

FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FAIRBANKS, ALASKA

Special Meeting

MINUTES

August 4, 2015

President Haas called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the boardroom of the FNSBSD Administrative Center at 520 Fifth Avenue. The special meeting was called to discuss student discipline matters and Education Support Staff Association (ESSA) negotiations.

President Haas read the district's mission statement: *"Our mission is to provide an excellent, equitable education in a safe, supportive environment so all students can become productive members of a diverse and changing society."*

Present:

Heidi Haas, President
Sue Hull, Member
Michael O'Brien, Member
Sean Rice, Member

Absent:

Wendy Dominique, Vice President
Allyson Lambert, Treasurer
Lisa Gentry, Clerk

Staff Present:

Dr. Karen Gaborik, Superintendent
Lisa Pearce, Chief Financial Officer
Dan Schmidt, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education
Shaun Kraska, Previous Interim Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education
Sandra Kowalski, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education
Traci Gatewood, Executive Director of Human Resources/Lead Negotiator
Ivory McDaniel, Investigation Specialist & Hearing Officer
Sharon Tuttle, Executive Assistant to the Board of Education

Public Testimony – *limited to items on the agenda only* [0:00:40]

President Haas called for public testimony. Hearing none, testimony was closed.

Student Discipline

Executive Session for Student Discipline [0:00:47]

An executive session was called to hear student discipline matters.

HULL MOVED, RICE SECONDED, TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO HEAR STUDENT DISCIPLINE MATTERS THAT COULD TEND TO PREJUDICE THE REPUTATION AND CHARACTER OF ANY PERSON, PROVIDED THE PERSON MAY REQUEST A PUBLIC DISCUSSION AND MATTERS WHICH BY LAW, MUNICIPAL CHARTER, OR ORDINANCE ARE REQUIRED TO BE CONFIDENTIAL.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE CONSENT OF FOUR MEMBERS
(RICE, O'BRIEN, HULL, HAAS)

The board convened to executive session at 6:03 p.m.

The executive session recessed at 6:59 p.m. [0:01:11]

Special Meeting (continued)

The board recessed the special meeting at 7:01 p.m. to hold their Regular Meeting.

The board reconvened the special meeting at 8:59 p.m. with a quorum of board members present: Heidi Haas, Sue Hull, Michael O'Brien, and Sean Rice in attendance. Staff in attendance were Superintendent Dr. Gaborik, Dan Schmidt, Sandra Kowalski, Lisa Pearce, Traci Gatewood, and Sharon Tuttle.

Executive Session for Student Discipline [0:01:50]

An executive session was needed to continue discussions on student discipline matters.

HULL MOVED, RICE SECONDED, TO RECONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS ON STUDENT DISCIPLINE MATTERS THAT COULD TEND TO PREJUDICE THE REPUTATION AND CHARACTER OF ANY PERSON, PROVIDED THE PERSON MAY REQUEST A PUBLIC DISCUSSION AND MATTERS WHICH BY LAW, MUNICIPAL CHARTER, OR ORDINANCE ARE REQUIRED TO BE CONFIDENTIAL.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE CONSENT OF FOUR MEMBERS (RICE, O'BRIEN, HULL, HAAS)

The board reconvened to executive session at 9:01 p.m.

The executive session recessed at 9:08 p.m. [0:02:14]

Student Discipline [0:02:22]

HULL MOVED, RICE SECONDED, TO

PLACE STUDENT 08-04-15-01 ON LONG-TERM SUSPENSION FOR THIRTY (30) SCHOOL DAYS AND STUDENT SHOULD ENROLL IN THE SMART PROGRAM; FURTHER, STUDENT MUST OBTAIN A THREAT ASSESSMENT AND COMPLY WITH ALL RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR REQUIREMENTS OF THE ASSESSMENT; AND STUDENT MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO RETURN TO SCHOOL ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2015.

PLACE STUDENT 08-04-15-02 ON LONG-TERM SUSPENSION FOR THIRTY (30) SCHOOL DAYS; FURTHER STUDENT SHOULD ENROLL IN THE SMART PROGRAM AND STUDENT MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO RETURN TO SCHOOL ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2015.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE. 4 AYES (RICE, O'BRIEN, HULL, HAAS)

ESSA Negotiations [0:02:54]

Executive Session for ESSA Update [0:03:00]

An executive session was called to receive an update on ESSA negotiations and provide direction to the negotiator.

Executive Session for ESSA Update (continued)

HULL MOVED, O'BRIEN SECONDED, TO RECONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE AND PROVIDE DIRECTION ON THE BOARD'S GOALS TO THE NEGOTIATOR REGARDING ESSA NEGOTIATIONS, TO INCLUDE THE CFO FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING SALARY AND BENEFIT INFORMATION

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE CONSENT OF FOUR MEMBERS (RICE, O'BRIEN, HULL, HAAS)

The board reconvened to executive session at 9:09 p.m.

The executive session adjourned at 9:59 p.m. [0:03:18]

Board Comments/Discussion

None

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Submitted by Sharon Tuttle, executive assistant to the Board of Education.