

SOUTHWESTERN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
November 29, 2023

Members Present: Travis Beck, Blake Newkirk, Dustin Simpson, Brad Stamper, and Derrek Tennell

Member Not Present: Isaac Pile

**I. Call to Order**

**A. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America**

President Derrek Tennell called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. in the Administration Office of Southwestern CSD of Shelby County. He led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

**B. Welcome, introductions and recognitions**

President Derrek Tennell welcomed everyone in attendance.

**II. Agenda Modifications**

None

**III. Public Comment**

None

**IV. New Business**

**A. Jackson Township School Board Representative Opening**

Interview of potential applicants:

- Kimberly Ayers
- John Blue
- John Deeter
- Chad Dennison
- Charity Mohr
- Leah Schoolcraft

Each candidate was asked the same series of questions.

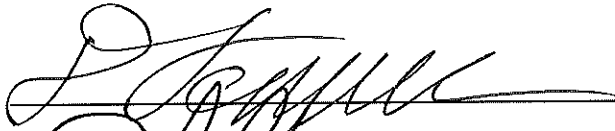



**V. Board Member Comments**


Mr. Beck, and Mr. Simpson thanked all of the candidates for their interest in applying for the open position on the board. Mrs. Newkirk added that the responses to the question "What makes Southwestern Special?" meant a lot to the board members.

Mr. Tennell mentioned that several candidates had mentioned transparency, confidentiality and culture. He wanted to point out that board members were not always able to share information that might impact public opinion. Mr. Tennell explained the process to narrow down the applicants. He informed the applicants that the board would complete an initial exclusion to narrow down to three candidates. He stated that all candidates would be contacted regardless of the outcome of the process.

**VII. Adjournment**

Mr. Tennell adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

  
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