Newsome called the public session portion of the meeting to order. A motion was made by Mr. Junious to return to public session and Ms. Jennifer Powell seconded the motion. The vote was in favor of; 6-0. The time was 8:00 PM.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Wingard led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.
3. **Moment of Silence:** A moment of silence was observed.
4. **Approval of Consent Agenda:** Mr. Junious made a motion to accept the consent agenda as printed and Mr. Wingard seconded the motion. The vote was in favor of; 7-0.
5. **Update from Bank Account Subcommittee:** Ms. Marshall informed board members that the subcommittee has acquired an **EIN number from the IRS** and is ready to open the Clarendon 4 bank account. They will need a letter from the board chairman and a copy of legislation from the Governor to include the creation of Clarendon School District 4.
6. **Update from Policy Reconciliation Subcommittee:** Mr. Junious informed board members that he has been in contact with Dr. Tiffany Richardson from the School Boards

Association in reference of the policy reconciliation for Clarendon 4. He stated that the subcommittee will report further at the next meeting.

7. Action Items:

a. Approval of Minutes:

- i. **April 20, 2020**
- ii. **April 27, 2020**
- iii. **May 22, 2020**

A motion was made by Mr. Junious to approve the above mentioned minutes. Ms. Marshall requested that the spelling of Mr. Junious' name be corrected in the minutes. The vote was in favor of; 7-0.

b. Policy Section B – First Reading: Mr. Junious made a motion to **table this item** of business until a later meeting. Ms. Powell seconded the motion and the vote was in favor of; 7-0.

c. Procurement Policy – First Reading: Mr. Junious made a motion to **table this item** of business until a later meeting. Ms. Powell seconded the motion and the vote was in favor of; 7-0.

d. Mr. Junious made a motion to authorize the **Bank Account Subcommittee** to open a bank account for Clarendon School District 4. Ms. Marshall seconded the motion and the vote was in favor of; 7-0.

e. Open and Distribute Responses to Legal RFQ:

Mr. Newsome stated that Clarendon School District 4 has received **three (3)** responses to requests for bids for legal services. They are as follows:

- White/Story
- Boykin/Davis
- The Smiley Firm

A motion was made by Mr. Junious to **table this item** of business for discussion during Executive Session. Ms. Marshall seconded the motion and the vote was in favor of; 7-0.

8. Board Items:

a. Board Member Comments: Ms. Powell stated that several community members have asked about why the Clarendon 4 board minutes are not posted on a website. Mr. Newsome stated that minutes are not public knowledge until the board approves same.

b. Board Chair Report: Mr. Newsome informed board members that the next meeting will be on June 3, 2020.

A motion was made by Ms. Powell to **re-enter into Executive Session** for the purpose of personnel and contractual discussions. Mr. Junious seconded the motion and the vote was in favor of; 7-0.

Upon re-convening, Mr. Junious made a motion to enter into **Public Session** and Ms. Powell seconded the motion. The vote was in favor of; 7-0.

Mr. Newsome stated that board members have **2 candidates** to choose from to serve as **Interim Superintendent of Clarendon 4**. Mr. Junious made a motion to pursue negotiations with Candidate # 1. Ms. Powell seconded the motion and the vote was 5 in favor of and 2 opposed.

Ms. Marshall made a motion to pursue negotiations with Candidate # 2 and Mr. Faulk seconded the motion. The vote to pursue negotiations with Candidate # 2 was defeated with 2 votes for, and 5 votes against.

Board members agreed to **pursue negotiations with Candidate #1**.

9. **Adjournment:** A motion was made by Mr. Alex Craven to adjourn and Mr. Junious seconded the motion. The vote was in favor of; 7-0. The time was 9:20 P.M.

Mr. Jason Newsome, Board Chair

Date
