

IOSCO-ARENAC DISTRICT LIBRARY  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING

Place: Iosco-Arenac District Library Administrative Headquarters

Date: August 17, 2023

Present: Phyllis Klender, Rick Rockwell, Susan Synowiec, Linda Eyer, Dan Stock, Jerry Brown, Thelma Van Brenk, Jennifer Donner and Diane Bushman

Absent: Sue Kingsbury

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Rockwell called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Klender moved and Synowiec seconded approval of the agenda. Motion carried.**

ITEM 3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND BOARD COMMENTS

None

ITEM 4. NEW BUSINESS

4A. DIRECTOR SEARCH AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORT/POTENTIAL HIRE

Eyer reported that the Director Search Ad Hoc Committee interviewed two good candidates. She said that the committee is recommending that the Board hire Kari Besancon because they feel that she is a good fit for our District. Synowiec said that she feels that Besancon understands local culture and how this District works. She was also impressed with her enthusiasm. Van Brenk said that Besancon is already thinking about what it would be like to be the director.

**Eyer moved and Synowiec seconded to hire Kari Besancon as District Director to replace outgoing Director Jennifer Donner and to authorize the Director Search Ad Hoc Committee to enter into negotiations with Kari Besancon for an employment contract. Board Chairperson, Rick Rockwell is authorized to sign said contract. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Brown, aye; Eyer, aye; Rockwell, aye; Synowiec, aye; Stock, aye; Kingsbury, absent; Van Brenk, aye; Klender, aye. Motion carried.**

The Board thanked Donner and wished her well.

ITEM 5. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Rockwell adjourned the meeting at 4:12 pm

Respectfully submitted,



Diane Bushman  
Recording Secretary