CALL TO ORDER

The Sitka School Board meeting was called to order by President Garrison at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present were president, Lon Garrison, Tim Fulton, clerk, Tom Conley, and Nicole Seehafer. Tonia Rioux and vice president, Cass Pook, was absent and excused.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA

Mr. Garrison requested adding Report on Round Table on Native Education Conference. Ms. Seehafer moved, MR. Fulton seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Jean Arnold, ANS Vice-President, thanked the board and administration for coming to the ANB Hall.

Jerry Hope, ANB president encouraged the board with the continuation of native hire and the rehiring of an employee to replace the cultural director in the Sitka School District. He announced that the ANB hall will be celebrating the 100 year anniversary at the Centennial Hall October 3-6, 2012. He also requested that students and staff be encouraged to attend. He also announced that there will be a clan conference April 29-May 1, 2012. He requested that students be encouraged to attend by paying students attendance.

Gary Lang, Cultural Center Director, explained that the response from students and parents has been very supportive at the cultural center. He stated that there are many programs that are supported by the school district by having students attend the demonstration. Mr. Lang stated that he would like to begin a program that would include students and families to come together on an evening where youth, elders can share in a potluck and share stories, songs, dance, carving and the arts. This would be a community event that could be done on a monthly or more often basis.

Nancy Douglas, Sitka Tribe of Alaska Education Director, shared that she attended the SeaAlaska Heritage Language Conference and was able to visit the legislators with Elders to speak on behalf of HB 254 and SB 130 which is to establish a task force for language.
Kathy Hope Erickson, director of Sitka Native Education Program (SNEP), gave an overview of SNEP and the tutoring program. She explained the history of SNEP and the benefits of the tutoring program in the district. She informed the board that with these activities.

Tristan Guevin, Sitka Native Education Program Interim Director, introduced the instructors and members of the parent committee. He described the variety of activities that are being done in the community that is focusing on Tlingit language. This language focus has been done with 13 preschoolers and 17 kindergarteners in a Tlingit class and having them going out into the community and to the cultural center. He explained that all of the activities that SNEP is working on including Summer programs, and the work at the cultural center with students are all protective factors to help with the success of students in school. He also explained that the partnership with the school district, Sitka Tribe of Alaska and Sitka Against Family Violence is essential for the success of SNEP.

Phil Burdick, vice president of the SNEP parent committee, stated that the parent committee is a program that has been around for 32 years and that they are holding on to an amazing program. He stated that the program is there to make sure traditions and relationships are upheld.

Mr. Conley explained that the house finance committee is needing support from parents in the community. He encouraged citizens to write letters to the legislature.

Mr. Fulton moved, Mr. Conley seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Mr. Fulton moved, Mr. Conley seconded to move the Board go into Public Hearing concerning the Native American Policies and Procedures specifically to discuss Title VII- PL 8-874 Impact Aid hearing. Motion carried.

There were no comments from the audience.
President Garrison moved the meeting back into regular session

- **APPROVAL OF OUT OF STATE TRAVEL FOR PACIFIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

  Mr. Conley moved, Mr. Fulton seconded to approve Pacific High School students to travel out of state to visit Expeditionary Learning Schools. Mandy Summer, English teacher at Pacific High School, working with the student leadership group to decide how to use the behavioral health grant funds. Student, Veronica Nelson stated that there will be a culmination at the end of the trip. Motion carried to approve travel to visit Expeditionary Learning Schools.

- **REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF BP 5131.1 AND AR 5131.1 BUS CONDUCT**

  Superintendent Bradshaw stated that he has been working with the bus company on requiring students to be separated on the bus by schools. He also is recommending that if a high school age student is on the bus that they are required to sit up front next to the driver. Superintendent Bradshaw explained that the district’s attorney Ann Gifford would be making revisions to the policy and administrative regulations.

- **DISCUSSION OF CRISIS RESPONSE PLAN AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURE MANUAL**

  The board decided that they would be discussing crisis response planning and the emergency procedure manual at their goal setting in August.

- **APPROVAL OF LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER CONTRACT**

  Mr. Fulton moved, Mr. Conley seconded to approve Leah Boeschling as the long term substitute for Melissa Robbins.

  A roll call vote was required.

  Yes  No
  Fulton  Garrison  Conley  Seehafer

  Motion carried.

- **APPROVAL OF 2012-13 CALENDAR**

  Mr. Conley moved, Mr. Fulton seconded to approve the 2012-13 calendar as presented. Motion carried.

- **APPROVAL OF SUPPORT FOR PASSAGE OF SB171 AN INCREASE IN THE BASE STUDENT ALLOCATION**

  Mr. Conley moved, Mr. Fulton seconded to approve support for passage of SB 171 an increase in the base student allocation. Motion carried.

- **APPROVAL OF**
SB3 and HB135 Funding for School Meals. Motion carried.

- APPROVAL OF SUPPORT FOR SB182 INCREASED FUNDING FOR STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Conley moved, Mr. Fulton seconded to approve support for SB182 increased funding for student transportation. Motion carried.

- APPROVAL OF OPPOSITION TO HJR16 AND HB145 STATE FUNDING PRIVATE AND SECULAR EDUCATION

Mr. Conley moved, Ms. Seehafer seconded to approve opposition to HJR 16 and BH 145 State Funding for private and secular education. Motion carried.

- APPROVAL OF SUPPORT OF RESOLUTION SB130 NATIVE LANGUAGE

Mr. Fulton moved, Mr. Conley seconded to approve support of resolution SB130 native language. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- ENROLLMENT UPDATE – STEVE BRADSHAW

Superintendent Bradshaw stated that the enrollment is holding very steady at this point.

- BUDGET UPDATE – DAVID ARP

Mr. Arp explained that the budget is currently right where it needs to be.

- SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – STEVE BRADSHAW

Superintendent Bradshaw thanked ANB/ANS for allowing the district to hold their meeting at the hall. He also thanked Herman Davis for speaking at the meeting and expressed his admiration towards Mr. Davis. Superintendent Bradshaw announced that Jean Arnold, school nurse would be retiring at the end of this school year. He thanked Ms. Arnold for her many years of service.

There was no additional correspondence.

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

Mr. Fulton stated that he attended the presentation by Ishmil Hope that was sponsored by the librarians. He also explained that the Clan Conference would be in town at the end of the month. Mr. Fulton shared that he would be attending a meeting at Sitka Tribe. He thanked ANB/ANS for the warm welcoming. He also congratulated the basketball teams and the cheerleading squad. He
also congratulated the drama debate team and the mock trial teams for their success at the state meet.

Mr. Conley thanked ANB/ANS for their support during this event. He also congratulated the teams for their wins. He also stated that the concussion policy would be ready for the April meeting.

Ms. Sechafer stated that there was going to be a basketball game played by the staff from Sitka High and Mt. Edgecumbe High sponsored by the Sitka High and Mt. Edgecumbe High school student government to earn money for the girls in Afghanistan.

Mr. Garrison thanked ANB/ANS for their hospitality. He also encouraged members of the community to lobby the legislature. Lastly he stated that it would be important to have community members testify during the house finance committee meeting at the legislative information office.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS  
AND MEETING DATES

- **RAVEN RADIO INTERVIEW, MARCH 7, 2012 AT 8:00 A.M.**

- **BUDGET HEARINGS**
  - **BUDGET WORK SESSION, MARCH 8, 2012 @ 7:00 P.M. IN DO BOARD ROOM**
  - **FINAL BUDGET HEARING AND APPROVAL, MARCH 19, 2012 @ 7:00 P.M. IN DO BOARD ROOM**
  - **JOINT SCHOOL BOARD/ASSEMBLY WORK SESSION, APRIL 12, 2012 @ 6:00 P.M. @**
Mr. Conley moved, Mr. Fulton seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 p.m. Motion carried.

Lon Garrison, President

Tim Fulton, Clerk
Work session – spring - long term fiscal plan
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