

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

Special Meeting

MINUTES

July 9, 2014

President Haas called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. in the board room of the FNSBSD Administrative Center at 520 Fifth Avenue. The special meeting was called for discussion regarding litigation against the district (Case No. 4FA-14-02138CI); ongoing personnel investigations; and the former superintendent's employment termination, to include a possible executive session with the borough attorney's office to discuss matters within the attorney client privilege, including liability exposure, and if necessary, to give direction to the interim superintendent

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

Present:

Heidi Haas, President
Wendy Dominique, Vice President
John Thies, Treasurer
Allyson Lambert, Clerk (Phone)
Lisa Gentry, Member
Sue Hull, Member (Phone)

Absent:

Sean Rice, Member

Staff Present:

Dr. Karen Gaborik, Interim Superintendent
Sharon Tuttle, Executive Assistant to the Board

Others Present:

Jill Dolan, Assistant Borough Attorney

Discussion regarding litigation against the district (Case No. 4FA-14-02138CI); ongoing personnel investigations; and the former superintendent's employment termination.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

Executive Session

HALL MOVED, THIES SECONDED, TO CONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION WITH THE BOROUGH ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO INCLUDE BOARD MEMBERS HULL AND LAMBERT IN THE DISCUSSION VIA TELEPHONIC MEANS TO DISCUSS MATTERS WITHIN THE ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE, INCLUDING DISCUSSION REGARDING LITIGATION AGAINST THE DISTRICT (CASE NO. 4FA-14-02138CI); ONGOING PERSONNEL INVESTIGATIONS; THE FORMER SUPERINTENDENT'S EMPLOYMENT TERMINATION; DIRECTION TO THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT IF NECESSARY; AND TO DISCUSS LIABILITY EXPOSURE, THE IMMEDIATE KNOWLEDGE OF WHICH WOULD CLEARLY HAVE AN ADVERSE EFFECT UPON THE FINANCES OF THE DISTRICT.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE CONSENT OF FOUR MEMBERS - HAAS, DOMINIQUE, THIES, LAMBERT.

The board convened to executive session at 12:05 p.m.

The executive session adjourned at 1:26 p.m.

Board Comments/Discussion

None

The meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

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