CALL TO ORDER
President Hendrix called to order the regular meeting of the Churchill County School District Board of Trustees at 4:14 p.m. at the Churchill County School District Administration Office, 690 South Maine Street, Fallon, Nevada.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

VERIFICATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA
President Hendrix confirmed the posting of the agenda pursuant to NRS 241.

ROLL CALL

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<td>Trustee Clay Hendrix, President</td>
<td>Sharla Hales, Legal Counsel</td>
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<td>Trustee Kathryn Whitaker, Vice President</td>
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<td>Trustee Carmen Schank, Clerk</td>
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<td>Trustee Matt Hyde, Acting Clerk</td>
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REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA
The agenda was adopted under unanimous consent.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Steve Johnson started to speak in support Derild Parsons for Superintendent. President Hendrix informed Mr. Johnson that he could comment about the Superintendent search, but he would have to wait until public comment is accepted as part of the Superintendent search agenda item, as this public comment is for comments not associated with an agenda item.

NEW BUSINESS
A. The Board of Trustees will interview the following candidates for the Superintendent position:
   1. Risha VanderWey
   2. Marion Smith Jr.
   3. Summer Stephens
   4. Derild Parsons
President Hendrix advised the Board and public of the process. The Board will interview each candidate and will report on information discovered with reference checks. Staff who escorted candidates throughout the day will provide their observations and comments. Sharla Hales will provide a summary of comments from observation forms that were provided by staff and the public throughout the day. The public will have an opportunity to provide input. Greg McKenzie, Superintendent Search Consultant, will assist the Board in the process to select a Superintendent. The Board will then make a selection for Superintendent.

The Board interviewed Risha VanderWey, Summer Stephens, Marion Smith Jr., and Derild Parsons.

[Interviewed Risha VanderWey from 4:16 p.m. until 5:01 p.m.]
[Interviewed Summer Stephens from 5:03 p.m. until 5:44 p.m.]
[The Board took a 15 minute recess. The meeting resumed at 6:00 p.m.]
[Interviewed Marion Smith Jr. from 6:02 p.m. until 6:42 p.m.]
[Interviewed Derild Parsons from 6:43 until 7:12 p.m.]

B. **For Discussion and Possible Action:** The Board of Trustees will receive and discuss information regarding the candidates for superintendent including: reference checks, background checks, reports from tour guides (hosts), comments from various tour stops during the candidates' time in the District, and other similar information.

C. **For Discussion and Possible Action:** The Board of Trustees will discuss the second interviews with the candidates, including the strengths and weaknesses of the candidates in light of the qualities the District is looking for in a superintendent.

D. **For Discussion and Possible Action:** The Board of Trustees will discuss and may take action to move the superintendent search forward, including possible narrowing the number down from four candidates, doing further research such as site visits, selecting a candidate for hire from the remaining four candidates, taking action to open the position for further applications, or taking other similar action.

Board members reported on comments they received when completing reference checks. Greg McKenzie reported that all four candidates are licensed and qualified.

Patty Fleming reported on her day in the district with Risha VanderWey. Lisa Bliss reported on her day in the district with Derild Parsons. Robbie Wickware reported on his day in the district with Marion Smith Jr. Sharla Hales read Nate Waites' comments about his day in the district with Summer Stephens.

Sharla Hales reported on summarized comments from staff and public regarding day in the district meetings.

President Hendrix commented that the Board has been inclusionary in the Superintendent search process. The Board is aware that hiring a Superintendent is the most important thing the Board does as the decision touches everyone in the District.

Greg McKenzie addressed the Board in terms of their options and the next steps in selecting a Superintendent. Each Trustee offered comments regarding the Superintendent candidates. Trustee Pinder and Trustee Schank were in favor of Derild Parsons while the rest of the Board was in favor of Dr. Summer Stephens.
Trustee Whitaker moved to offer a contract to Dr. Stephens as Superintendent of the Churchill County School District, seconded by Trustee Strasdin.

Torri Coldwell, Churchill County High School secretary, commented that Derild Parsons is an amazing individual, but supported the Board’s motion. Bob Getto, 59 year resident of Churchill County, commented that Mr. Parson’s is an excellent educator and sees the Board is agonizing over this decision. Mr. Getto stated that Churchill County School District is a big business, and stated that Summer Stephens is qualified from a business perspective and supported the Board’s motion. Deby Smotherman commented that Mr. Parsons would make a great Superintendent down the road, but felt the Board made a good choice. Right or wrong, we are in this together, as a community. Brad Whitaker, Lahontan Elementary School Teacher and Trustee Whitaker’s spouse, commented that the Board has put a lot of time and thought into this decision. Dr. Sheldon has been a great Superintendent for the District. Mr. Whitaker trusts the Board’s decision.

Trustee Schank and Trustee Pinder stated that they would support the Board’s vote in favor of Dr. Stephens. Trustee Pinder felt it was important that the new Superintendent have the complete support of the Board.

Trustee Whitaker thanked the Board for being so articulate in providing reasons and helping her clarify and understand their position and she looks forward to working with the new Superintendent to move students forward in Churchill County.

President Hendrix called for a vote on the motion to enter into negotiations with Dr. Summer Stephens for the position of Churchill County School District Superintendent. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Stephens, present in the audience, commented that the key is working together as a team and thanked the Board for considering her for Superintendent, and that she looks forward to supporting the District and great learning for kids.

Sharla Hales, legal counsel, reported that the next step would be a negotiations session regarding Dr. Stephens’ contract. It was agreed that a negotiations session would be scheduled for just prior to the May 9 Board meeting. Ms. Hales will work with Dr. Stephens to create a draft contract for the Board to review.

PUBLIC COMMENT
There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT
Trustee Hyde moved, seconded by Trustee Strasdin, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:15 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Carmen, Schank, Clerk of the Board

Prepared by Debra Shyne