



AASB Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
Approved Minutes

Monday, November 11, 2024, 8:30 am
Hilton Anchorage
500 West 3rd, Anchorage, AK 99501

1. Call to Order

President Mock called the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

2. Roll Call

Melissa Burnett	Present
Clarence Daniel	Present
Tim Doran	Present
Amber Frommherz	Present
Pete Hoepfner	Present
Andy Holleman	Present
Michael Swain	Present
Darlene Trigg	Present
Penny Vadla	Present
Annie Weyiouanna	Present
Robyn Burke	Present
Margo Bellamy	Present
Julia Phelan	Present
Marie Greene	Present
Dana Mock	Present

3. Establish Quorum

A quorum was established.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

President Mock led the Pledge of Allegiance

5. Land Acknowledgment

Marie Greene read the Land Acknowledgement

6. Equity Statement

Robyn Burke read the Equity Statement.

7. Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was observed.



8. Approval of Agenda

Action(s):

Motion to approve the November 11, 2024, Board of Directors Meeting Agenda.

Motion made by Clarence Daniel, seconded by Annie Weiyouanna, passed without opposition.

9. Approval of Minutes

Action(s):

Motion to approve the minutes from the July 17, 2024, Regular Meeting. Motion made by

Robyn Burke, seconded by Penny Vadla, passed without opposition.

10. Recognition of Visitors

The board welcomed guests Andrea Watts (AASB contracted lobbyist) and Norm Wooten (contracted advocacy staff).

11. Correspondence

Board members reviewed the correspondence included in the packet.

12. Reports/Discussion Items

12.A Annual Conference Report

Speaker(s): Jenni Lefing

A discussion was held about the highlights of the 71st Annual Conference.

12.B Like-Sized District Forum Reports Facilitators

Speaker(s): AASB BOD

A discussion on the concerns that came out of the like-size district forums and the main concerns of the districts.

12.C Discussion of the 2025 Legislative Priorities

Speaker(s): Lon Garrison,
Andrea Watts
Norm Wooten

The Board discussed the three current legislative priorities:

- *Sufficient and Sustainable Public Education Funding,*
- *Retention and Recruitment of Teachers, Administrators & Staff,*
- *Student Wellness and School Safety.*

There was agreement with the recommendation from staff to continue with the three priorities. The Board discussed the need to update the supporting bullet points to reflect the new resolutions and update the corresponding list of resolutions supporting each of the priorities. The staff said they would update the document.

12.D President's Report

Speaker(s): Dana Mock

President Mock provided highlights of his report that was included in the packet.



12.E Past Presidents Report

Speaker(s): Margo Bellamy

Past President Bellamy provided highlights of her report that was included in the packet. Bellamy also reported on the Tribally Compacted Schools meeting.

12.F President-Elect Report

Speaker(s): Marie Greene

President-Elect Greene gave a brief verbal update,

12.G Secretary-Treasurer Report

Speaker(s): Julia Phelan

Secretary-Treasurer Phelan gave a brief verbal report.

12.H ASAA Report

Speaker(s): Dana Mock

President Mock referred to the report that was included in the packet.

12.I NSBA Directors Report

Speaker(s): Pete Hoepfner

Board Member Hoepfner highlighted points in the report that were included in the packet.

12.J Pacific Region Report

Speaker(s): Margo Bellamy,
Dana Mock

President Mock shared on the Pacific Region meeting in Tahoe and included slides from the presentations in the packet.

12.K Sustainability Committee Report

Speaker(s): Tim Doran

Board member Doran provided highlights of the Sustainability Committee and their work on Goal #3 of the Long Range Plan.

12.L AASB Financial Sustainability Report

Speaker(s): Dave Arp
Dynamic Fiscal Solutions
Lon Garrison, Tiffany Jackson

Executive Director Garrison reported on the documents provided in the board packet.

12.M Budget Committee Report

Speaker(s): Robyn Burke, Lon Garrison,
Tiffany Jackson

Board member Burke gave a brief report on the Budget Committee.



12.N Constitution & Bylaws Committee Report

Speaker(s): Robyn Burke, Lon Garrison

Board member Burke and Executive Director Garrison reported on the work of the Constitution and Bylaws committee.

12.O Review of Mission Statement, Code of Ethics, and Directors Job Description

Speaker(s): Robyn Burke, Lon Garrison

Board member Burke reviewed the mission statement of AASB aloud. Board members signed the code of ethics document.

13. Action Items

A. Approval of 2025 Legislative Priorities

A motion to approve the 2025 Legislative Priorities made by Clarence Daniel, seconded by Penny Vadla, passed with no opposition.

B. Approval of 2025 AASB Budget

A motion to approve the 2025 AASB Budget made by Clarence Daniel, seconded by Michael Swain, passed with no opposition.

C. LRP 2025-2028 Goals & Objectives

Motion to approve the Long Range Plan Goals & Objectives for 2025-2028 made by Clarence Daniel, seconded by Robyn Burke, with no opposition.

D. Committee Assignments

President Mock facilitated committee assignments for board members to support and participate in.

Policy: Margo Bellamy (Chair), Michael Swain, Melissa Burnett, Darlene Trigg, Marie Greene

Scholarship: Penny Vadla (Chair), Melissa Burnett, Tim Doran, Amber Frommherz, Tim Doran, Robyn Burke, Pete Hoepfner.

Membership: Clarence Daniel (Chair), Dana Mock, Annie Weyiouanna, Julia Phelan.

Sustainability: Tim Doran (Chair), Margo Bellamy, Robyn Burke, Darlene Trigg



Constitution & Bylaws: Julia Phelan (Chair)

Resolutions: Marie Greene (Chair)

Budget: Julia Phelan (Chair)

Awards: Julia Phelan (Chair)

Nominations: Margo Bellamy (Chair)

Ad Hoc Advocacy: Pete Hoepfner (Chair), Margo Bellamy, Penny Vadla, Darlene Trigg, Melissa Burnett, Michael Swain

Ad Hoc Tribal Compacting: Margo Bellamy (Chair), Darlene Trigg, Clarence Daniel, Pete Hoepfner, Andy Holleman, Amber Frommherz.

ASAA: Margo Bellamy (Chair), Annie Weyiouanna (Alternate)

14. Staff Reports

A. Executive Director Report

Speaker(s): Lon Garrison

Executive Director Garrison provided an overview of his written report included in the board packet.

B. Associate Executive Director Report

Speaker(s): Timi Tullis, Katie Oliver

Katie Oliver, AASB's incoming Associate Executive Director, and Timi Tullis, who is retiring, gave a joint report. Timi's written report is included in the board packet.

C. Chief Financial Officer Report

Speaker(s): Tiffany Jackson

CFO Jackson provided an overview of the financial report included in the board packet.

D. Director of Conditions for Learning Report

Speaker(s): Lori Grassgreen

Director Grassgreen highlighted the grant work being done by the CFL Team. A detailed report is in the board packet.

E. Tribal Compact Schools Update

The update is included in Margo Bellamy's report in the board packet.



15. Board Comments:

Pete: Appreciates AASB's incredible support and impressive work. Timi is a rockstar and is happy she will be joining the NSBA Pacific Region. Cordova appreciates the work AASB has done.

Clarence: Pete said it all. Thank you, nominating committee, and welcome new members.

Penny: Really loved the student presentations and the wall walk. She commented on a student's comment about the YLI content being the same. Commented on Resolutions happening at the same time as the Experienced Board Member workshop, would have liked to participate in both.

Melissa: Thank you for being so accepting. Thank you to Margo for suggesting that she join the board. "AASB has helped mold me into the board member that I am."

Tim: Thanks to the Nominating Committee for all their hard work. Would like to start the process of filling a vacant seat in anticipation of Robyn's election. Happy with the Delegate Assembly passing resolutions. Let people know that the Department of Education has a vacant board position.

Marie: Everyone should tune in to the happenings with the State Board of Education. She is grateful to be representing her district, NWASD. Happy that there were eight nominations for the Nominations Committee. It was great to learn from that process.

Margo: Appreciates the AASB staff. Jenni can really write a script, even if I don't always follow it. The AASB staff works so well together, and it is noted and appreciated. Wishing our president the best of luck. Welcome back, Darlene and Melissa; you are right where you need to be.

Darlene: Thank you to the Nominations Committee for being so willing to work with the travel conflicts. Resolutions is what brought me to this board. Values the process of Resolutions to get everyone on the same page. Maybe GuideBook could send out update notifications. Love you, Timi!



Mike: Thanks everyone for being here. Thank you to the staff. I am going to miss traveling around with my “mom”.

Annie: Thank you, staff, you’re amazing. Bering Strait School District appreciates your guidance. We recently lost a board member, so times have felt rough. Welcome to new board members and welcome back to returning members. Thank you for having me and giving me a voice on this board.

Andy: Why does it feel like it’s the end of the year? 18 years ago, I thought the Legislature had made a mistake. It has taken that long to feel pushing back is finally working. I am excited on a local level to see change and that the effort is going to pay off. I was drawn to the AASB board to see if we were pushing, and we are. Went to an event for the House Majority and saw that there was a lot of enthusiasm. Hoping for a change in the BSA and Retirement in order to keep people in Alaska. I appreciate this board and am happy to be a part of it.

Amber: Thank you to the Nominations Committee. Thank you for giving me a chance. Being on this board is a little daunting and exciting. I appreciate this time and your willingness to support me in participating from afar.

Julia: Thank you to Tiffany for re-doing the Policy packet. Thank you for your extra effort. One of the three important issues is to keep our focus on the kids. It is an honor to work with this group. Love learning from Timi.

Dana: Thank you all for your confidence in me to chair this board. I will do everything I can to improve an already awesome group. Thank you Mindy! Appreciated the Dignity Index session. Let’s remember to help board members in districts and stay in contact with them. Timi and I go way back and I have learned so much from you. Presented Timi with a giant chocolate kiss.

16. Future Business

February Fly-In 8 - 10
March 29 Board of Directors Meeting (Virtual)

17. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Pete Hoepfner and seconded by Penny Vadla
Passed with no opposition.