

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

Special Meeting

MINUTES

February 1, 2016

President Haas called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. in the boardroom of the FNSBSD Administrative Center at 520 Fifth Avenue. The special meeting was called to discuss a student discipline matter and for discussion regarding the superintendent's mid-year performance review.

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 will succeed and contribute to a diverse and changing society."*

Present:

Heidi Haas, President  
Lisa Gentry, Vice President  
Allyson Lambert, Treasurer  
Michael O'Brien, Clerk  
Wendy Dominique, Member  
Sue Hull, Member

Absent:

Sean Rice, Member

Staff Present:

Dr. Karen Gaborik, Superintendent  
Sandra Kowalski, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education  
Dan Schmidt, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education  
Sharon Tuttle, Executive Assistant to the School Board

**Public Testimony** – *limited to items on the agenda only* [0:00:46]

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

**Student Discipline**

**Executive Session for Student Discipline** [0:00:53]

An executive session was called to hear a student discipline matter.

HULL MOVED, GENTRY SECONDED, TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, AND HEARING OFFICER TO HEAR A STUDENT DISCIPLINE MATTER 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 SIX MEMBERS (HULL, DOMINIQUE, O'BRIEN, LAMBERT, GENTRY, HAAS)

The board convened to executive session at 5:32 p.m.

The executive session recessed at 5:35 p.m. [0:01:17]

**Student Discipline** [0:01:25]

LAMBERT MOVED, HULL SECONDED, TO

PLACE STUDENT 02-01-16-01 ON A LONG-TERM SUSPENSION FOR FORTY-FIVE (45) SCHOOL DAYS; FURTHER, STUDENT SHOULD ENROLL IN THE SMART PROGRAM; STUDENT MUST OBTAIN A THREAT ASSESSMENT FROM A DISTRICT-APPROVED ASSESSMENT PROVIDER PRIOR TO READMISSION TO DISTRICT SCHOOLS AND SHOULD COMPLY WITH ANY RECOMMENDATIONS AND/OR REQUIREMENTS OF THE ASSESSMENT; AND STUDENT MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MARCH 21, 2016.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE. 6 AYES  
(HULL, DOMINIQUE, O'BRIEN, LAMBERT, GENTRY, HAAS)

**Superintendent Mid-Year Performance Discussion** [0:01:57]

HULL MOVED, GENTRY SECONDED, TO RECONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR AN INFORMAL EVALUATION DISCUSSION WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT REGARDING SUBJECTS THAT COULD TEND TO PREJUDICE HER REPUTATION AND CHARACTER, PROVIDED SHE MAY REQUEST A PUBLIC DISCUSSION.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE CONSENT OF SIX MEMBERS  
(HULL, DOMINIQUE, O'BRIEN, LAMBERT, GENTRY, HAAS)

The board reconvened to executive session at 5:36 p.m.

The executive session adjourned at 6:41 p.m. [0:02:22]

**Board Comments/Discussion** [0:02:30]

None

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Submitted by Sharon Tuttle, executive assistant to the school board.