

SITKA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

June 24, 2015, 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 Lon Garrison at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present were, Lon Garrison, president; Tim Fulton, Clerk; Cass Pook and Tom Conley. Jennifer Robinson absent and excused.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA

President Garrison requested to add Item J Approval of Certificated Evaluation Continuous Growth System in First Reading. Mr. Conley moved, Ms. Pook seconded to approve the revised agenda. Motion carried.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Elaina Gustufson, Sitka's Against Family Violence, she updated and thanked the board for their partnership with the SAFV shelter. She also informed the board that she will be transitioning out of the position and encourages the district to continue working with SAFV and the new Erin's Law requirements.

Rob Parsons, science teacher at Sitka High School, shared the SBA science scores and the trends over the years. The board had comments about the different opportunities in the science department.

REPORTS

- **EDUCATOR EVALUATION UPDATE – PHIL BURDICK**

Phil Burdick, Co-Assistant Superintendent, updated the board on the educator evaluation. He explained that there had been a lot of work completed on the evaluation and that it is still in process of teachers and administrators being educated on the implementation.

- **CLERK'S REPORT**

Mr. Fulton announced that he gave out 2 Wooh.een Yei Jigxtoonei cards to staff for their outstanding support of students in the district.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Conley informed the board that he had been sick and had nothing to report.

Mr. Fulton explained that the policy committee wrapped up for the year and would be continuing on in the Fall. He also gave an overview of the process that the activities committee has begun. He stated that the activities at Blatchley Middle School are not costing the District a considerable amount so they will not be cutting

activities at Blatchley. However, Sitka High School is not that easy of a decision and will be a continued discussion in the Fall. He also stated that no changes will be occurring during the 2015-16 school year.

President Garrison reported that he attended the National Forest Schools and Counties Coalition board meeting. He gave an overview of the meeting and informed the board that the coalition will continue.

CONSENT AGENDA

- APPROVAL OF MAY 6, 2015 Mr. Fulton moved, Ms. Pook seconded to approve the consent agenda as amended by moving Approval of Co-Assistant Superintendents Contracts to new business.
- APPROVAL OF CO-ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS CONTRACTS A roll call vote was required.
- APPROVAL OF TENURED TEACHER CONTRACTS Yes No
Fulton
Conley
Pook
Garrison
- APPROVAL OF NON-TENURED TEACHER CONTRACTS Motion carried.
- APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACTS

NEW BUSINESS:

- APPROVAL OF CO-ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACTS Mr. Fulton moved, Mr. Conley seconded to approve the approval of co-assistant superintendent contracts. There were positive comments from the board.
A roll call vote was required.
Yes No
Fulton
Conley
Pook
Garrison
Motion carried.
- DISCUSSION OF BMS MUSIC TRAVEL Superintendent Wegner gave an overview of Mike Kernin's , Blatchley Middle School music teacher, wishes to possibly take students to a different venue. The board agreed to have Mr. Kernin continue to research other possibilities, but will need to

come to the board if he goes somewhere else besides the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival.

- **APPROVAL OF POOL FEE INCREASES**

Mr. Fulton moved, Mr. Conley moved to approve the pool fee increases with review by the board at least every two years. Superintendent Wegner gave a brief overview of the changes and then asked business manager Cassee Olin to speak on the process that occurred to create the changes. There were questions from the board.

A roll call vote was required.

Yes No
Fulton
Conley
Pook
Garrison

Motion carried.

- **APPROVAL OF FY15 FINAL BUDGET REVISION**

Mr. Fulton moved, Ms. Pook seconded to approve the FY15 Final Budget Revision. A question and answer session ensued.

A roll call vote was required.

Yes No
Fulton
Conley
Pook
Garrison

Motion carried.

- **APPROVAL OF AUDIT RFP**

Mr. Fulton move, Ms. Pook Seconded to award BDO USA, LLP. the three year contract to perform the annual district audit in the amount of \$86,300 annually. There was a brief discussion.

A roll call vote was required.

Yes No
Fulton
Conley
Pook
Garrison

Motion carried.

- **APPROVAL OF REVISION TO BP 5141.4**

Mr. Fulton moved, Mr. Conley seconded to approve revision of BP5141.4 Child Abuse and Neglect in first reading. There were

**CHILD ABUSE AND
NEGLECT – FIRST
READING**

comments from the audience about the new Erin’s Law and how this training will be required for implementation. Motion carried.

- **REVIEW OF REVISION
TO AR 5141.4 CHILD
ABUSE AND NEGLECT**

There were no recommended changes.

- **APPROVAL OF
REVISION TO BP6010
STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT –FIRST
READING**

Mr. Conley moved, Mr. Fulton seconded to approve revision to BP6010 Student Achievement in first reading. There was a lengthy discussion about how to figure out the date that is required to be decided by the board. After the discussion the board voted to table this item until September. Motion carried to table BP 6010.

- **APPROVAL OF BP6155
CLASS
EXAMINATIONS/CHAL
LENGING COURSES BY
EXAMINATION – FIRST
READING**

Mr. Fulton moved, Mr. Conley seconded to approve BP 6155 Class Examination/Challenging Courses by Examination in first reading. Motion carried.

- **REVIEW OF AR 6155
CLASS
EXAMINATIONS/CHAL
LENGING COURSES BY
EXAMINATION**

There were no recommended changes.

- **APPROVAL OF
CERTIFICATED
EVALUATION
CONTINUOUS
GROWTH SYSTEM
PLAN (AKA EDUCATOR
EVALUATION PLAN) –
FIRST READING**

Mr. Conley moved, Mr. Fulton seconded to approve the certificated evaluation continuous growth system plan (aka educator evaluation plan) in first reading. There were questions from the board. Motion carried.

- **SET AUGUST SCHOOL
BOARD MEETING
DATE**

After a brief discussion the board decided that the August board meeting will be on August 26th at 6 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

**ADMINISTRATIVE
REPORTS:**

- **SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT – DR. MARY
WEGNER**

Superintendent Wegner reported that the end of the school year wrapped up. She also expressed that she was pleased that the district was able to put more money into reserves by tightening up the budget. She congratulated the girls’ softball team for their win at the state tournament.

Superintendent Wegner notified the board of some staff changes to administration.

She informed that board that 17 teachers attended the Art, Culture and Technology Institute that was held here in Sitka. She said it was a very exciting institute and the teachers will be continuing their endeavor throughout the year.

Superintendent Wegner informed the board about the many partnerships activities that are taking place this summer including culture camps with Sitka Tribe of Alaska and Sitka Historical Park.

She wanted to thank members of the activities and policy committees for their work this year. She also thanked Shellie Dunn and Cassee Olin for their work on the pool fee increases.

Superintendent Wegner stated that Sitka Tribe of Alaska will be holding their annual picnic on the Baranof Elementary School playground and that the SEACC building will be open for elders.

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

The board shared a thank you letter from Catherine Hawk.

Mr. Fulton also wanted to thank Lyle Sparrowgrove for attending a math meeting with the REACH parents.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND MEETING DATES

The board was reminded that the opening ceremonies will be held on August 20th at 9:00 a.m. in the Performing Arts Center.

The board also set the time for the board goal setting being held on August 28th and 29th. The goal setting will begin on August 28th at 4:00 p.m. in the District Office board room and resuming at 9:00 a.m. on the 29th.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fulton moved, Ms. Pook seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 p.m. Motion carried.

Lon Garrison, President

Tim Fulton, Clerk