

ASHEVILLE CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
5:00 p.m. - Work Session - Administrative Offices - Board Room  
**Tuesday, March 16, 2021**

**BE IT REMEMBERED:** That the Asheville City Board of Education met in a special called session on March 16, at 5:00 p.m. at the Administrative Offices in the Board Room located at 85 Mountain Street, Asheville North Carolina, where and when the following business was transacted.

The following Board of Education Members were present:

Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair

Martha Geitner, Vice Chair

Patricia Griffin, Member

Joyce Brown, Member

James Carter, Member

Staff Members Present:

Dr. Gene Freeman, Superintendent; Ashley-Michelle Thublin, Executive Director of Communications, April Dockery, Executive Director of Crisis Management and Operations; Walter Dove, Director of Safety; Melissa Hedt, Chief Accountability Officer; Dr. Mark Dickerson, Executive Director of Human Resources; Matt Whiteside, Director of Instructional Technology and Media; Kimberly Jones, Administrative Assistant.

**OPENING REMARKS**

Shaunda Sandford, Board Chair shared the [meeting notice](#) with the audience and shared details on how the hearing will be conducted.

**THE FOLLOWING AUDIENCE MEMBERS MADE A PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON**

1. Laura DAngelo
2. Pepi Acebo
3. Helen Charbonneau
4. Jensen Gelfond
5. Stacy Claude
6. Kelly Richards
7. Laura Lustig
8. Shifra Ahlers
9. Brittany Wager
10. Susan Jenson
11. Jessica deBettencourt
12. Philip Miller
13. Kate Fisher
14. Marcus Wood
15. Lew Gelfond

16. Courtney Sullivan
17. Brendan Hughes
18. Sara Shea

**THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC COMMENTS WERE SUBMITTED BY EMAIL. THE EMAILS SUBMITTED WILL BE APART OF THE OPEN RECORD.**

**[Asheville Primary School Open Hearing Email Public Comments](#)**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Shaunda Sandford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

  
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Dr. Gene Freeman, Superintendent

  
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James C. Carter, Board Chair