

MINUTES – ESPB Special Meeting

Monday, April 26, 2021

Zoom Video Conference

The Education Standards and Practices Board (ESPB) special meeting video conference was called to order at 4:00pm.

Board members present were Andrea Fox, Ben Johnson, Kathy Lentz, Carly Retterath, Jessica Rush, Joshua Standing Elk, Patti Stedman, and Kraig Steinhoff.

Board members Bob Toso, Brenda Tufte, and Superintendent Kirsten Baesler were absent.

Also present by video conference were Executive Director Rebecca Pitkin and Amy Bigelow from ESPB, and Allyson Hicks from Attorney General’s Office

Hanse, James – Kathy Lentz disclosed that she knows Mr. Hanse, but does feel she can be impartial. Board members did not express any concern about her voting. Mr. Hanse has been charged with an offense that could cause his license to be revoked under NDCC15.1-13-26. Attorney Hallyson Hicks recommend that similar to cases in the past, Mr. Hanse be issued a settlement agreement to suspend his license until the outcome of his court case. If he would be convicted, his license would be revoked. Kraig Steinhoff made motion to suspend Mr. Hanse’s license until the outcome of court case has been determined. Motion seconded by Patti Stedman. Board members who voted yes were Andrea Fox, Ben Johnson, Kathy Lentz, Carly Retterath, Jessica Rush, Joshua Standing Elk, Patti Stedman, and Kraig Steinhoff. None opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:03pm.

Chair

Secretary/Executive Director