

BURNSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT REFUSES TO COMMENT ON RECENT CONTROVERSY



The Burnsville School District is still refusing to comment when asked to explain its reasoning for paying the former director of human resources about \$250,000. It is believed she was paid off to leave her position but many questions have gone unanswered because the district is simply refusing to answer any questions or make any comments on the controversy. A lawyer, instead, spoke out for this school district after a request was made regarding more information about the money that was given to the former human resources director. However, all that the lawyer did say was that Tania Chance, the former human resources director, and the district came to a mutual agreement, terminating the employment relationship that they once had with one another. However, the lawyer did not give an explanation as to what, if anything was the reason for the separation between Chance and the school district, which took place during the month of January. Just six months before the termination took place, Chance signed a contract for a two-year extension and an agreement of receiving a yearly salary worth over \$136,000. Chance works as the human resources director for a year and a half but still had about a year and a half left within her contract. Because the district has been very quiet about the reason for the departure, a lot of speculation has been taking place in the Burnsville area, as people are trying to guess and figure out what the true reason for Chance's departure was. Maggie Wallner, an attorney, said that the agreement for the separation between Chance and the school district took place to help the district with its obligations concerning salaries and benefit. In return, Chance would release the school district of any claims that may have been. Wallner failed to mention what any of those claims could have been. The chairman of the Burnsville school board, Ron Hill, says that he and other district officials have been made aware about the controversy that has been caused after Chance was terminated from her position and received a hefty payout. People on the Internet and in the area were full with questions, wondering if the district failed to do its job when it came to hiring a human resources director. Many of those who commented on the Internet are quite frustrated and are planning to attend the board meeting, which takes place on the 1st of March. In the meantime, Hill refused to comment on why Chance's employment with the school district has ended. Instead, Hill just pointed out that the video Chance posted online prior to her employment had nothing to do with her employment with the school district coming to an end.

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