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**SCOTLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Scotland, Connecticut**  
**Meeting Minutes - Special Meeting**  
**December 16, 2021**  
**Meeting was held via Zoom**

Chairperson Cassidy Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Present were BOE members, Clark Stearns, Gracie Martin,  
Rod Perry and Bill Trudelle.  
Administrator present was Superintendent Valerie Bruneau

Reason for this meeting was to discuss the recommended hiring of Margaret Courter as the Special Ed. Director for SES

The candidate's resume and letters of recommendations were shared with the BOE prior to this meeting. Bill Trudelle expressed concerns that the BOE did not follow its bylaws in establishing the interview committee involved with this recent candidate as it is an administrative position. Clark Stearns commented that he feels that the Superintendent has the authority to hire into this position as she is responsible for overall performance of this candidate. Valerie Bruneau stated that this candidate would be filling the .4 Special Ed. Director position approved by the BOE and would be working per the current job description on file. A copy of the job description and contract will be sent to all BOE members.

There was a general consensus that the BOE needs to evaluate and revise as needed effective operational procedures. Mr. Caruso from CAFE will be attending the January BOE meeting to review effective BOE responsibilities and operational priorities.

Motion to adjourn made by Rod Perry  
Seconded by Gracie Martin

Approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Rod Perry, BOE Secretary