CALL TO ORDER

The Sitka School Board meeting was called to order by President Lon Garrison at 7:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present were, President, Lon Garrison, Vice-President Tim Fulton, Clerk, Cass Pook, Tonia Rioux, and Jesseca Bartelds, student representative. Jennifer Robinson was absent and excused.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA

Mr. Fulton moved, Ms. Bartelds seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

RECOGNITIONS:

• RECOGNITION OF THE OF SITKA HIGH SCHOOL LADY WOLVES BASKETBALL

Mr. Fulton presented a plaque to the Sitka High Wolves Lady Wolves Basketball team. Coach Rich Krupa gave an overview of the outstanding season.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

Volney Smith, community member spoke regarding his concern about Common Core. He spoke on how Common Core requirements are concerning with the government as a progressive takeover of education.

Eunice James, community member spoke on her belief that there should be Tlingit language offered district wide. She is currently doing her practicum and would like to see it offered throughout the district.

Linda Moreland, community member had several concerns regarding the education of students specifically why students are not taught about holidays like Veteran’s Day. She also expressed her concerns about how students are not even able to count back change and have little to no people skills.

SPECIAL REPORTS

• REPORT ON AASB FLY-IN

President Garrison spoke on the activity that was occurring in Juneau with the legislature. He stated that there was no extra education funding in the budget at this time. He also stated that they visited 30 different legislators on one day
and 14 the other day. President Garrison also stated that there were 12 scholarships given out of 80 applicants.

Ms. Pook also expressed her appreciation to attend the fly in and speak with the legislators. She also said she enjoyed reviewing the 80 scholarship applications for the June Nelson Scholarship committee.

CONSENT AGENDA

- APPROVAL OF MARCH 12, 2013 MINUTES
- APPROVAL OF BP 5144 DISCIPLINE – SECOND READING

NEW BUSINESS:

- APPROVAL OF SITKA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION 2013-16 NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT

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

Mr. Fulton moved, Ms. Pook seconded to approve the Sitka Education Association 2013-16 negotiated agreement as presented. Superintendent Bradshaw spoke about the different changes that were done in the Sitka Education Association negotiated agreement.

A roll call vote was required.

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Motion carried.

Ms. Rioux moved, Ms. Bartelds seconded to move to approve purchasing a van for Sitka High School not to exceed $30,000.

A roll call vote was required.

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Motion carried.
ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- ENROLLMENT UPDATE

Superintendent Bradshaw stated that the enrollment is holding steady he stated that he was not concerned with the number that the board has selected for the budget.

- BUDGET UPDATE

There are concerns regarding the budget at this time.

- SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE – STEVE BRADSHAW

Superintendent Bradshaw announced that he would be attend the Education Northwest Board meeting at Alyeska during spring break. He also informed the board that his final meeting will be in June and thanked the school board for this opportunity to be on the Education Northwest Board.

Superintendent Bradshaw expressed his thanks for the information on Veteran’s Day and stated that he was going to speak to the government teachers at the high school regarding teaching items.

He also thanked Sitka Education Association for successful negotiations. He also thanked Sitka Education Support Personnel Association for their cooperation in negotiations.

Superintendent Bradshaw attended a meeting on teacher retention and training at the University of Alaska Juneau campus.

He also informed the Board that Tlingit Language has been moved from Sitka High School due to low enrollment in the classes and the funding has been used for a cultural program for preschoolers and kindergarteners to support Native Language at that age. He also informed the Board that Ben White, BMS principal, has been working to get Native carving at the middle school.

CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION:

BOARD COMMENTS:

After a lengthy discussion it was decided that the board would cancel the work session on April 16th and have the math discussion on the May 21st work session. It was also decided that the technology discussion would be held at the June meeting during a work session. The final
discussion item will be activity absences which President Garrison requested be added to the regular discussion during the May meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND MEETING DATES:

- **RAVEN RADIO INTERVIEW**

- **BOARD WORK SESSION, APRIL 16, 2013 AT 7:00 P.M.**

- **BOARD WORK SESSION, MAY 21 AT 7:00 P.M.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- **SESPA NEGOTIATIONS**

   Mr. Fulton moved, Ms. Robison seconded to go into executive session in accordance with and under the provisions of AS 44.62.310 (c)(1) & (4), the immediate knowledge of which could clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the district. The matter to be discussed is Sitka Support Personnel Association Negotiations. Motion carried.

   The board returned to regular session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fulton moved, Ms. Robinson seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 p.m. Motion carried.

Lon Garrison, President                   Cass Pook, Clerk