

August 8, 2022

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
DECATUR COUNTY COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

The Board of School Trustees met in special session on Wednesday, August 8, 2022 at Central Office, 2020 N Montgomery Rd., Greensburg, IN 47240.

Board President Joyce Geis called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Lizette Bell appeared via zoom. Nicholas Messer was absent, having resigned from his board seat July 20, 2022. Otherwise, all members of the Board were present.

Under new business, the board conducted interviews with prospective board members. Four individuals submitted a letter of interest and were interviewed. Dr. Jarrod Burns, Superintendent of Decatur County Schools, moderated the interviews. The first interview was with Tim Roscoe.

Mr. Roscoe explained he grew up in Jennings County and graduated from North Vernon High School. He went on to graduate from Olivet Nazarene University in 1972 with a Bachelor's Degree in Education and History and then from Indiana University in 1975 with a Master's Degree. Mr. Roscoe also described his history with Decatur County Community Schools, stating his first teaching job was at North Decatur Jr./Sr. High School where he taught for 8 years. He then moved to South Decatur Jr./Sr. High School where he taught for 28 years. In 2008 Mr. Roscoe was elected for a seat on the Board of School Trustees and served on the Board for twelve years. Mr. Roscoe emphasized his many ties to the community in career, business, and family as the motivation for his desire to return to a seat on the Board.

The second individual to be interviewed was Chris Sundal. Mr. Sundal described himself as a 10-year Navy Veteran. Although not from the area, his wife is and that is what brought them back to the area. After the Navy, Mr. Sundal explained he worked as a retail manager during college, graduating with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Indiana Tech in 2011. Mr. Sundal then went to work for Honda, where he has been since 2011, and is now working as a Project Manager for the company. Mr. Sundal expressed his motivation for wanting to be a member of the Board is his tie to the school district through his children who both attend South Decatur Jr./Sr. High School. Mr. Sundal also coached the South Decatur Jr. High Golf Team for several years until work travel made that too difficult. However, Mr. Sundal expressed that his current position as Project Manager would not create the same scheduling issues.

The third candidate to be interviewed in the process was Rob Scaggs. Mr. Scaggs described himself as growing up in Westport, his father a local preacher and his mother was a counselor at South Decatur Schools. Mr. Scaggs' wife is currently a First Grade Teacher at South Decatur Elementary School and they have two children, both attending South Decatur Schools, though they have family in the North Decatur Schools as well. Mr. Scaggs received a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and a Master's Degree in Business and has done a lot of social work with children throughout his career, but is now working for Lowes Distribution Center helping to find and employ high functioning individuals with varying special needs. Mr. Scaggs explained he likes helping people and would like to bring his skillset to the Board and support the staff while representing his community and family.

The final individual interviewed was Malcom Meer. Mr. Meer described himself as a lifelong member of the community. Mr. Meer attended Greensburg Schools, and attended College at Ball State. Mr. Meer explained he served for many years as a Merit Deputy for the Decatur County Police Department. Mr. Meer also describes being a farmer in the community and believes he makes a good candidate to represent the community. Mr. Meer explained he has grandchildren in the schools and has always had a good experience with the schools and would like to become a Board member to continue being active in the community and be involved in the school system.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m. on a motion by Todd Mauer and a second by Matthew Hoeing.

Matthew Hoeing, Secretary
Board of School Trustees
Decatur County Community Schools

APPROVED BY:
