

**MINNETONKA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #276**  
**District Service Center**  
**5621 County Road 101**  
**Minnetonka, Minnesota**

**Summary of December 9, 2021 Study Session**

The School Board of Minnetonka Independent School District #276 met in study session at 12:45 p.m. on Thursday, December 9, 2021 in the Community Room at the District Service Center, 5621 County Road 101, Minnetonka, Minnesota. Chairperson Chris Vitale presided. Other Board members present were: Mark Ambrosen, Katie Becker, John Holcomb, John Odom and Lisa Wagner. Absent: Mike LeSage and Superintendent Dennis Peterson, ex officio.

**OUTLINE OF TODAY'S PROCESS**

Board member Wagner began by providing a brief overview of the superintendent search process. She noted that it is the Board's responsibility to hire a search firm that will manage the process of hiring a new superintendent to replace Dr. Dennis Peterson, Minnetonka's current Superintendent who will be retiring on June 30, 2022. A Board subcommittee consisting of herself, Board members Becker and Odom has been formed to interface with the search firms and lead the process. Seven search firms were invited to present proposals, and six of those firms responded. The subcommittee recently met and narrowed the list of six firms down to four. Those four firms will be presenting their proposals today.

**PRESENTATIONS FROM SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH FIRMS**

The following firms then presented their proposals to the Board:

- School Exec Connect – in-person presentation from Ken Dragseth and David Clough; Patty Phillips joined the meeting virtually
- MSBA – in-person presentation from Barb Dorn and John Ward
- BWP and Associates – virtual presentation from Phil Ehrhardt, Anne Noland and Steve Griesbach
- McPherson & Jacobson – virtual presentation from Gary McAndrew

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned the Study Session at 4:40 p.m.