



**AASB Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
Official Minutes**

Friday, March 28, 2025
Saturday, March 29, 2025
Virtual via Zoom

1. Call to Order

President Mock called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. Roll Call

Melissa Burnett	Present
Amber Frommherz	Present
Melanie Kasayulie	Present
Frieda Nageak	Present
Julia Phelan	Present
Darlene Trigg	Present
Annie Weyiouanna	Present
Tim Doran	Present
Andy Holleman	Present
Penny Vadla	Present
Michael Swain	Present
Clarence Daniel	Excused
Marie Greene	Excused
Margo Bellamy	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

President Mock read the Land Acknowledgment.

6. Equity Statement

President Mock read the Equity Statement.

7. Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was observed.



8. Approval of Agenda

Action(s): Move to approve the agenda as stated. This motion, made by Tim Doran and seconded by Margo Bellamy, passed.

9. Approval of Minutes

Action(s): Move to approve the November 11, 2024, Regular Meeting minutes, January 16, 2025, Executive Committee minutes, and the February 25, 2025, Board Vacancy Executive Committee minutes. The motion made by Margo Bellamy and seconded by Tim Doran to approve the minutes as corrected passed with no opposition.

10. Action Item

A motion to appoint Frieda Nageak and Melanie Kasayulie to the AASB Board of Directors. This motion made by Penny Vadla and seconded by Margo Bellamy passed with no opposition.

11. Recognition of Visitors

Molissa Udevitz of The Alaska Humanities Forum and Matt O'Lone from Raffa Investment Advisors were acknowledged and welcomed.

12. Correspondence

13. Reports/Discussion Items

13.A. Presidents Report

President Mock shared some highlights from the report in the board packet, including updates on the NSBA and the Pacific Region.

13.B. Past Presidents Report

Past President, Margo Bellamy, gave a brief verbal report.

13.C. President-Elect Report

President-Elect Marie Greene was excused from this meeting.

13.D. Secretary Treasurer's Report

Secretary-Treasurer Julia Phelan gave a brief verbal report.

13.E. ASAA Report

Past President, Margo Bellamy, reported on her first ASAA meeting as the representative from AASB.



13.F. Long Range Plan

Katie Oliver spoke to the board about the updated Long Range Plan document that was provided in the board packet.

13.G. Tribal Compact Schools Ad-Hoc Committee Report

Past President, Margo Bellamy, reported on the Ad-Hoc committee's recent meetings and shared the intention of having a day at the Spring Boardsmanship Academy dedicated to working with tribal partners. Discussion followed.

13.H. Sustainability Committee Report

Tim Doran (Chair) gave a verbal report on the committee. Frieda Nageak and Melanie Kasayulie have been appointed to the committee.

13.I. Annual Conference Report

Jenni Lefing provided a written report that was included in the board packet.

Recess: 8:03 pm

Reconvene: 8:30 am March 29, 2025 at 8:30 am

13.J. June Nelson Memorial Scholarship Committee Report

Penny Vadla (Chair) gave a brief verbal report on the June Nelson Scholarship. The application flyer was included in the board packet.

13.K. Summer Meeting Logistics

A discussion on the summer meeting logistics went on to cover location, housing, and evaluations. President Mock reminded members of the importance of attendance.

14. Staff Reports

14.A. Executive Director Report

Executive Director Lon Garrison gave an update on the report that was provided in the board packet. Lon expressed being pleased with the turnout of the Legislative Fly-In that took place in February.

14.B. Associate Executive Director Report

Associate Executive Director Katie Oliver provided some highlights from the report provided in the board packet and gave an update on Superintendent Searches.

14.C. Chief Financial Officer Report

Chief Financial Officer Tiffany Jackson provided a detailed report in the board packet.



14.D. Director of Conditions for Learning Report

Director of Conditions for Learning, Lori Grassgreen, reported in addition to the report provided in the board packet. Discussion followed.

15. Action Items

15.A. Approval of Policy Committee Recommendations

Action(s):

The Policy Committee moves to approve amended policies 101, 103, 503 & 503.1.

Motion made by Margo Bellamy.

Discussion: Pulled policy 103 - Membership Dues, 503 - Revenue, 503.1 - Grants.

Move to adopt policy 101 - Membership, Motion coming from the committee passed.

Policy Number 103 - Membership Dues, approved as amended by striking the second bullet by a vote of 8 yeas and 5 nays.

Policy 503 - Revenue, a motion to send 503 back to committee was made by Margo Bellamy and seconded by Darlene Trigg passed with a vote of 9 yeas and 3 nays.

Policy 503.1 - Grants, approved as amended: Grants are intended to supplant or fund operational functions of the Association are ~~not permitted~~ **only permitted when exceptional circumstances may require them for the survival of the organization. The Board of Directors will seek to limit gross revenue from state and federal grants to no more than 50% of the association's gross revenue. At no point shall the combined state and federal grant revenue exceed 60% of the total gross revenue.** Passed with no opposition.

15.B. CFL Derived Services for School Districts, Charter Schools, and Correspondence Schools.

Action(s): I move to approve that AASB staff develop a suite of services available to school districts, charter schools, and correspondence schools based on the work from several grants: AFEC, FSCS, and Project Transform. This motion made by Julia Phelan and seconded by Penny Vadla, passed with no opposition.

15.C. NSBA 2025 - 2026 Membership

Action(s):

No motion was made. AASB will continue its membership with NSBA.

15.D. FY25 Budget Revision



Action(s):

I move to approve the FY25 AASB Budget Revision as presented by staff. This motion, made by Darlene Trigg and seconded by Penny Vadla, passed with no opposition.

16. Strategic Revenue and Sustainability Specialist

A discussion about applying for a Murdock Trust grant to help fund creating and employing a revenue development specialist focused solely on diversifying and increasing non-dues revenue and sustainability for the association.

17. Board Comments

Tim Doran: Sharing with the board that I have gotten involved with School Board Partners, they provide training webinars for new board members across the nation. Just wanted to put it on everyone's radar. It has been very productive.

Amber Frommherz: Thanks to everyone for gathering info and putting this together. Much appreciation for everything.

Julia Phelan: Welcome to Melanie and Frieda and thanks to AASB Staff. Big thank you to Lon and the staff for everything they do.

Margo Bellamy: Please remember to complete the humanities survey.

Melissa Burnett: I will be traveling to Florida in July for a special Hockey event and will be leaving the July board meeting in the morning that Sunday.

Penny Vadla: Looking forward to the Spring Boardsmanship Academy, thank you to the AASB staff, and welcome to new members. The Fly-In was great and I hope the Legislature is listening. I am honored to be participating with AASB.

Dana Mock: Thank you all for enduring this meeting. I know virtual meetings are tough. I appreciate everyone showing up. Welcome to new board members. Thank you, staff, for your support and preparedness.

18. Future Business

Summer Board of Directors Meeting, July 18th - 20th, 2025. The meeting will be held in Anchorage.

19. Adjournment

Action(s): Move to adjourn.

A motion to adjourn made by Michael Swain and seconded by Melissa Burnett passed with no opposition.

Meeting adjourned at 1:13 pm.