

# **SITKA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

March 6, 2018 – 7:00 p.m.

Sitka School District

*Superintendent: Dr. Mary Wegner*

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The Sitka School Board meeting was called to order by President, Jennifer McNichol at 7:04 p.m. at the ANB Founders Hall.

## **ROLL CALL**

Members present were, President Jennifer McNichol, Cass Pook, Vice-President; Dionne Brady-Howard, and Elias Erickson. Clerk Eric Van Cise and Student Representative, Quinlyn Holder were absent and excused.

## **APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA**

Mr. Erickson moved, Ms. Pook seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried

## **PERSONS TO BE HEARD**

Matt Groen, Social Studies Teacher at Pacific High School informed the board that students from Pacific High will again be participating in the Rose Urban Rural Exchange, sponsored by the Alaska Humanities Forum. Students from Sitka will be heading to Shaktoolik at the end of March and students from Shaktoolik will be coming to Sitka in April.

Frea Hillaire, Pacific High School parent asked the board about the safety in the schools and how they are helping with the safety of our students. She also expressed her appreciation to Pacific High School staff for their acceptance of students and also encouraged members of the community to not forget about Pacific High School.

## **REPORTS**

- **REPORT FROM SITKA NATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM – NANCY DOUGLAS**
- **REPORT ON THE AASB FLY-IN – JENNIFER MCNICHOL AND ELIAS ERICKSON**

Nancy Douglas, Cultural Director, introduced herself and had members of the cultural team introduce themselves. After introductions the cultural team showed a slide show of the activities that they do with the students in the Sitka School District. There was a brief question and answer session followed by discussion and thanks from the audience.

Mr. Erickson gave an overview of the AASB spring fly-in including the professional development learning Roberts Rules of Order. He also stated that he and President McNichol were busy meeting with legislators on Monday and Tuesday.

## **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

There were no board member reports at this time.

## ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- BUDGET UPDATE – CASSEE OLIN

Cassee Olin, Business Manager gave an overview of the budget update.

- ENROLLMENT UPDATE – MARY WEGNER

Superintendent Wegner informed the board that enrollment is stable at this time.

- SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – MARY WEGNER

Superintendent Wegner thanked the ANB and ANS for welcoming the board into their home. In addition she thanked ANB and ANS for coordinating Elizabeth Peratrovich celebration. She also thanked the families that attended parent teacher conferences.

She congratulated the SHS Battle of the Books team that earned a State title. She also congratulated the SHS Drama, Debate and Forensics team that earned the State titles.

Superintendent Wegner informed the board that she met with City staff about collaborating on our emergency response plans and processes.

Superintendent Wegner gave an overview of the Impact Aid hearing. She also informed the board that the request for proposal on the new student information system closed and that it will be approved at a future meeting.

Superintendent Wegner explained to the board that due to the recent gun violence and the anticipation of a student walk out in protest she will be creating a protocol for staff to follow.

Lastly, she announced that the statewide PEAKS assessment will be open from March 26<sup>th</sup> – April 27<sup>th</sup>.

## CONSENT AGENDA

- APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 1, 2018 MINUTES

Mr. Erickson moved, Ms. Pook seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

- APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 6, 2018 MINUTES

- APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 15, 2018 MINUTES

**NEW BUSINESS**

- **VIII- PL 81-874**  
**IMPACT AID PUBLIC**  
**HEARING**

Ms. Pook moved, Mr. Eliason seconded that the Board go into Public Hearing concerning the Native American Policies and Procedures.

There were comments from the board and the community. Spike Arnold thanked the board for the good progress that has taken place in the school district.

President McNichol returned back to the regular meeting.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND**  
**INFORMATION**

There was no correspondence.

**FUTURE AGENDA**  
**ITEMS/UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **AASB LEGISLATIVE**  
**FLY-IN – March 24-27,**  
**2018**
- **BUDGET HEARINGS**

Raven Radio Call In – March 21, 2018- 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.  
Work Session – March 29, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.- DO Board Room  
Final Budget Hearing and Budget Approval – April 17, 2018- 6:00 p.m. – DO Board Room

**ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Brady-Howard moved, Mr. Erickson seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m. Motion carried.

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Jennifer McNichol, President

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Eric Van Cise, Clerk