

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special Called Meeting/Board Vacancy
November 20, 2018

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The Montgomery County Board of Education convened in a special called meeting on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 at 6:00 pm, to interview applicants to fill the vacant board seat of Ann Long. Board members present were Steven W. DeBerry – Chair, Tommy Blake – Vice Chair, Jesse Hill, Sandra Miller and Shirley Threadgill and Bryan Dozier.

Chairman DeBerry called the meeting to order and moved to adopt the agenda as shown. Sandra Miller made the motion with Jesse Hill seconding. The agenda was accepted with unanimous approval from the board.

Chairman DeBerry then asked for a motion to go into closed session to discuss applicants and conduct interviews. Bryan Dozier made the motion, with Tommy Blake seconding. The board approved entering into closed session unanimously.

After returning from closed session, Chairman DeBerry asked for a motion to adjourn in open forum. With a motion by Bryan Dozier and a second by Tommy Blake, the meeting continued. The board commented in open session that both candidates, Cindy Taylor and Trikena Simmons, possessed the same principles as Mrs. Long, one of which was always putting the child first. Overall, both candidates are highly qualified to fill the position. After some discussion, Sandra Miller made the motion to appoint Trikena Simmons as board member. With a second by Shirley Threadgill, the board approved the appointment unanimously.

In other business, Chairman DeBerry asked for a motion to request an appeal with the North Carolina High School Athletic Association, asking that Montgomery County be allowed to play in the Rocky River 2A conference. The appeal will be made with the understanding that the NCHSAA may want Montgomery County to play in a different conference. Bryan Dozier made the motion, while Sandra Miller seconded. The board unanimously approved the request.

After all business was concluded, Chairman DeBerry asked for a motion to adjourn. Sandra Miller made the motion with Bryan Dozier seconding.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, December 3, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Central Office Boardroom.

Steven W. DeBerry, Chairman

Dale Ellis, Ed. D., Secretary