

## APPROVED Minutes of January 9, 2013, Special School Board Meeting

**Call to Order** President Jessica Keehn called to order a Special Board Meeting of the Beaver Island Community School Board at 9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, January 9, 2013, at Beaver Island Community School.

**Present** Jessica Anderson Dawn Marsh Dana Hodgson  
Karen Johnson Nancy Tritsch Brian Cole  
Barb Schwartzfisher

**Others** Mark Eckhardt Alice Belfy Judy Boyle  
Deb Robert Carolyn Works Danielle Dedloff  
Julie Martin Missy Williams Missy Coffell  
Carol Burton Kathleen Antkoviak Kathy Richards  
Elaine West Lynn Cary Sarah Avery  
Beth Croswhite Olivia Cary Paul & Liz Niehaus

**General** President Anderson turned the meeting over to Mark Eckhardt to facilitate the process of interviewing the third candidate for the position of administrator/principal. Mark explained that each board member would ask two to three questions of each candidate, with any remaining time allocated to the public for questioning of the candidates.

**Candidate Allen** Melanie Allen's school administrative experience includes three years as Principal at Holt Public Schools, Gifted/Talented Coordinator, and extensive experience in the development and administration of Alternative Education from the ground up, including collaboration with the Mt. Pleasant Tribal Council for Alternative Ed for its Native American students. Melanie has led Professional Development in all of her positions.

Candidate Allen answered the pre-established questions developed by the board as well as questions of the public.

**Adjournment** The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m. and reconvened at 12:15 p.m.

**Discussion** Following recess, each board member was asked to positively comment on each candidate. Each board member then secretly rated each candidate on a 3" x 5" index card with a "1" being his/her first choice, a "2" being his/her second choice, and a "3" being his/her last choice. The results were tabulated on the white board by Mark Eckhardt and Alice Belfy with the following outcome:

Justis	8 points
Paxton	15 points
Allen	19 points

Based on this scale, the highest score a candidate could receive would be a "7", and the lowest score a candidate could receive would be a "21" (if all board members rated a particular candidate as their number "3", or last, choice).

**Motion** Moved by Schwartzfisher, supported by Tritsch, to offer a tentative letter of intent to Riley Justis for the position of Administrator/Principal pending successful negotiations and criminal background checks.

Ayes: Tritsch; Schwartzfisher; Hodgson; Johnson; Marsh; Anderson; and Cole.

Nays: None

Motion declared adopted.

**Adjournment** Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alice Belfy, Recording Secretary