

Board Chair Nathanael O'Hara called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. PRESENT: Nathanael O'Hara, Keith White, Connie Welch, Laura Tucker, and Jennifer James-Wilson. Also present were Superintendent Polm, staff, and community members.

Nathanael O'Hara led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Approval

Keith White moved to approve the agenda. Laura Tucker seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

ASB Representative Henry Veitenhans joined the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Public Comments

Principal Lisa Condran explained the criteria the committee used to rank submitted names for the new elementary school. Melody Skye Eisler, City Library Director, said she was honored to be part of this committee, and appreciated the organization and thoughtfulness of the committee. Ann Healy-Raymond explained some of the concerns the committee had about the name "Discovery". Jason Lynch, Director of Title I, expressed his appreciation for being part of this committee. Jennifer James-Wilson spoke about the name "Discovery". Keith White asked if any research was done about the amount of use of the name "Discovery". Ms. Condran said the committee did do some research about the use of all the names, and found that "Discovery" was a very common name. Mr. O'Hara asked about the geographic area of the Salish Sea. The name Salish was discussed. The board expressed their thanks to the committee for their hard work.

The following individuals spoke regarding the name for the new elementary school:

- Pam Stinson spoke in favor of the name Chetzemoka.
- Kurt Grinnell, tribal councilman of the Jamestown S'Klallam tribe and great-grandson of Chief Chetzemoka, spoke in favor of the name Chetzemoka.

Mr. O'Hara said the board will make a choice for the name of the new elementary school at the March 13, 2017 board meeting.

Ms. James-Wilson asked Mr. Grinnell about the significance of the term "Salish Sea". Mr. Grinnell said that name also has great importance to the Jamestown S'Klallam tribe.

Executive Session

The special meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m. for approximately 20 minutes to an executive session to discuss the performance of a public employee. The executive session was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. and the special meeting reconvened. The special meeting was adjourned by consensus at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Polm, Jr., Secretary

ATTEST: Nathanael O'Hara, Board Chair