CALL TO ORDER

The Sitka School Board meeting was called to order by President Morrison at 6:05 p.m. in Centennial Hall, 330 Harbor Dr., Sitka Alaska 99835.

ROLL CALL

Members present were Blossom Twitchell, Andrew Hames, Paul Rioux, and Amy Morrison. Eric Van Cise was absent and excused. The meeting was quorate.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

- APPROVAL OF JULY 27, 2020 MINUTES
- APPROVAL OF BP 4119.25 POLITICAL ACTIVITIES OF EMPLOYEES - 2ND READING
- APPROVAL OF BP 4020 DRUG, TOBACCO & ALCOHOL-FREE WORKPLACE - 2ND READING
- APPROVAL OF BP 5124 COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS/GUARDIANS - 2ND READING
- APPROVAL OF BP 6142.5 ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION - 2ND READING
- APPROVAL OF BP 6114.4 PANDEMIC/EPIDEMIC EMERGENCIES - 2ND READING
- APPROVAL OF JOHN HOLST AS LIAISON BETWEEN THE SCHOOL DISTRICT & STATE AND LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIALS

Mr. Hames moved; Ms. Twitchell seconded to approve the Agenda and Consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.
RECOGNITIONS

- RECOGNIZE SMART START TASK FORCE TEAM
  Each building principal recognized the members of the Smart Start Task Force Team that worked with their building team.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

There were no persons to be heard.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Principals Jill Lecrone, Casey Demmert, Ben White, and Sondra Lundvick gave brief overviews of how they are preparing for the opening of school.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mr. Rioux thanked staff, parents, and administration for all the hard work in preparation for the opening of school.

President Morrison noted that she visited all the schools on August 17th with Mr. Holst. She thanked the community and parents for all the support as the School District planned for the opening of schools on August 27th.

Mr. Hames and Ms. Twitchell had nothing to report.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

- BUDGET UPDATE – CASSEE OLIN
  Ms. Olin gave an overview of the budget update and took questions from the Board.

- SUPERINTENDENT REPORT - JOHN HOLST
  Superintendent Holst thanked the administrative team for their hard work to meet all the challenges of opening the schools on August 27th. He also thanked AmeriCorps Coordinator, Sarah Lawrie, for recruiting 19 AmeriCorps volunteers to help out in our schools. Superintendent Holst noted that all Sitka School District employees are being COVID-19 tested every 2 weeks. Also, there will be 1 local dashboard of COVID-19 information available for the community in approximately 2 weeks.

NEW BUSINESS

- APPROVAL OF BP 1000 CONCEPTS AND ROLES - 1ST READING
  Mr. Rioux moved, Mr. Hames seconded to approve BP 1000 Concepts and Roles in 1st reading as presented.
  Public comment
  None offered
  Motion carried.
Mr. Rioux moved, Ms. Twitchell seconded to approve BP 1312
Public Complaints Concerning the Schools in 1st reading as
presented. Motion carried.

Public comment
None offered
Motion carried.

Ms. Twitchell moved, Mr. Hames seconded to approve BP 3510
Maintenance in 1st reading as presented.

Public comment
None offered
Motion carried.

Mr. Hames moved, Mr. Rioux moved to approved BP 4218
Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action in 1st reading as
amended.

Public comment
None offered
Motion carried.

Language has been added to the Administrative Response
addressing the use of District equipment by members of the
community.

The Administrative Response is modified to clarify that a School
Board my deny admission for any reason permitted by statute AS
14.30.045, not only reasons related to physical or mental health.

Mr. Rioux moved, Ms. Twitchell seconded to approve the FY22
Capital Improvement Plan application as presented. There was a
short question and answered discussion regarding the application.

Public comment
None offered
The motion PASSED by a unanimous roll call vote of all
members present.

UPCOMING EVENTS

• FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
  AUGUST 27, 2020

• NEXT REGULAR SCHOOL
  BOARD MEETING -
SEPTEMBER 2, 2020

- SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION - NOVEMBER 4, 2020

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Amy J. Morrison, President  Paul G. Rioux, Clerk