Sitka School Board Meeting

September 10, 2013

7:00 p.m. - Regular Board Meeting

District Office Board Room

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2012-13 Board Goals

Goal - The Board will engage the community in defining and implementing a valued public education.

Goal - The School District will work towards losing the achievement gap for students who qualify as low income.

Goal - Define a process for which curriculum is reviewed and reported.

Goal - The Board will support staff in tangible ways to further develop their skills in the art and science of teaching.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR THE BOARD

1. The Board's primary focus is student achievement and success.
2. Every effort will be made to maintain a comprehensive educational program.
3. Securing adequate resources is essential to the district's ability to support its program.
4. The Board will promote the shared responsibility of education with parents, community and students.
5. There will be a consistent effort to eliminate barriers to learning for all students.
6. The Board will maintain an awareness of the impact of change on staff as they make decisions for the district.
7. The Board will implement a technology supported educational program that promotes creativity, individualism and diversity.
8. The Board recognizes the importance and value of early childhood development and education on student achievement and success.
Sitka School Board Meeting  
September 10, 2013  
7:00 p.m. School Board Meeting  
Sitka High School Library  

*Proposed Agenda*

1. Call to Order  
2. Flag Salute  
3. Roll Call  
4. Approval of the Proposed Agenda  
5. Swear in Student Representative – JD Murphy  
6. Recognitions  
   a. Recognition of Kristin Homer and Elana Gustafson  
   b. Recognition of State Fish Art Contest Winners  
   c. Introduction of New Teachers  
7. Persons To Be Heard  
8. Special Reports  
   a. Report on Board Goal Setting  
   b. Report on Preschool  
9. Consent Agenda (These items will be considered in a single motion and will not be discussed unless an item is requested to be taken off the consent agenda by a Board Member)  
   a. Approval of August 15, 2013 minutes  
   b. Approval of New Teacher Contracts  
10. Executive Session  
   a. HSGQE Waivers  
11. New Business  
   a. Approval of HSGQE Waivers  
   b. Approval of Guatemala Travel  
   c. Acceptance of Superintendent Bradshaw's Resignation  
   d. Approval of 2014 Legislative Priorities  
12. Administrative Reports:  
   a. Enrollment Update – Mary Wegner  
   b. Budget Update – Cassee Olin  
   c. Assistant Superintendent Update – Mary Wegner  
13. Correspondence and Information (Separate Packet)  
14. Board Comments/Discussion  
15. Future Agenda Items and Meeting Dates  
   a. Raven Radio Interview, September 11, 2013 at 8:00 a.m.  
   b. School Board Work Session, September 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. – AASB Resolutions  
   c. Fall Boardmanship Academy, September 21 and 22, 2013  
   d. AASB Fall Conference, November 7-10, 2013  
16. Adjournment
6.a. Recognition of Kristin Homer and Elana Gustafson

Last year, Kristen Homer and Elana Gustafson stepped up in a big way for the 8th grade students of Blatchley Middle School. Realizing there was going to be no sexual education curriculum last year, they contacted the administration and developed then implemented several days of OUTSTANDING instruction! Without their support, knowledge and efforts, it would not have been possible. Furthermore, they continue to work closely with Blatchley Middle School toward the goal of a school-wide comprehensive health education curriculum. The staff and students of BMS greatly appreciate all they have done!

6.b. Recognition of State Fish Art Contest Winners

Karoline Bekeris will be at the meeting to help introduce the winners.

Grades K-3
1st place in Alaska: Carl Coloma
(then a 3rd grader)
2nd place in Alaska: Krystal Joy
Coloma (then a 3rd grader)
3rd place in Alaska: Jedidiah Llenado
(then a 1st grader)

Grades 4-6
1st place in Alaska: Adrian Aviles
(then a 4th grader)
3rd place in Alaska: Mark Sarmiento
(then a 4th grader)

Grades 7-9
1st place in Alaska: Gian Carlo
Coloma (then a 9th grader)

The artwork can be seen at www.statefishart.org
They sent me color copies of the art by Krystal Joy and Jedidiah. Hopefully they sent all the 1st place winners their original artwork.

6.c. Introduction of New Teachers

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<td>Amanda Duvall</td>
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Special Report

8.a. Report on Board Goal Setting

8.b. Report on Preschool

Tristan, Mary and Kathi Yanamura will be giving the board an overview of the preschool program.

Consent Agenda

9.a. Approval of August 15, 2013
9.b. Approval of New Teacher Contracts

"I move to approve the consent agenda as presented."

Administrative Response

Executive Session

10.a. HSGQE Waiver

"I move the board 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 prejudice the reputation and character of a person or persons. The matters to be discussed are High School Graduation Qualifying Exam Waivers.

Return to regular session.

Administrative Response

New Business

11.a. Approval of HSGQE Waivers

"I move to approve a HSGQE Waiver for student # 17609 based on passing the Idaho Standards Achievement Tests."

"I move to approve a HSGQE Waiver for student # 132659 based on passing the Arizona Instrument to Measure Standards – High School."

11.b. Approval of Guatemala Travel

Attached is a letter from Ariel Coleman explaining the trip that she is wishing to bring students on in June.

"I move to approve travel to Guatemala in June 2014."
11.c. Acceptance of Superintendent Bradshaw’s Resignation

Superintendent Bradshaw handed in his resignation at the last board meeting the board now needs to accept it.

"I move to accept Superintendent Bradshaw's resignation effective June 30, 2014."

11.d. Approval of 2014 Legislative Priorities

Administrative Reports

12.a. Enrollment Update – Mary Wegner
12.b. Budget Update – Cassee Olin
12.c Assistant Superintendent Update – Mary Wegner

Mary will discuss the various things that have been occurring in the district.

Future Agenda Items and Meeting Dates

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