

# SITKA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

June 20, 2018 – 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, Cass Pook, Vice-President, Eric Van Cise, Clerk, Dionne Brady-Howard, and Elias Erickson.

## **APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA**

Elias Erickson moved, Cass Pook seconded to approve the board agenda as presented. Motion carried.

## **RECOGNITIONS**

- **RECOGNIZE THE BMS INSIDE/OUT STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHERS** Kari Sagel recognized Geraldo Gee, Isabelle Williams, Michele Winger, and Cindy Ricaporte the photographers for the Inside/Out project. The student photographers also participated in the Day of Caring and documented that project as well.

## **PERSONS TO BE HEARD**

Kenny Winger reported that a member of the Elks Club had obtained 2 grants. The first one allowed them to purchase and fill 50 backpacks that were then donated to Baranof Elementary School. The second grant allowed the Elks to purchase healthy snacks that were donated to Baranof Elementary School and Blatchley Middle School.

Kari Sagel advocated for the need to have a full time qualified librarian at Blatchley Middle School. Ms. Sagel stated that the next best option would be a paraprofessional to staff the library and keep it open during the day.

## **REPORTS**

- **SHS MATH CURRICULUM** Laura Rogers, Sitka High School principal, gave an overview of the math curriculum – review and realignment for the 2018-19 school year. There was a lengthy question and answer session.
- **SHS ACCREDITATION UPDATE** Laura Rogers, Sitka High School principal, gave a summary of the progress Assessment Report submitted in April to Alaska AdvancED Council.

- **EMERGENCY  
OPERATION PLAN**

Pam Stahla-Kernin presented an update on the progress of the Sitka School District's Emergency operation plan.

## **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Dionne Brady-Howard and Elias Erickson had nothing to report.

Mr. Van Cise stated that while the budget process had its challenges, he felt that the work done with staff and city resulted in good progress and forward thinking results. Mr. Van Cise commented that graduation was nice and it was great to give his son his diploma. He also congratulated Mike Kernin on the final band performance.

Ms. Pook apologized for not attending the graduation ceremony, she was in an intensive college class. She also reported that she will be attending the July AASB Board of Director's meeting in Girdwood.

President McNichol stated that the May 16<sup>th</sup> STA work session had many positive highlights and she appreciated the interaction with the tribal council. She gave commendation to Phil Burdick for the work and effort he has put into building programs and relationships with the STA. President McNichol also attended Tom Conley's celebration of life at SEARHC. She said Cass Pook and Tim Fulton shared memories of his service, which was very much appreciated by his family. President McNichol had the pleasure of being a chaperone on the Guatemala trip. The students were great and represented Sitka well throughout the entire trip. She said it was fun to see the students embrace the Spanish language opportunities.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

- **SUPERINTENDENT  
REPORT – MARY  
WEGNER**

Superintendent Wegner congratulated all of the 92 graduates from Sitka High School and Pacific High School.

Superintendent Wegner gave extra kudos to the students and staff at Blatchley Middle School for the Inside/Out project.

Superintendent Wegner thanked Ralph Samuels from Holland America and Fred Reeder from Cruise Line Agencies of Alaska for hosting up to 50 Sitka School teachers and staff for lunch and a tour of the Eurodam on May 30<sup>th</sup>. This past year Ralph was able to work with some students in classrooms to talk about jobs in the tourism industry, and Holland America sponsored several student scholarships.

Superintendent Wegner was sad to report that the School District will not be awarded the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Afterschool Learning Center grant. Sitka School District has been the recipient of this grant for a number of years and have had very successful grant implementations. The school district will try again in future years to obtain the grant. Parents of students eligible for participation in the afterschool and summer activities are being notified that the programing will not be offered after June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Superintendent Wegner informed the board about the upcoming Culture Camps happening this summer for elementary, middle, and high school students.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- **APPROVAL OF May 1, 2018 MINUTES** Elias Erickson moved, Cass Pook seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- **APPROVAL OF TENURE AND NON-TENURE TEACHER CONTRACTS** A roll call vote was required.
- **APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACTS**

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
McNichol	
Pook	
Van Cise	
- **APPROVAL OF BP 4115 EVALUATION/SUPERVISOR ON-SECOND READING**

	Brady-Howard
	Erickson

Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- **APPROVAL OF FY18 FINAL BUDGET REVISION** Eric Van Cise moved, Cass Pook seconded to approve the FY18 final budget in the amount of \$22,455,911. A question and answer session ensued.

A roll call vote was required.

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
McNichol	
Pook	
Van Cise	
Brady-Howard	
Erickson	

Motion carried.

- **REVIEW CODE OF ETHICS 4119.21 EXHIBIT**

The exhibit is updated to reflect the Alaska Department of Education & Early Development's September 2017 revision.

- **SET THE DATE FOR THE AUGUST WORK SESSION**

The board participated in a Doodle poll and it was decided that the work session for the Communication plan would be August 7, 2018.

- **SET AUGUST SCHOOL BOARD MEETING DATE**

The board decided that the August board meeting will be August 29, 2018. In the same discussion the September board meeting was set for September 12, 2018

- **DISCUSSION OF THE OCTOBER DATE FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD GOAL SETTING SESSION**

The board participated in a Doodle poll and it was decided that the School Board Goal Setting session would be October 5 & 6, 2018.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- **APPROVAL OF BB 9320 MEETINGS**

Elias Erickson moved, Cass Pook seconded to approve Board Bylaw 9320 as presented. Motion carried.

### **CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION**

There was no correspondence or additional information.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- **STAFF WELCOMING AUGUST 16, 2018**
- **SCHOOL BOARD GOAL SETTING OCTOBER 5-6, 2018**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

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Jennifer McNichol, President

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Eric Van Cise, Clerk