

KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL meeting of March 30, 2021
6:00 p.m.
Ketchikan High School Library

CALL TO ORDER; PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE; ROLL CALL

The Ketchikan Gateway Borough Board of Education met in a **special** session on the 30th day of March, 2021, in the library of Ketchikan High School. Board President Kim Hodne called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The following members were present to establish a quorum and due notice had been published: Board President Kim Hodne; Vice President Sonya Skan; Clerk-Treasurer Bridget Mattson; and Board Members Diane Gubatayao, Jordan Tabb, Paul Robbins Jr., and Nicole Anderson.

CITIZEN REMARKS

Sharyl Yeisley introduced herself as a tribal member of Ketchikan Indian Community of Aleut descent. She commented on issues she felt the Board should consider during its evaluation, especially regarding those she said had been expressed by the indigenous community.

Gloria Burns, introducing herself with her Haida name, said she was attending the meeting as the president of the Ketchikan Indian Community. Ms. Burns stated that the tribe looks forward to a strong relationship with the school district. However, she added, the tribe's position is that the relationship will not flourish under Ms. Lougee's leadership.

Motion to move into an executive session regarding the Board's evaluation of the Superintendent, a subject that may tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, provided the person may request a public discussion.

Moved by: ROBBINS Jr.; Second by: MATTSON

ROLL CALL

ANDERSON, SKAN, TABB, GUBATAYAO, MATTSON, ROBBINS JR., HODNE - ALL AYES

MOTION PASSED

Executive Session

The Board entered the executive session at 6:08 p.m., with Borough Attorney Glenn Brown attending for about the first 30 minutes of the session. Superintendent Lougee was asked into the executive session at approximately 7:45 p.m. The executive session ended at 9:11 p.m. and the Board re-entered open session.

Board President Hodne stated that no action was taken in the executive session, but direction had been given to he and Board member Jordan Tabb. The Board's evaluation of the Superintendent had concluded, stated Mr. Hodne.

Board Member Tabb briefly explained the Superintendent evaluation process, by reading the pertinent section from the contract with the Superintendent.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Tabb noted that there had been a lot of public comment to the Board in the last several months. He stated it is the Board's policy to not hear defamatory statements leveled against personnel. There is a grievance process for handling those types of issues, he said.

Mr. Hodne said that members of the public shouldn't feel afraid to approach the Board if other avenues have been exhausted.

Ms. Mattson commented that the district's grievance process can also be used for complaints against Board members.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made and seconded for adjournment. Without objection, the meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Minutes approved as distributed at the April 14, 2021 regular meeting of the Board of Education.

BOARD PRESIDENT
Kim Hodne