

2023 Official Candidate Statement
City & Borough of Juneau, Alaska

Britteny Cioni-Haywood

Candidate: Board of Education



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Age at the date of Election: 53

Occupation: Administrative Operations Manager

Spouse's Name: Scott Haywood

Children's Names: Clayton Haywood

Place of Birth: Springfield, Illinois

Length of Residency in Juneau: 17 years

Communities lived in & dates of residency: Juneau, AK: 2006 - present
Fort Collins, CO: 1999 - 2006
Fayetteville, AR: 1997 – 1999

Education: Missouri State University, BS, Economics, 1992
University of Arkansas, MS, Natural Resource Economics, 1999
IDEO U, Design Thinking Certificate, 2023

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The views expressed in this statement are from the candidate and are not endorsed by the City and Borough of Juneau. The text of this statement was provided by the candidate in accordance with CBJ Code 29.07.055.

Political and Government work: State of Alaska, 2012-present, positions held include: Program Coordinator, Training Officer, Administrative Officer, Director, Budget Analyst, Administrative Operations Manager

Business and Professional Positions: University of Alaska Southeast, 2006-2010 Term Professor of Economics; 2020-present Adjunct Faculty
Sam’s Club, Financial Analyst and Qualitative Research Manager

Service Organization Memberships: Juneau Community Charter School APC (governing board) - 2017-2019; 2022-present
Gold Creek Child Development Center Board - 2013-2017

Special Interests: Photography, Design Thinking, Hiking, Cooking

Biographical Information *[limited to 150 words or less.]:*

I grew up in Southwest Missouri. I have also lived in Fayetteville, Arkansas and Fort Collins, Colorado. I moved to Juneau in 2006 to teach at the University of Southeast (UAS) as a Term Professor of Economics. I fell in love with Juneau and the man who would become my husband. In addition to teaching at UAS, I have held various positions with the State of Alaska, including the Director of Economic Development and my current position, Administrative Operations Manager. I returned to UAS as an adjunct faculty member in 2020. I am currently the Chair of the Juneau Community Charter School (JCCS) APC which is the school’s governing board. I have one son who is a 6th grader at JCCS. I am a life-long learner and just completed four 5-week online courses in strategy and design thinking. I enjoy taking advantage of Juneau’s outdoors, including nature and wildlife photography.

Position Statement *[limited to 250 words or less.]:*

I am an economist by training and have worked within the economic development space. High quality education is a foundation for economic development. All students deserve a primary education that prepares them to pursue a desired career path whether that path follows secondary education, vocational technical training, or on-the-job training. We need to meet students where they are and help them navigate to where they want to go.

As an aspiring futurist I like to work on today's issues while having an eye on the future. Today's disruptive technology will impact students. We must be preparing students with 21st Century skills so they can be successful in rapidly changing environments. Key skills will include critical thinking, creativity, collaboration, and adaptability.

I want to bring my experience with challenging budgets, working in education, and serving on other boards to develop reasonable solutions to issues facing the school district. There are no easy solutions left and this reality will continue until the State of Alaska provides adequate and inflation-proofed funding. I will advocate for increased state funding and encourage others to do as well. It will take the voices of many to secure adequate funding. I will also defend the local contribution made to our district. In the meantime, we need to provide the

Position Statement (continued):

best opportunity possible for all Juneau students. This requires trying to maintain small class sizes, support and retain teaching and staff positions, and provide equitable education opportunities to all students.