SITKA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
November 1, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
Sitka School District

Superintendent: Steve Bradshaw

CALL TO ORDER

The Sitka School Board meeting was called to order by President Lon Garrison at 7:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present were President, Lon Garrison, Tim Fulton, Clerk, Tom Conley, and Tonia Rioux. Nicole Seehafer, Student Representative and Vice-President, Cass Pook were absent and excused.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA

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

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Superintendent Bradshaw stated that nomination ballots would be distributed and if one person received three or more votes that person would be eligible for nomination to the elected office.

President Garrison relinquished the gavel to Superintendent Bradshaw.

For the office of president, the majority of the Board members voted to nominate Mr. Garrison. Mr. Conley moved, Mr. Fulton seconded to approve the selection of Lon Garrison as President. Motion carried.

Superintendent Bradshaw presented the gavel to President Garrison.

Nominations were taken for the office of vice-president the board nominated Ms. Pook. Mr. Conley moved, Mr. Fulton seconded to approve the selection of Cass Pook as Vice-President. Motion carried.

Lastly, nominations were taken for the office of clerk and President Garrison nominated Mr. Fulton. Mr. Garrison moved, Ms. Rioux seconded to approve the selection of Tim Fulton as Clerk. Motion carried.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

There were no persons to be heard.

RECOGNITIONS
• RECOGNITION OF ZEPHIR FERYOK

Mr. Fulton presented a plaque to Zephyr Feryok for his 2012 letter of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

• RECOGNITION OF JODY SMOTHERS-MARCELLO

Mr. Conley presented a plaque to Jody Smothers-Marcello for her recognition by the College Board’s Advance Placement Program for her contributions to the AP Reading. He also congratulated her on her national board certification for the second time.

SPECIAL REPORTS

• REPORT ON ACTIVITIES FUNDING COMMITTEE – TIM FULTON

Mr. Fulton reported on the activities funding committee. He asked the board for their input on the purpose of the committee. There was a lengthy question and answer session.

• REPORT ON ENERGY CONSERVATION IN OUR SCHOOLS – TIM FULTON

Mr. Fulton introduced Justin Overdevest, Sitka Conservation Society, who explained the different solutions for the school district in energy conservation. Mark Bautista, maintenance director, gave the board the overview of the buildings and his knowledge of the process. There were questions and comments from the board.

• REPORT ON NATIONAL FOREST COUNTIES AND SCHOOLS COALITION – LON GARRISON

Mr. Garrison updated the board on the National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition funding. He explained that there is a need for help with lobbying funding for the coalition.

CONSENT AGENDA

• APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 12, 2011 MINUTES

• APPROVAL OF REVISION OF BP 0530 DISCONTINUATION OR CLOSURE OF SCHOOLS – SECOND READING

• APPROVAL OF BP 5125 STUDENT RECORDS – SECOND READING

NEW BUSINESS:

• SELECTION OF

The board volunteered to be liaisons for each of the schools.
Mr. Conley and Mr. Garrison will continue to be the legislative liaisons.

• **APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR NATIONAL FOREST COUNTIES AND SCHOOLS COALITION**

  Mr. Fulton moved, Mr. Conley seconded to approve funding the partnership for rural America in the amount of no more than $600. A roll call vote was required.

  Yes  No
  Fulton  Conley
  Rioux  Garrison

  Motion carried.

• **DISCUSSION OF AASB ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

  The board briefly discussed the sessions and plans at the AASB Annual Conference.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:**

• **BUDGET UPDATE - DAVID ARP**

  Mr. Arp explained that the budget is where it is suppose to be. He stated that there will be a budget revision at the December meeting.

• **ENROLLMENT UPDATE – STEVE BRADSHAW**

  The final enrollment numbers will be available at the December meeting, but they are looking to be a bit higher than predicted.

• **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – STEVE BRADSHAW**

  Superintendent Bradshaw informed the board that a special education complaint has been filed on the district. He stated that it is in the preliminary stages and he will keep the board posted on the progress.

  Superintendent Bradshaw thanked Tim Fulton and the staff for the work on the activities budget information.

  Lastly, he stated that the board should continue to celebrate the good things that are happening in the Sitka School District.
CORRESPONDENCE AND INFORMATION

Mr. Fulton stated that he had attended the Assembly meeting. He also informed the board that neither Senator Stedman nor Representative Wilson responded to the invitation to the AASB banquet. He also informed the board that he and Superintendent Bradshaw would be meeting with the director of Alaska Airlines to discuss cost issues with travel for students.

Mr. Garrison informed the board that he had a request from Representative Wilson regarding having a non-voting member on the Sitka School District Board. He requested that this issue be on a future agenda.

BOARD COMMENTS

Ms. Rioux stated that she was excited about the training at the AASB Conference. She informed the board that she will be out of town from December 2-10, 2011 and will miss the math auditors. She also stated that she had been involved with the Pacific High School remodel and she was pleased with the process and expertise.

Mr. Fulton thanked Mary Wegner, Assistant Superintendent and Ian Crane, IT Director for their assistance with the web and paperless packet the past month. He also explained that the progress reports at Blatchley Middle School with the color coding are working for parents. He is working on showcasing the promethean boards at an assembly meeting. He also he wanted to look into the concussion policy.

Mr. Conley stated that he has enjoyed the Pacific High School meetings on the remodel. He also explained that there will be a statewide coalition of alternative education for Pacific High School. Mr. Conley informed the board that there is a group in town planning on building a community playground at the turnaround. Lastly, he thanked Mary Wegner for all of her support in the transition to the paperless board packets.

Mr. Garrison thanked Mr. Fulton for his work and passion for kids on the board. He also thanked administration for their work in the district.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND MEETING DATES

- **RAVEN RADIO INTERVIEW, SEPTEMBER 14, AT 8:00 A.M.**

Mr. Fulton volunteered to go to Raven Radio for the interview.
• AASB ANNUAL CONFERENCE, NOVEMBER 3-6, 2011

• MEETING WITH AUDITOR IN ANCHORAGE, NOVEMBER 3, 2011 AT 7:30 A.M. AT ANCHORAGE HILTON

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Conley moved, Ms. Rioux seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m. Motion carried.

Lon Garrison, President

Tim Fulton, Clerk