



**Association of Alaska School Boards
 Summer Regular BOD Meeting
 August 1, 2020
 Approved Minutes**

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the AASB Board of Directors was called to order by President Michael Swain at 9:05 a.m.

2. Roll Call

BOD	Present	Absent
Michael Swain	X	
Katie Oliver	X	
Peter Hoepfner	X	
Dana Mock	X	
Clarence Daniel	X	
Barbara Amarok	X	
Penny Vadla	X	
Chrya Sanderson	X	
Deena Mitchell	X	
Starr Marsett	X	
Tillie Ticket	X	
Wassillie Gust		x
Marie Greene	x	
Tiffany Jackson	x	
Brian Holst	x	

Dana Mock joined during Executive Session

Chrya Sanderson joined during Executive Session

3. Establish Quorum

Quorum was established

4. Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by Pete Hoepfner and seconded by, Penny Vadla
 Hearing no objection, the agenda was approved.

5. Executive Session: Executive Director's Evaluation

Speaker: Tiffany Jackson

Motion to enter Executive Session was made by Penny Vadla, seconded by Starr Marsett
 Hearing no objection - Executive session began at 9:12 a.m. – AASB staff left the meeting
 Executive Session recessed at 12:54 p.m.

6. Resolutions –

Speaker: Lon Garrison

Constitution & Bylaws –

Article 9 Section 2 – Resolutions (process and timeline)

Article 9 Section 3 – Resolutions Presentation (Delegate Assembly)

Article 10 Section 2 – Resolutions Committee (Committee purpose, composition, leadership and voting)

Policy

Policy 208 – Resolutions Committee

Policy 212 – Resolutions Annual Review and Process

Lon Garrison went over the above referenced Constitution and Bylaws, and the Policy for the Virtual Delegate Assembly. Discussion followed.

Resolutions Committee met on Wednesday, July 8, 2020. Lon Garrison shared the Committee report.

Motion to accept/approve the Resolutions Committees report and their recommendations except 5.2 made by Katie Oliver coming from Committee, seeing no objections, motion carries unanimously

5.2 Curriculum Expansion – Pulled by Peter Hoepfner

Motion to amend the second line in 5.2 Curriculum to read **Alaskan sourced** distance delivered education program by Tiffany Jackson. Seconded by Peter Hoepfner

Roll Call Vote

BOD	YES	NO
Michael Swain	X	
Katie Oliver	X	
Peter Hoepfner	X	
Dana Mock	X	
Clarence Daniel	X	
Barbara Amarok	X	
Penny Vadla	X	
Chrya Sanderson	X	
Deena Mitchell	X	
Starr Marsett		x
Tillie Ticket	X	
Wassillie Gust	Absent	Absent
Marie Greene	X	
Tiffany Jackson	X	
Brian Holst		x

Motion carries: 12-2

Motion made by Katie Oliver that the board accept 5.2 as amended. Seconded by Penny Vadla.

Motion to accept 5.2 as amended carries unanimously.

Lon Garrison presented the timeline for Resolutions. Lon will send out information to membership on the Boards recommendations for resolutions by August 7th. August through September school boards will have the opportunity to review the resolutions, and to submit new resolutions or amendments to current resolutions. By October 6th AASB will need verification from school boards that they have voted to send the resolutions to AASB. They must be submitted online. From October 6th to October 17th, AASB will compile the resolution information received. Once compiled, it will be returned to the membership for review prior to the Resolutions Committee meeting which is scheduled for November 5, 2020. On November 8, 2020, full delegate assembly can amend or adopt the resolutions. Immediately after the Delegate Assembly, resolutions are reviewed and used to help select priorities for the upcoming Legislative Session by the Board of Directors.

Discussion followed.

Motion made by Katie Oliver for the board to forward to the AASB membership the entirety of the resolution packet as amended for approval. Seconded by Starr Marsett. Motion carries unanimously.

Return to Executive Session

Motion to return to Executive Session to discuss the Executive Director's Evaluation made by Starr Marsett. Seconded by Peter Hoepfner. Motion carries unanimously, returned to Executive Session at 2:09 p.m.

Board came out of Executive Session at 3:52 p.m. and recessed until 9:00 a.m. Sunday

7. Approval of Minutes

- a. Regular Meeting - November 11, 2019 - Approved

Motion to approve the November 11, 2019 meeting minutes by Clarence Daniels, seconded by Starr Marsett. Motion carries unanimously.

Discussion followed

- b. Truncated Meeting - March 28, 2020 - Approved

Motion to approve the minutes March 28, 2020 by Peter Hoepfner, seconded by Penny Vadla. Motion carries unanimously.

8. Reports/Discussion Items

- a. **President's Report**

Speaker: Michael Swain

The pandemic created some challenging moments, and it has been a trying year. The decision to cancel the in-person meeting was difficult. President Swain has tried to accommodate individual requests regarding the rescheduling of the Board meetings. Clarence Daniels outlined the ASAA functions. At their April meeting ASAA recognized people that have contributed to student activities, and issued a gold lifetime pass. President Swain announced that Norm Wooten was the recipient of the Gold Lifetime Pass. President Swain is always available to the Board of Directors and Staff.

- b. **AI/AN Report**

Speaker: Michael Swain

Is in a holding pattern. Membership numbers go up and then drop a bit. If you are not a member you should become a member. It is not a requirement to be American Indian or Alaska Native to be a member of the council.
Discussion followed.

c. **Annual Conference Update**

Speaker: Timi Tullis

Discussion around moving the AASB Annual Conference Virtual. Staff is attending other organizations virtual meetings to get a feel for how they are facilitated, and has begun to look at options for hosting a virtual Annual Conference.
Discussion followed.

Motion to hold the AASB November 2020 Annual Meeting virtually by Starr Marsett, seconded by Chyra Sanderson. Seeing no objection Motion carries unanimously.

Determination of Ad Hoc Committee for the Annual Conference:
Barb Amarok, Starr Marsett (Chair), Chyra Sanderson and Clarence Daniels

Board of Directors seats up in 2020: Penny Vadla, Michael Swain, Brian Holst, Wassillie Gust, Roxanne Brower, Starr Marsett

9. Action Items

a. **2021 Summer Meeting**

Speaker: Timi Tullis

Timi inquired about the location and the dates for the 2021 Board of Directors Summer meeting. Staff will look into the following communities, and provide the Board with price quotes: Bethel, Kotzebue, and Glen Allen

Motion to hold the 2021 AASB Board of Directors meeting on July 16th, 17th, 18th by Deena Mitchell, seconded by Penny Vadla. No objection, Motions carries unanimously.

b. **Approval of Executive Committee Actions**

- i. Executive Committee - January 8, 2020
- ii. Executive Committee - April 2, 2020
- iii. Executive Committee - April 27, 2020
- iv. Executive Committee - June 17, 2020
- v. BJA STOP
- vi. Executive Committee - June 26, 2020

Motion to approve the Executive Committee Actions January 8th, April 2nd, April 27th, June 17th, and June 26th, 2020 by Chyra Sanderson, seconded by Peter Hoepfner. No objection. Motion carries unanimously.

c. **Executive Director's Contract**

Speaker: Mike Swain

Discussion regarding the Executive Director's contract and the search for a new Executive Director based on Norm's retirement announcement. Posting will happen August 17th through September 18th. Narrowing of finalists will be by October 16th. Interviews for selected candidates will happen the final week of October 26th through October 30th, with the projected announcement of a new ED on November

8th. After the announcement a transition will take place. Norm will transition to a Legislative role.

Motion to make Norm Wooten 100% vested in the AASB retirement system by Clarence Daniels, seconded by Penny Vadla. No objection. Motion carries unanimously.

Discussion followed

d. **Audit**

Speakers: Auditor Max Mertz & Diana Miller

Mr. Mertz began with confirming that the board had been provided: Financial Statement, Federal Single Audit, Letter to the Board
Discussion followed.

Motion to accept 2019 audit made by Clarence Daniels, seconded by Peter Hoepfner. A roll call vote was taken.

Roll Call Vote

BOD	Yes	No
Michael Swain	X	
Katie Oliver	X	
Peter Hoepfner	X	
Dana Mock	X	
Clarence Daniel	X	
Barbara Amarok	X	
Penny Vadla	X	
Chrya Sanderson	X	
Deena Mitchell	X	
Starr Marsett	X	
Tillie Ticket	X	
Wassillie Gust	Absent	Absent
Marie Greene	X	
Tiffany Jackson	X	
Brian Holst	X	

Motion carries unanimously.

e. **Constitution & Bylaws (1:50 Sunday)**

Speaker: Starr Marsett

Motion that the board accept the Constitution and Bylaw Committees changes to Article 4 section 2 and Article 4 section 4 by Starr Marsett and move this forward to the delegate assembly. Coming from Committee does not require a second.
Discussion followed.

Motion to amend Article 4 section 4 second sentence the word continue in after shall - and add the words assume or retain their role as past President by Katie Oliver, seconded by Clarence Daniels. A roll call vote was taken.

Roll Call Vote

BOD	Yes	No
Michael Swain	X	
Katie Oliver	X	
Peter Hoepfner	X	
Dana Mock	X	
Clarence Daniel	X	
Barbara Amarok		X
Penny Vadla		X
Chrya Sanderson	X	
Deena Mitchell	X	
Starr Marsett		X
Tillie Ticket	X	
Wassillie Gust	Absent	Absent
Marie Greene		X
Tiffany Jackson	X	
Brian Holst	X	

11 - 4 motion to amend carries
Discussion followed

Motion to amend Article 4 section 4 to add the word (non) in front of the word voting by Penny Vadla, seconded by Barb Amarok. A roll call vote was taken

Roll Call Vote

BOD	Yes	No
Michael Swain		X
Katie Oliver		X
Peter Hoepfner		X
Dana Mock		X
Clarence Daniel		X
Barbara Amarok	X	
Penny Vadla	X	
Chrya Sanderson		X
Deena Mitchell	X	
Starr Marsett	X	
Tillie Ticket		X
Wassillie Gust	Absent	Absent
Marie Greene	X	
Tiffany Jackson		X
Brian Holst	X	

Motion fails 8-6

Motion that the board accept the Constitution and Bylaw Committees recommended changes to Article 4 section 2 and Article 4 section 4 by Starr Marsett and move forward to the delegate assembly. Coming from Committee does not require a second. A roll call vote was taken.

Roll Call Vote

BOD	Yes	No
Michael Swain		X
Katie Oliver		X
Peter Hoepfner		X
Dana Mock	X	
Clarence Daniel		X
Barbara Amarok		X
Penny Vadla		X
Chrya Sanderson	X	
Deena Mitchell		X
Starr Marsett		X
Tillie Ticket		X
Wassillie Gust	Absent	Absent
Marie Greene		X
Tiffany Jackson		X
Brian Holst		X

2-12 motion fails. No changes to the Constitution and Bylaws will be forwarded to the Delegate Assembly.

f. **Approval of Policies**

Speaker: Tiffany Jackson

The Policy Committee met on 01/20/2020. Motion made by Tiffany Jackson to approve the amendments to the following policies (205, 206, 207, 310, 311, 4.113) and adopt new policies (4.111.1, 503.1).

205 – Budget Committee

206 – Constitution & Bylaws Committee

207 – Nominating Committee

208 - Resolutions Committee

310 – Duties of the Past President

311 – Duties of the Secretary-Treasurer

4.111.1 – Credit Card Policy

4.113 – Intellectual Property

503.1 – Grants

Coming from Committee does not require a second. No objection. Motion carries.

g. **Resignation of AASB Board Member**

Speaker: Michael Swain

Motion made by Peter Hoepfner to declare Ms. Brower's seat vacant, and allow it to remain vacant until the Delegate Assembly in November. Seconded by Penny Vadla. Motion carries unanimously.

10. Board Comments

Board comments are as follows:

- Appreciation for the Cultural Connectedness data information from the School Climate and Connectedness survey. This can be shared with Districts and is very useful.
- The book study for the Zaretta Hammonds book is in alignment with the goal relating to providing workshops and conferences focused on equity and outcomes for Alaska

native students.

- Thanks to AASB staff for their support of the goals and all their work.
- Appreciate the board coming together even through the pandemic and for sending out all the reports around ASAA, and NSBA. The meeting was productive and it can be challenging when meetings are done virtually.
- Thank you to Norm and all he has done to help members, students, and school districts over the years. Thank you for all the mentorship Norm has provided over the years.
- Congratulations to Barb Amarok for being appointed to the Justice not politics board.
- Thanks for support for the new Superintendent searches and for the advocacy emails that have been going out.
- The board is looking forward to working with the staff on the Annual Meeting.

11. Future Business

Retirement vesting and reviewing that timeline for vesting.

12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Marie Greene, seconded by Penny Vadla. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned Sunday August 2, 2020 at 1:04 p.m.