Sitka School Board Meeting

September 10, 2014

5:30 p.m. – New Staff Welcome
6:00 p.m. – Work Session on AASB Resolutions
7:00 p.m. - School Board Meeting

District Office Board Room

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2014-15 Board Goals

The Sitka School District will:
1. work towards closing the achievement gap for students who qualify as low income.
2. develop a 5 year strategic budget plan that will be updated annually.
3. support all district staff to grow professionally.
4. revise the annual budget process.
5. Increase the graduation rate to at least 95%.

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.
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Proposed Agenda

1. Call to Order  
2. Flag Salute  
3. Roll Call  
4. Approval of the Proposed Agenda  
5. Recognition  
   a. 2014 Subsistence Student Art Contest winner  
6. Persons To Be Heard  
7. Board Member Reports  
8. Reports  
   a. Clerk’s Report  
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 25, 2014 Minutes  
10. New Business  
   a. Approval of BP 0520 School Accountability/School Improvement – First Reading  
   b. Delete BP 4112.10 Employment of Retired Teachers  
   c. Approval of BP 4117.6 Non-Retention – First Reading  
   d. Approval of Resolution 2015-01 SE Transportation Plan Support  
   e. Approval of AASB Resolutions  
   f. Discussion on FY2016 Legislative Priorities  
11. Administrative Reports:  
   a. Enrollment Update – Mary Wegner  
   b. Budget Update – Cassee Olin  
   c. Superintendent Update – Mary Wegner  
12. Correspondence and Information (Separate Packet)  
13. Future Agenda Items and Meeting Dates  
   a. Raven Radio Interview  
   b. Fall Boardsmanship – September 12-13, 2014  
   c. AASB Fall Conference, November 6-9, 2014  
14. Adjournment
Recognition

5.a. Recognize 2014 Subsistence Student Art Contest Winner

Ilene Fernandez won the grand prize for the 2014 Subsistence Student Art Contest.

Reports

8.a. Clerk’s Report

Consent Agenda


“I move to approve the consent agenda as presented.”

A Roll Call Vote is Required.

New Business

10.a. Approval of BP 0520 School Accountability/School Improvement – First Reading

AASB 2014 POLICY UPDATE: The BP has been significantly revised to reflect Alaska’s new accountability and school improvement system. The new system has been implemented in light of Alaska’s waiver of certain NCLB requirements, including the school accountability system that measured schools by Adequate Yearly Progress. The revised BP now reflects school star ratings, eliminates references to School Choice and Supplemental Educational Services, and provides current requirements for school improvement plans and district improvement plans.

10.b. Delete BP 4112.10 Employment of Retired Teachers

AASB 2014 POLICY UPDATE: This policy is being eliminated based on a law that has been repealed.

10.c. Approval of BP 4117.6 Non-Retention – First Reading

AASB 2014 POLICY UPDATE: This policy has been amended to change the date of notification of nonretention of a tenured teacher from “before March 16” to “before May 15.” This reflects a change to AS 14.20.140.

10.d. Approval of Resolution 2015-01 SE Transportation Plan Support

10.e. Approval of AASB Resolutions

10.f. Discussion on FY16 Legislative Priorities

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