

SITKA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

May 1, 2019 – 6:00 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 6:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present were, President Jennifer McNichol, Dionne Brady-Howard, Amy Morrison, and Student Representative Joseph Pate. Vice-President Elias Erickson joined the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Clerk Eric Van Cise was absent and excused. The meeting was quorate.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA

Ms. Brady-Howard moved, Ms. Morrison seconded to approve the board agenda as presented. Motion carried.

RECOGNITIONS

- **RECOGNIZE JODY SMOTHERS-MARCELLO**

President McNichol presented a Certificate of Distinction to Jody Smothers-Marcello for being chosen a 2019 BP Teacher of Excellence.

- **RECOGNIZE SITKA HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL TEAM**

Ms. Brady-Howard presented a Certificate of Achievement to the Sitka High School Mock Trial Team. The team placed 1st and 4th at the State Championship.

- **RECOGNIZE SITKA HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL**

Ms. Morrison presented a Certificate of Achievement to the Sitka High School Boys Basketball team for winning the 2018-19 Region V Basketball.

- **RECOGNIZE FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVERS TEAM**

President McNichol presented a Certificate of Achievement to the 5 Future Problem Solvers teams who went to the State Bowl. The Keet Gooshi Heen team took 1st in Global Issues Problem Solving and 1st in Presentation of Action Plan, Junior Division. The Blatchley Middle School team came in 3rd in Global Issues Problem Solving, Middle Division. The Sitka High School team came in 1st in Global Issues Problem Solving, 1st in Presentation of Action Plan, Senior Division, 2nd in Global Issues Problem Solving and 2nd in Presentation of Action Plan, Middle Division.

- **RECOGNIZE ACT+IT PEER MENTOR TEACHERS**

President McNichol presented certificates to teachers Jacki Horton, Jule Peterson, Jamie Eells, Jeff Hole, Jennifer Tulloh and Kristine Hole for successfully completing the ACT+IT Peer Mentor program.

- **RECOGNIZE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE**

President McNichol presented a Certificate of Appreciation to School Board Student Representative Joseph Pate for his contribution to the board during the 2018-19 school year.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Sitka High School Principal Laura Rogers thanked Families for Schools for all their advocacy during the budget season and providing a delicious meal to the SHS Staff at the April 26th in-service day.

REPORTS

- **REPORT ON MAP GROWTH**

Co-assistant Superintendent Sarah Ferrency, Principals Laura Rogers, Ben White, Jill Lecrone and Casey Demmert gave a report on MAP Growth.

- **REPORT ON SITKA HIGH SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS**

Principal Laura Rogers gave a report on the highlights of the 2018-2019 school year at Sitka High School.

- **REPORT ON EARLY CHILDHOOD SURVEY**

Kari Sagel gave a report on the results of the Early Childhood Survey.

- **REPORT ON ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE**

President McNichol gave a report on the April 15, 2019 Activities Committee Meeting .

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Ms. Brady-Howard reported that Pacific High School did not receive a grant, which means that there will be no counselor for the 2019-20 school year.

Ms. Morrison thanked Sitka Fine Arts Camp for partnering on the PAC MOA. She also thanked Paula Scott, USI and Premera for the work on lowering Health Insurance Premiums for the School District. Lastly, she thanked the community and staff for working together in a positive way during the budget season.

Mr. Erickson had nothing to report.

Mr. Pate had nothing to report.

President McNichol thanked all who were supportive of the public process. President McNichol informed the board that she was interviewed by a representative of the Rand Corporation concerning land slide issues in Sitka. It was reported that installation of sensors will begin this summer.

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 student enrollment is holding steady at 1214.5
- **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT –MARY WEGNER** Superintendent Wegner congratulated Sitka High School Social Studies Teacher Jody Smothers-Marcello for being honored as a 2019 BP Teacher of Excellence. She also thanked retiree Gretchen Matiatos for her decades of service.
 Superintendent Wegner thanked students, staff, families and community members for advocating for funding for our schools. She also thanked all who participated in the successful administration of the PEAKS assessment.
 Superintendent Wegner noted that DEED conducted an audit of our Title programs in April. She extended thanks to all who participated in the audit, and a special thanks to Co-Superintendent Sarah Ferrency for her effective oversight of the programs.
 Superintendent thanked Business Manager Cassee Olin for her many hours of hard work during the budget process and union negotiations.
 Lastly, Superintendent Wegner noted that her full report is available on the web site to read in its entirety.

CONSENT AGENDA

- **APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 3, 2019 MINUTES** Mr. Erickson moved, Ms. Brady-Howard seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- **APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 12, 2019 MINUTES**
- **APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 17, 2019 MINUTES.**

NEW BUSINESS

- **APPROVAL OF SITKA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT** Ms. Brady-Howard moved, Mr. Pate seconded to approve the Sitka Education Association Negotiated Agreement as presented.
 A roll call vote was required.

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Erickson	
Pate	
Brady-Howard	
McNichol	
Morrison	

 Motion carried.

- **APPROVAL OF BP 0410
NONDISCRIMINATION IN
DISTRICT PROGRAMS &
ACTIVITIES – FIRST
READING**

Ms. Morrison moved, Mr. Pate seconded to approve BP 0410 Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities in First Reading. Motion carried.

- **APPROVAL OF BP 4112.4,
4212.4, 4312.4 HEALTH
EXAMINATIONS – FIRST
READING**

Mr. Erickson moved, Mr. Pate seconded to approve BP 4112.4, 4212.4, 4312.1 Health Examinations in First Reading. Motion carried.

- **DISCUSSION ON
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
INPUT PLAN**

A discussion was held on the Community Schools RFP. Focus groups will be held to gather ideas on what Community Schools could look like. Direction was given to Superintendent Wegner to put out a PSA to ask for additional input from the community.

**CORRESPONDENC AND
INFORMATION**

There was no correspondence.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **NEXT REGULAR BOARD
MEETING**
- **IMPORTANT DATES**

The next regular board meeting is June 19, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

- Sitka High School Awards Ceremony – May 13, 2019
- Pacific High School Graduation May 16, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sheet’Ka Kwann Naa Kahidi Community House
- Sitka High School Graduation May 20, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the SHS Gymnasium
- Blatchley Middle School Rites of Passage May 23, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in the BMS Gymnasium

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

Jennifer McNichol, President

Eric Van Cise, Clerk