

The Superintendent Search Joint Committee of the La Harpe Community School District 347 and Dallas Elementary School District 327 met June 28, 2018, at the school in Dallas City, Illinois. Present were Bobi James, Ryan Johnson, Dustin Detherage, Bob Castillo, Beth Webster, and Monica Ryan. The meeting was called to order at 4:57 p.m.

At 4:58 p.m., Bob Castillo made a motion, seconded by Monica Ryan, to move to closed session to discuss items per School Code - 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). On a roll call vote, all members voted Aye.

The topic of discussion centered on the proposed contract for interim superintendent, Dr. Jo R. Campbell.

There was concern at the June regular meetings of both Districts about making sure everyone was on the same page about the terms of Dr. Campbell's contract. Were there other less expensive alternatives? Would Dr. Campbell require employment for the duration of the contract or would he terminate early if we found a permanent replacement? How soon could he start, and would it be better for him to start later in first semester so that he could work longer into second semester? Would he be paid for holidays and vacation or just working days? Could he limit his time to 4 days a week most weeks?

The committee came to the consensus that the \$500 per day to be paid to Dr. Campbell under the terms of the proposed contract was likely the least amount for which any interim would agree to work. There was also discussion about what housing would be available for Dr. Campbell. Bobi James inquired of a previous landlord of Dr. Campbell, and there is an apartment available for rent. Significant discussion was had about the length of time Dr. Campbell would be available and ways we could maximize the benefit of his services.

At 5:30 p.m., the Committee initiated a conference call with Dr. Campbell to discuss all of the questions.

Dr. Campbell stated that he would require working the entire term of his contract - 100 working days from start to finish. He stated that it would be better to start as soon as possible, but that he could limit most weeks to four days per week in order to stretch out the time period his contract would cover so that the Districts had ample time to complete their superintendent search. Dr. Campbell stated he could not start the week of July 23, 2018, but agreed to a change in the start of his employment from August 1, 2018, to July 30, 2018.

It was agreed that Bobi James would follow up with Dr. Olson and Dr. Campbell regarding the respective changes to the current proposed contract.

At 5:56 p.m., Bob Castillo made a motion, seconded by Dustin Detherage, to return to open meeting. On a roll call vote, all members voted Aye.

At 5:57 p.m., Ryan Johnson made a motion, seconded by Bobi James, to adjourn the meeting. On a voice vote, all members voted Aye.