

Clearwater, Florida, March 23, 2016

The Unified Personnel Board (UPB) met in special session at 5:01 P.M. on this date in the Clerk's Fourth Floor Conference Room, Pinellas County Courthouse, 315 Court Street, Clearwater, Florida, with the following members present: Ricardo Davis, Chair; James Dates, Vice-Chair; Keith C. Dekle; Louise Dolsay (late arrival); William A. Schulz II; Joan M. Vecchioli; and Ron Walker.

Also Present: David Blasewitz, Interim Director of Human Resources; Michelle A. Wallace, Senior Assistant County Attorney; Michael P. Schmidt, Board Reporter, Deputy Clerk; and other interested individuals.

AGENDA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Human Resources

I. Human Resources Director Interviews

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 5:01 P.M.; whereupon, he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTERVIEW OF CANDIDATE GARY O'BANNON

The interview began at 5:05 P.M. Chair Davis welcomed Mr. O'Bannon on behalf of the Board and provided information regarding the interview process; whereupon, Mr. O'Bannon thanked the members for the opportunity to meet with them.

Proceeding with the interview, the members took turns asking questions of the candidate, including questions from the predetermined list, and the candidate responded accordingly.

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At this time, 5:10 P.M., Ms. Dolsay entered the meeting.

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Chair Davis inquired whether Mr. O'Bannon had any questions for the Board, and discussion ensued.

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The interview with Mr. O'Bannon was concluded at 6:20 P.M.

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At this time, 6:20 P.M., the meeting was recessed and reconvened at 6:47 P.M., with all members in attendance.

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INTERVIEW OF CANDIDATE HOLLY SCHOENHERR

The interview began at 6:47 P.M. Chair Davis welcomed Ms. Schoenherr on behalf of the Board and provided information regarding the interview process; whereupon, Ms. Schoenherr thanked the members for the opportunity to meet with them.

Proceeding with the interview, the members took turns asking questions of the candidate, including questions from the predetermined list, and the candidate responded accordingly.

Chair Davis inquired whether Ms. Schoenherr had any questions for the Board, and discussion ensued.

The interview with Ms. Schoenherr was concluded at 7:45 P.M.

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At this time, 7:45 P.M., the meeting was recessed and reconvened at 8:00 P.M., with all members in attendance.

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INTERVIEW OF CANDIDATE BROOKE STEARNS

The interview began at 8:00 P.M. Chair Davis welcomed Ms. Stearns on behalf of the Board and provided information regarding the interview process; whereupon, Ms. Stearns thanked the members for the opportunity to meet with them.

Proceeding with the interview, the members took turns asking questions of the candidate, including questions from the predetermined list, and the candidate responded accordingly.

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Chair Davis inquired whether Ms. Stearns had any questions for the Board, and discussion ensued.

The interview with Ms. Schoenherr was concluded at 8:53 P.M.

DISCUSSION REGARDING SELECTION OF PREFERRED CANDIDATE

Chair Davis related that the members have three options regarding how to proceed; and that they can select the preferred candidate at this meeting, at a special meeting prior to the next regular meeting, or at the next regular meeting; whereupon, Mr. Dates requested that the members be polled, stating that if they are in agreement regarding the preferred candidate, a subsequent meeting will be unnecessary, and discussion ensued with no consensus achieved.

Thereupon, Chair Davis indicated that selection of the preferred candidate would take place at the April 7 UPB meeting, and no objections were noted.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 P.M.

Chair