



**Alaska School Board Association
Regular Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, March 19, 2021
Remote**

Approved Minutes

Call to Order

President Katie Oliver called the Regular Meeting of the AASB Board of Directors to order at 1:03 p.m. on Friday, March 19, 2021.

Roll Call

Margo Bellamy	Present
Deena Mitchell	Present
Dana Mock	Present
Chrya Sanderson	Present
Brian Holst	Present
Penny Vadla	Present
Clarence Daniel	Excused
John Mark	Present
Barb Amarok	Present
Muriel Brower	Present
Tillie Ticket	Present
Michael Swain	Present
Marie Greene	Present
Pete Hoepfner	Present
Katie Oliver	Present

Clarence Daniel joined the meeting at 1:00 p.m. on March 20, 2021

Establish Quorum

Quorum was established

Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of Allegiance was led by President Katie Oliver.

Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was observed by the Board of Directors.

Approval of Agenda

Peter Hoepfner/Penny Vadla moved/seconded to approve the March 19, 2021 AASB Board of Directors agenda as presented.

Motion carries unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

1. Special Meeting November 4, 2020
2. Regular Meeting December 5, 2020

Peter Hoepfner/Marie Green moved/seconded approval of the Special Meeting November 4, 2020 and December 5, 2020 with grammatical changes.

Motion carries unanimously.

Correspondence

Correspondence was included in the board packet in the form of a Chevak SD thank you note for the face masks, thank you note from Mary Wegner Thank you for Timi and Tiffany's aspiring superintendent talk, Ketchikan SD vaccination letter, VNF Flyer featuring Lisa Worl, Mississippi School Board Association thank you.

Reports/Discussion Items

President's Report

President Katie Oliver provided a brief report which included thanking the Committee for their ongoing work during this interesting year.

Past Presidents Report

Past President Michael Swain thanked everyone and expressed hopefulness for meeting in person in July.

Executive Directors Report

Executive Director Lon Garrison referred to his written report in the board packet. He highlighted included:

- Annual policy updates are underway
- Section 3000 (Article 3) review is happening now
- Ida Eliason a retired controller is helping Laurie in the business

Annual Conference 2021

Jenni Lefing referred to the written 2020/2021 annual conference report provided in the board packet. Highlights included:

- 235 board members attended
- Workshops spread out throughout the week

Suggestions for the 2021 Annual Conference sessions were:

- Implicit bias training – equity
- Student moral
- Academic achievement, data analysis, progress, plans,
- Pandemic reflections
- Instructional equity
- Board training – Roles (AASB BOD, Pacific Region, NSBA, Local Board)
- Dealing with dissention and leading effective board members
- Curriculum
- Building partnerships
- Succession planning
- Social and Emotional wellbeing (resilience)
- Responsibility for systemic change

Finance Report

Speaker(s): Lon Garrison

Executive Director Lon Garrison gave provided the financial report because AASB does not currently have a Finance officer on staff.

A discussion followed.

NSBA Director's Report

Speaker(s): Peter Hoepfner

Peter Hpepfner provided a brief oral report of his NSBA report included in the board packet.

Discussion followed

AIAN Report

Speaker(s): Michael Swain

Michael Swain gave an oral report which included:

- NSBA Annual Conference registration information
- Chairing two AIAN chair, and participation in NSBA board meetings
- Encourages everyone to join AIAN and requested

Discussion followed.

ASAA Report

Dana Mock provided an oral report and referred to the minutes submitted as part of the board packet. Discussion followed.

Recessed at 2:43 p.m.

Reconvene at 2:53 p.m.

Associate Director's Report

Associate Director Timi Tullis provided a brief oral report reflective of her written report. Which included:

- In person workshops have begun again
- Long range plan will be led by Krissy Lamont from the Idaho School Board Association
- Travel arrangements for the summer meeting in Anchorage

Discussion followed

Alaska Ice Director's Report

Alaska ICE Director Lori Grassgreen provided an oral report and a written report provided in the board packet. Highlights include:

- SE Alaska partners are coming together around CTE Subsistence coursework
- It is hard for students moving into post-secondary during the pandemic
- Family partnership – tools are being provided to districts for staff

Discussion followed

Membership Services Directors Report

Membership Services Director Tiffany Jackson provided an oral reporting highlighting the following from her written report provided in the board packet.

- June Nelson Scholarship Committee has wrapped up and will provide a report later
- Charter School Academy work– scheduled for this year

Discussion followed.

Advocacy Director's Report

Advocacy Director Norm Wooten highlighted items in his written report:

- 88 bills are currently being tracked for education
- Advocacy committee has been meeting weekly
- Legislative committees are streamed and can watched online

Discussion followed.

Membership Committee Report

Chrya Sanderson provided a recap of the membership committee meeting and highlighted:

- Outreach to non-members (Valdez and Mat-Su)
- Benefits to members

Ad Hoc Advocacy Committee Report

- Minutes were provided in the board packet

Sustainability Committee Report

Brian Holst gave an oral report, highlights included:

- AASB Financial Reserves
- Operational expenditures
- Funding with and without grants
- Endowment concepts

JNMS Committee Report

Tiffany Jackson recapped the processes of scoring the scholarship applications, provided district information for the applicants, and indicated a potential policy change surrounding the date of the Spring Board meeting and the award.

Policy Committee Report

Michael Swain gave a brief oral report and highlighted the following from his written report:

- 18 policy changes
- A few other policy changes will be brought forward at the summer meeting

Discussion followed

Long-Range Plan Evaluation and Data Discussion

Lori Grassgreen asked how we can prepare for the summer meeting around what kind of information and data would the board like to review for the long-range plan.

Discussion followed

Board Vacancy

President Katie Oliver spoke to the two board vacancies the board will have as of early May. President Oliver outlined the process for appointing someone to the board.

Discussion followed.

Recessed at 4:42 p.m. on March 19, 2021

Reconvened at 1:01 p.m. on March 20, 2021

Action Items

Budget Revision

Lon Garrison and Lori Grassgreen provided information regarding the budget revision for the FIRE Grant and Kayuli grant.

Peter Hoepfner moved to accept the revisions to the 2021 budget as presented. Margo Bellamy seconded the motion. Motion passes and the 2021 budget is revised.

Policy

Policy Committee Chair Michael Swain moved to adopt the recommended board policies as presented with the exception of 313 and 305. Coming from committee the motion does not require a second. Motion passes.

Pulled policies: 313 and 305

Michael Swain moved to adopt policy 305 Vacancies on the Board of Directors as recommended. Coming from Committee it does not require a second. Motion carries.

On behalf of the policy committee Michael Swain moved to adopt policy 313 as presented. Coming from committee it does not require a second.

Brian Holst moved, seconded by Marie Greene to **amend** the proposed changes to policy 313 by striking the added in a listen only mode for in person meetings language.

4. Directors must attend regular Board of Directors meetings in person if the meeting is scheduled as an in-person meeting. Depending on circumstances, a regular meeting of the board may be held by virtual means. Attendance by teleconference or digital means is ~~not~~ **permitted in a "listen-only" mode for in-person meetings.**

Discussion followed

Deena Mitchell moved to **amend the amendment** to at the discretion of the President after the word permitted in the proposed amendment. The amendment to the amendment in section 4 of policy 313 would read:

Directors must attend regular Board of Directors meetings in person if the meeting is scheduled as an in-person meeting. Depending on circumstances, a regular meeting of the board may be held by virtual means. Attendance by teleconference or digital means is permitted **at the discretion of the President in a listen only mode for in-person meetings.**

Roll call vote 9 yea/s5 nays amendment to the amendment passes.

Amendment: Directors must attend regular Board of Directors meetings in person if the meeting is scheduled as an in-person meeting. Depending on circumstances, a regular meeting of the board may be held by virtual means. **Attendance by teleconference or digital means is permitted at the discretion of the President.**

Roll call vote 8 yeas/6 nays the amendment passes

Main motion: Adopt policy 313 as amended. Directors must attend regular Board of Directors meetings in person if the meeting is scheduled as an in-person meeting. Depending on circumstances, a regular meeting of the board may be held by virtual means. Attendance by teleconference or digital means is permitted **at the discretion of the President in a listen only mode for in-person meetings.**

Roll call vote of 6 yeas/8 nays the motion fails. The policy will return back to the policy committee for reworking.

JNMS

Speaker(s): Penny Vadla

Penny Vadla /Chrya Sanderson moved/ seconded to adopt the committee's recommendation for awards of the June Nelson Scholarship for 2021 as presented in its report to the Board

Motion carries.

Discussion followed

Michael Swain/Chrya Sanderson moved/ seconded to suspend the rules. Intent to move to reconsider the November meeting minutes so a correction can be made to those. Without objection the rules are suspended.

Michael Swain/Marie Greene moved/seconded to amend the November 04, 2020 meeting minutes to mark Barb Amarok as excused for the meeting.

Motion carries.

Board Comments

The board expressed the following comments:

Everyone is amazing, thank you.

Thank you for everyone for being so welcoming

Big thank you to staff

A moment to recognize Andi Story for HB 48

Thank you and appreciation to Norm Wooten

Applaud each board member

AASB staff – incredible group of people

AAAB's offerings became even more important with technology and student safety

Best wishes to Deena

Congratulation to Lon

Appreciate the conversations, everyone's voice at the table, it is a safe place.

Encourage board members to consider applying for the board vacancies.

Future Business

NSBA annual conference at the end of the month

June 8th – 10th NSBA Advocacy event

July 16th – July 18th AASB Summer BOD meeting

Adjournment

Deena Mitchell/Marie Greene moved/seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m. on Saturday, March 20, 2021.