CALL TO ORDER
President Morrison called the Sitka School Board meeting to order at 5:59 p.m. in Centennial Hall, 330 Harbor Dr, Sitka, AK 99835

ROLL CALL
Members present were Blossom Teal-Olsen, Andrew Hames, Paul Rioux, Eric Van Cise, and Amy Morrison. The meeting was quorate.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA
Ms. Teal-Olsen moved, Mr. Rioux seconded to approve the agenda and consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

• APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2020 MINUTES
• APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2020 MINUTES
• APPROVAL OF BP 3541.1 SCHOOL-RELATED TRIPS 2ND READING
• APPROVAL OF BP 4000 CONCEPTS AND ROLES 2ND READING

RECOGNITIONS
• RECOGNIZE SITKA TRIBE OF ALASKA
  Ms. Teal-Olsen thanked the Sitka Tribe of Alaska for all they have done for the community during the COVID 19 pandemic. She also thanked them for there many partnerships with the Sitka School District.

• RECOGNIZE SSD IT DIRECTOR, IAN CRANE
  Mr. Hames recognized Ian Crane, the only employee of the IT department, for his tireless efforts in behalf of the School District.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD
There were no persons to be heard.
SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Principals, Mandy Summer, Sondra Lundvick, Ben White, Casey Demmert, and Jill LeCrone gave the board brief highlights of the current and upcoming events at their respective schools.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Rioux reported that the work session with the City Assembly on September 24th was productive.

Mr. Hames and Ms. Teal-Olsen had nothing to report.

Mr. Van Cise reported that as the liaison to Blatchley Middle School he was able to visit with Ben White and Laura Rogers. He continues to have positive interactions with parents who are expressing confidence in the School District.

Ms. Morrison congratulated Mr. Hames and Ms. Teal-Olsen on being elected to the School Board. She also noted that the work session with the City Assembly was beneficial. And she reminded the board about the School Board Goal Setting Retreat October 9th and 10th.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- **BUDGET UPDATE – CASSEE OLIN**
  
  Cassee Olin, Business Manager gave an overview of the August budget report.

- **ENROLLMENT UPDATE – JOHN HOLST**
  
  Interim Superintendent Holst informed the board that student enrollment is 1140.25, projected enrollment was 1186.

- **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – JOHN HOLST**
  
  Interim Superintendent Holst noted that due to low enrollment numbers there is a spending freeze in place. The staff continues to be tested for Covid every 2 weeks on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The School District will be having a free flu shot clinic Friday October 16th at Keet Gooshi Heen from 2-4 p.m. Mr. Holst also noted that there would be a free community flu clinic a Centennial Hall Saturday October 10th for families.

NEW BUSINESS

- **DISCUSSION OF PUPIL TEACHER RATIO IN CLASSES**

  Mr. Holst gave a brief overview for the board of pupil teacher ratio’s in classes. He noted there would be more discussion at the November board meeting.

- **APPROVAL OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER IMMEDIATE FAMILY HIRE**

  Mr. Hames moved, Mr. Van Cise seconded that the School District hire Ashlyn Nutting and send a letter in this regard to the Commissioner of Education per AS 14.14.140.

  **Public Comment**

  None offered

  Motion PASSED by the following roll call vote,
• **APPROVAL OF BP 4112.10 EMPLOYMENT OF RETIRED TEACHERS 1ST READING**

  Mr. Van Cise moved, Ms. Teal-Olsen seconded to approve BP 4112.10 Employment of Retired Teachers in 1st reading as presented.

  Public Comment
  None offered

  Motion carried.

• **APPROVAL OF BP 5131 CONDUCT 1ST READING**

  Mr. Hames moved, Ms. Teal-Olsen seconded to approve BP 5131 Conduct in 1st reading as presented.

  Public Comment
  None offered

  Motion carried.

• **APPROVAL OF BP 5132 DRESS AND GROOMING 1ST READING**

  Mr. Rioux moved, Mr. Van Cise seconded to approve BP 5132 Dress and Grooming in 1st reading as presented.

  Public Comment
  None offered

  Motion carried.

• **APPROVAL OF BP 5137 POSITIVE SCHOOL CLIMATE 1ST READING**

  Mr. Rioux moved, Mr. Hames seconded to approve BP 5137 Positive School Climate in 1st reading as presented.

  Public Comment
  None offered

  Motion carried.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

• **SCHOOL BOARD GOAL SETTING RETREAT OCTOBER 8 & 9, 2020**

• **SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 15, 2020**

• **NEXT REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING NOVEMBER 4, 2020**

Yes - Rioux, Teal-Olsen, Van Cise, Hames
• SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION IN EXECUTIVE SESSION NOVEMBER 4, 2020

• AASB ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 5-8, 2020

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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Amy J. Morrison, President

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Paul G. Rioux, Clerk