

## BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Regular Meeting  
Tuesday June 9, 2026  
5:34 pm  
NES Library

Member Gregg called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm Tuesday, June 9, 2026 with a quorum present.

Member Tapqaq led the Pledge of Allegiance in Inupiaq.

Member Gregg read the Nome Public Schools Mission Statement.

### **School Board Members Present:**

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| Marjorie Kunaq Tahbone | Jon Gregg       | Darlene Trigg (Excused) |
| David O'Neill          | Sigvanna Tapqaq |                         |

### **Others in attendance included:**

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|---------------------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| Jamie Burgess             | Genevieve Hollins (via Zoom) |                |
| Elizabeth Korenek-Johnson | Jennifer Shreve              | Jim Shreve     |
| Arianna Crockett O'Hara   | Nicole Santonastaso          | Richard Shreve |
| Teriscovkya Smith         |                              |                |

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Member Tapqaq moved to approve the agenda as presented.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

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|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| Jon Gregg: yes        |                      |                        |

### **SWEARING IN OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER**

Superintendent Burgess swore in David O'Neill to serve in Seat C until October 2026.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Member Tapqaq moved to approve the minutes from Regular Meeting, May 5, 2026; minutes from the Special Meeting May 19, 2026; the May 2026 disbursements; the May 2026 personnel report; and the May 2026 Gifts, Grants and Bequests.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

|                       |                      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

## **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Teriscovkya Smith, NBMHS Principal, thanked the staff members who worked on the science curriculum.

Jennifer Berry, NBMHS Teacher, shared her experience working on the curriculum and that the District should prioritize working on K-12 science curriculum.

## **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Superintendent Burgess reported. The report is attached to the original of these minutes. No discussion followed.

## **INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

Director of Technology, Jim Shreve reported. The report is attached to the original of these minutes. Discussion followed.

CFO, Genevieve Hollins reported. The report is attached to the original of these minutes.

## **SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY**

NONE

## **ACTION ITEMS**

Member Tapqaq moved to approve the Second Read and Adoption of Board Policies. Discussion followed.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

|                       |                      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

Member Tahbone moved to approve the FY27 Drayage Agreement. Discussion followed.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

|                       |                      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

Member O'Neill moved to approve a contract for Tyler Davis for Director of Federal Programs. Discussion followed.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

|                       |                      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

Member O'Neill moved to approve the Special Education Coordinator Contract with Sunshine Consulting, LLC. Discussion followed.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

|                       |                      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

Member Tapqaq moved to approve a one year extension of the FSMC contract with NANA Management Services. Discussion followed.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

|                       |                      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

Member Tapqaq moved to approve the Science Curriculum as presented. Discussion followed.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

|                       |                      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

Member O'Neill moved to approve the nomination of Sigvanna Tapqaq to the AASB Governing Board. Discussion followed.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

|                       |                      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

Member Tapqaq moved to approve the name change of the NPS homeschool program from Extensions Correspondence to Nannut Homeschool. Discussion followed. The motion was amended to the name Nanut Homeschool.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

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|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

Member Tahbone moved to approve the FY27 Board Priorities. Discussion followed.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

|                       |                      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

Member Tapqaq moved to approve the FY27 Handbooks for ACSA and Nanut Homeschool. Discussion followed.

The motion carried by a roll call vote with the following results:

|                       |                      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Marjorie Tahbone: yes | Sigvanna Tapqaq: yes | Darlene Trigg: Excused |
| David O'Neill: yes    | Jon Gregg: yes       |                        |

## **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENT & COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Superintendent Burgess wished everyone a great summer and shared that she would be out of the office for two weeks in July.

Member Tahbone congratulated Member O'Neill for joining the Board and Member Tapqaq for her

AASB Board nomination.

Member Gregg asked about making sure the Board had the calendar of Board meetings to ensure we had a quorum every time.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- August 11, 2026 Regular BOE Meeting; 5:30pm, Nome Elementary School Library
- August 25, 2026 Work Session 5:30pm, Nome Elementary School Library

**ADJOURNMENT**

Member Tapqaq moved to adjourn at 6:27 pm.

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Marjorie Kunaq Tahbone                      Date  
President, Board of Education

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Darlene Trigg                                      Date  
Vice President/Clerk, Board of Education



None.