# BOARD OF TRUSTEES PIERCE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM SPECIAL MEETING, MAY 29, 2015



Chair Rob Allen called to order the special meeting of the Pierce County Rural Library District Board of Trustees May 29, 2015, at 1:03 pm. Board members present were Allen Rose and Donna Albers. J.J. McCament and Linda Ishem were absent.

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### **OVERVIEW OF MATERIALS AND PROCESS**

Ms. Lomax provided the Board with an overview of the process and reviewed the information in the interview packets. She encouraged them to revise the interview questions as they deemed necessary.

Ms. Albers asked if it should be interpreted that the Board members who sat on the initial interview panel thought the finalists were equally qualified. Chair Allen noted it was not a question of qualification, but of fit and need.

## INTERVIEW OF CANDIDATE A

John Naegele was introduced to the Board members.

Mr. Naegele asked what gaps the Board was trying to fill with the vacant position. Chair Allen said the Board is interested in the various qualities each candidate brings and determining which is a better fit. When asked if there was any specific experience the exiting Board member has that they are looking to fill, Mr. Rose said there has been much diversity in those who have applied. He provided an overview of the various applicants in past years.

The Board commenced with the interview. Upon completion, the Board thanked Mr. Naegele. Chair Allen informed him they would be making their recommendation that day.

## INTERVIEW OF CANDIDATE B

The Board welcomed Monica Butler to the interview. Ms. Butler inquired about the timeframe for the County Council's decision. Mr. Rose said it would be approximately 4-6 weeks, but could be sooner.

The Board commenced with the interview. Upon completion, the Board thanked Ms. Butler. Chair Allen informed her they would be making their recommendation that day.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 2:28 pm, Mr. Rose moved to recess into Executive Session, per RCW 42.30.110, for 15 minutes to discuss qualifications of the candidates. Ms. Albers seconded the motion and it passed.

The session was reopened to the public at 2:35 pm.

## **CANDIDATE RECOMMENDATION**

Chair Allen stated the Board of Trustees appreciated both candidates for taking time to continue the interview process. He said each candidate possessed strong skills that would be beneficial to the Board.

The Board recommended Ms. Lomax forward Ms. Butler's application to Pierce County Executive Pat McCarthy for appointment to the vacant position. Chair Allen noted that another Board position would be open in the future and asked Ms. Lomax to inform Mr. Naegele at that time.

Ms. Lomax thanked the Board for their participation in the process. She will notify Ms. McCarthy of the Board's recommendation. She added she would notify the interview panel as well as both candidates, encouraging their continued connection to Pierce County Library System.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:37 pm on motion by Mr. Rose seconded by Ms. Albers.

Georgia Lomax, Secretary

Rob Allen, Chair