

Cleveland City Schools
Director Of Schools Selection
May 7, 2024 5:30 PM
Denning Center



Attendance Taken at 5:30 PM.

Mr. Matthew Coleman: Present
Ms. Carolyn Ingram: Present
Mr. Andy Lay: Present
Ms. Krista McKay: Present
Mrs. Peggy Pesterfield: Present
Mrs. Jodi Riggins: Present
Mr. Nate Tucker: Present

1. Welcome

Chairman Tucker welcomed everyone.

2. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Tucker led everyone in a Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Comments from Chairman Tucker

Nate Tucker asked Mr. Kelly Kiser to review the process the Board used during the Director of Schools search.

Mr. Kelly Kiser reviewed the history, beginning with selecting a search agency-Ray & Associates. Met with local stakeholders, staff and community members. The board narrowed a large pool to 10 very qualified candidates down to 3 finalists during the first round of interviews, which took place over Google meet. The top 3 finalists visited Cleveland City Schools during the first week of May, where we held community, staff, and stakeholder meet and greets where each group submitted questions through a link provided by Ray and Associates and Kelly Kiser moderated these meetings and asked the questions to the candidates and now at the final board vote.

4. Public Comments

No public comment was requested.

5. *Regular Agenda

Nate Tucker opened the floor for a motion for Dr. Amie Lonas, Dr. Terrance Sander, and Jeff Elliott.

Matthew Coleman motioned for Dr. Amie Lonas- No second received

Carolyn Ingram motioned for Dr. Jeff Elliott - Peggy Pesterfield seconded the motion. Mr Kelly Kiser proceeded with a random name draw, roll call vote as follows;

Nate Tucker-Yes

Carolyn Ingram-Yes

Matthew Coleman-Yes

Peggy Pesterfield-Yes

Andy Lay-Yes

Krista McKay-Yes

Jodi Riggins-Yes

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Passes 100%

Dr. Jeff Elliott is the new Director of Schools.

Motion for Dr. Amie Lonas to be named the next Director of Schools failed with a motion by Mr. Matthew Coleman.

Ms. Carolyn Ingram: No

Mr. Andy Lay: No

Ms. Krista McKay: No

Mrs. Peggy Pesterfield: No

Mrs. Jodi Riggins: No

Mr. Nate Tucker: No

Mr. Matthew Coleman: Yes

Yes: 1, No: 6

Motion for Dr. Jeff Elliott to be named the next Director of Schools passed with a motion by Ms. Carolyn Ingram and a second by Mrs. Peggy Pesterfield.

Mr. Matthew Coleman: Yes

Ms. Carolyn Ingram: Yes

Mr. Andy Lay: Yes

Ms. Krista McKay: Yes

Mrs. Peggy Pesterfield: Yes

Mrs. Jodi Riggins: Yes

Mr. Nate Tucker: Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0

6. Adjourn

Nate Tucker adjourned the meeting at 5:35 pm