



association of  
**ALASKA**  
school boards

**Association of Alaska School Boards  
Board of Directors  
REGULAR MEETING – March 24, 2018  
Westmark Baranof Hotel**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Mike Swain called the regular meeting of the Association of Alaska School Boards to order at 8:30 am.

**ROLL CALL**

Mike Swain	Present	Tiffany Jackson	Present
Tammy Pound	Present	Peter Hoepfner	Present
Andi Story	Present	Trevor Shaw	Present
Dana Mock	Excused	Clarence Daniel	Absent
Cass Pook	Present	Kathleen Plunkett	Present
Penny Vadla	Present	Sarah Welton	Present
Barb Amarok	Present	Lawrence Jones	Absent
Josh Keaton	Present		

**ESTABLISH QUORUM**

A quorum was established.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Swain.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

A Moment of Silence was observed by the Board of Directors.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION**

Pete/Trevor moved/seconded to approve the agenda as amended  
Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION**

Tiffany/Trevor moved/seconded to amend agenda by adding the following:

- 11. P – Mat Su Update**
- 12. E – New Phone System**

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION**

Trevor/Penny moved/seconded to approve the November Board of Director's Meeting Minutes as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

No visitors present.

**BOD WORKSHOPS AND ATTENDANCE**

Documents showing BOD member use of free workshops and attendance at meetings throughout the year were shared with the board.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence was included in the Board packet.

**REPORTS**

**AASB President's Report**

Mike Swain assumed his role as President and delivered an oral report highlighting some of the events he's attended since November.

Board discussion followed.

**Executive Director's Report**

Norm Wooten, AASB Executive Director, referred to his written report included in the board packet framed around the five board goals and provided a brief overview of activities that he and staff have engaged in since the last regular meeting in Anchorage.

Board discussion followed.

**NSBA Report**

Tiffany Jackson referred to her written report that contains board highlights that are shared after their meetings.

Board discussion followed.

**AI/AN Council Report**

Tiffany Jackson explained issues with registration, and that our state's involvement has significantly decreased.

Board discussion followed.

**AASA Report**

Clarence Daniel, who was not present, submitted a written report that was included in board packet.

No board discussion.

**Community Engagement Report**

Lori Grassgreen, Alaska ICE Director, referred to her written report included in the board packet.

Board discussion followed.

**RECESS: 10:20**  
**RECONVENE: 10:32am**

**Board Development and Field Services Report**

Timi Tullis referred to her written report in the board packet

Board discussion followed.

**Consortium for Digital Learning Report**

Bob Whicker referred to the written report included in the board

packet and gave a review of CDL.

**Annual Conference Report**

Board discussion followed.

Timi Tullis, Director of Board Development and Field Services, gave a brief review of the Annual Conference.

Board discussion followed.

**BLN Reports**

President, Michael Swain, asked if there were any questions or additions to the submitted reports.

Board had limited discussion on reports.

**Executive Director's Evaluation Process**

Vice President, Tiffany, lead the discussion on the evaluation process.

Board had limited discussion on this process.

**Board Self-Assessment Overview**

Past President, Pete spoke on this. Provided information on what it's for. This will be provided via survey monkey – and related to board goals (2016-2019).

Board had limited discussion this process.

**Grants Overview**

Timi Tullis wanted to clarify that she is attending Equity Conference for the STEPS Grants. All of this was discussed under the Staff Updates earlier.

No Board discussion on this.

**Advocacy Committee**

Pete discussed the Advocacy Meetings, referred to the minutes in the board packet.

Board discussion followed.

**LUNCH/RECESS: 11:45AM  
RECONVENE: 1:30PM**

**Summer Meeting**

Timi Tullis discussed the meeting would be in Girdwood. The 2019 location is to be determined.

Board discussion followed.

**Mat-Su Update**

Norm gave an update on the meeting that he attended with President Swain.

Board discussed extensively their personal thoughts and opinions on what direction we should go in, as a board.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Ratification of Executive Committee Minutes**

The Executive Committee Met on 11/29/17 and 12/11/17. Minutes included in board packet.

**MOTION**

Tammy moved to ratify the actions of these two meetings. Seconded by Penny.

Motion carries.

**Annual Audit**

The auditors attended the board meeting to present any information on the audit, and any findings. Max Mertz has moved on to pursue his own firm.

**MOTION**

Trevor moved to accept and approve the audit as presented.  
Seconded by Penny

Board discussion followed.

Motion carries.

**Summer 2019 Meeting**

Timi Tullis asked the board for suggestions on places to hold the 2019 meeting. Doesn't have to be locked down, but suggestions for looking into. Will expect Tiffany to give thoughts to location as well.

Board discussion followed.

No action took place.

**New Phone System**

Norm presented information on a new phone system, with three bids from Rainforest, GCI and ACS and found that GCI was the best.

**MOTION**

Trevor moved to accept the bid from GCI, and expend up to \$6,000 on a new phone system from GCI – as presented.  
Seconded by Penny.

Board discussion followed.

Motion carries.

**RECESS: 12:05**

**RECONVENE: 12:45**

**JNMS Scholarship**

Tiffany met with the committee; they have a couple things pending, and will have final names for release by the April 6<sup>th</sup> instead of March 30<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION**

Tiffany moved to postpone the publically announcing the winners of the scholarship until after April 4<sup>th</sup> with recommendation to award the two returning scholarships, and award the remaining scholarships to the top 13 students of AASB Member districts. No second needed.

The Board discussed at length the motion, and every single member got to speak on the subject.

Motion carried. (11-YES, 2- NO)

**Board Comments**

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**Future Business**

- Survey before long range planning, will be out (hopefully prior to May).
- Board Self-Evaluation Goals
- Commentary Article on Resolutions
- Equity Symposium to BOD
- Advertise Webinars more
- Get out info on AIAN to boards
- Resolution Process
- Emphasize Governance in Meetings/Conferences
- Norm will send out MatSu Notice

**ADJOURNMENT  
MOTION**

Tiffany/Trevor moved/seconded the AASB Board to adjourn the regular meeting of the Association of Alaska School Boards.

Motion carried unanimously.

President Mike Swain adjourned the regular meeting of the Association of Alaska School Boards at 4:20pm

A True record.

ATTEST:

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Secretary/Treasurer