



**Association of Alaska School Boards
UNAPPROVED MINUTES
Board of Directors
REGULAR MEETING - November 12, 2018
Anchorage Hilton Hotel**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the AASB was called to order by President Jackson at 8:40am.

ROLL CALL

Tiffany Jackson	Present	Michael Swain	Present
Barb Amarok	Present	Peter Hoepfner	Present
Clarence Daniel	Present	Dana Mock	Present
Penny Vadla	Present	Katie Oliver	Present
Deena Mitchell	Present	Lawrence Jones, Sr.	Excused
Wassillie Gust	Present	Roxanne Brower	Present
Starr Marsett	Present	Ebett Siddon	Excused
Tillie Ticket	Present		

ESTABLISH QUORUM A quorum was established.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Jackson.

MOMENT OF SILENCE A moment of silence was observed by the Board of Directors.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION Pete Hoepfner/Clarence Daniel moved/seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES
July 21-22, 2018**

MOTION Pete Hoepfner/Penny Vadla moved/seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Correction to the minutes was noted – Trevor was not present.

Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

There were none 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.

Board discussion followed. Free workshops go from November to November and does not include Annual Conference Registration.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence was included in the Board packet.

REPORTS

AASB President's Report

Tiffany Jackson reported on her activities as President Elect. Highlights included:

- Attended the NSBA meeting in Park City in October. Pete Hoepfner was elected to Chair of the Pacific Region.
- Attended the NSBA board meeting in October.

AASB Past President's Report

Mike Swain reported on his activities as President, highlights included:

- Attended NSBA Pacific Region – congratulations to Pete on becoming Chair of the NSBA Pacific Region.

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.

Norm highlighted the following:

- Staff is at capacity to the point where they have to turn down workshops that serve our membership; we need one more staff person. Will let the Board know when we're closer to hiring for this position.
- Deferred maintenance list for our building. AASB owns it outright. This fall we has an above ground fuel tank installed and filled in the underground tank. We were not sure how long it had been in place and being about 100 yards from Gastineau Channel it was a necessary precaution. Our parking lot needs attention; there is a sinkhole that has created a 'lake' that needs to be repaired, getting bids to have this completed in the spring of 2019.
- September financials were reviewed. AASB is on track for this time of year.

Norm said he's available for any questions at any time.

NSBA Director's Report

Tiffany Jackson reported on her activities. Highlights were:

- They are making some progress financially, but the pension plan still looms over NSBA. There will be further discussion on possible dues changes at their meeting next month.
- AIAN did receive a non-voting seat on the board; Mike will have more in his report to follow.

AIAN Council Report

Mike Swain explained the process of the AIAN Caucus becoming a council. He will be running for a seat on the board, there are other seats available and he encourages you to run or join. It's a great way to represent our members and state.

Board discussion followed including engaging more Alaska board members, Native and non-native, to join the AIAN council to support Alaska Native students and American Indian students across the nation.

Mike was asked to share any information he has and to keep the board updated.

AASB Review

Tiffany Jackson and Timi Tullis gave some background on the documents included in the packet: AASB Guiding Statements, BOD Code of Ethics and Job Description, 2018 BOD Calendar, and Policy #323. These documents are an introduction to new board members as well as a renewal of the commitment from current board members on how the board operates and behaves.

A goal of the board is to serve as a governance model for every school board in the state and committing to the code of ethics and paying attention to guiding statements and policies are a great step toward that.

The board had brief comments and discussion on these items. Comments included:

- Appreciated how positive the Code of Ethics are written
- Emphasize the importance of attending the AASB board meetings and teleconferences.
- Tiffany requested that you please let her know if you are unable to attend a board meeting.

Associate Executive Director's Report

Timi Tullis, AASB Associate Executive Director, referred to her written report included in the board packet. Highlights included:

- Juneau School District asked her and Lori Grassgreen to do a 6 part training task force.
- Timi has never worked directly with Northwest Arctic School Board, but thanks to Tillie Ticket, she went out 2 times this fall, it's been a long time we've worked with the district.
- Superintendent workshops to help orient new Superintendents to assist them in being successful.
- Roxanne commented that she liked the work AASB is doing with the district with language preservation. Listening to Elders in the community translating, she realized that they could speak the language but not read and write. Wassalie said it's the same for them to understand English; you need to read it many times before they understand.
- Timi commented on the Free Board workshops and that they are available for all AASB conferences except the Annual Conference.

Community Engagement Report

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

- At next years' annual conference there will be a pre-conference day around family partnerships. Support work with EED family partnership.
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation brought Bentham Watson to the annual conference.
- STEPS grant serving 7 communities and about 60 district/partners. She recognized the new staff hired to carry out the goals and objectives of this grant: Emily Ferry, Collective Impact Coordinator, Lisa Worl - Partnership Coordinator and Pat Sidmore – Data and Systems Coordinator.

Alaska School Activities Association Report

Clarence referenced his written report. He was available for questions.

- He thanked Pete Hoepfner for attending a couple meeting that he was unable to attend.
- He encouraged you to provide him feedback, without it he can't give ASAA feedback.
- They discussing a way to reduce/streamline state conference, he asked for input.
- They are considering going from 12 berths down to 8.in some cases drawing lines across the regions in order to create regions.
- You can always contact your region athletic director with question, comments or information requests.
- Question was asked if smoking and vaping were the same or two separate issues? You need to talk to your fellow board members and athletic directors about substance abuse issues and taking this seriously.

Report on Forum Meetings

AASB Directors reported on like-size district forums that met during the Annual Conference: Urban (large), Rural/REAA, Municipalities

(Mid Size) and Single Site.

Comments included:

- More copies of resolutions available in the meeting room or the ability to project them on a screen so everyone can see them.
- Conflicting meetings for Thursday when the resolutions committee meets. Hard to schedule without adding another day to the conference.
- Remind your board to appoint a board member to attend Thursday's resolutions committee meeting.
- Have someone available who could answer questions regarding a resolution. AASB staff doesn't want to be a part of the discussion and tries to stay out of these meetings.
- More direction on what the goal of the forum meetings are: more information on terms and process and prioritizing resolutions.
- Perhaps AASB could have a webinar on the Resolutions process?

Annual Conference Review

Timi Tullis gave a brief review of the Annual Conference day-by-day and asked for feedback from the board. She thanked the Board of Directors for their participation during the weekend and asked for ideas, suggestions, and comments for next year. A few ideas and comments follow.

- How many evaluations do we get back? Similar to last year.
- Can there be paper copies available for those that are not computer (technology) savvy? Elders may not participate.
- More interaction with students.
- Enjoyed the element of fun with the board game and door prizes.
- Scrolling screens on the side of the speaker were distracting.
- Explain what all the acronyms mean.
- Additional comments – overall another great conference.

If you have any additional comments or suggestions please let Timi know.

Long Range Plan Report

Timi Tullis said the Board spent a full day at the summer meeting reviewing the Long Range Plan.

During the year, the Long Range Plan committees met via teleconference. The committees wanted a measurement too to assist them be more specific about what they want to see happen, more specific than many pages of suggestions.

Comments included:

- Appreciated the process and how well organized it was and how it allowed them to come to conclusion.
- Appreciated the committees and the work they did.
- Norm wanted to publicly acknowledge our folks that organized the

committee meetings, he uses the goals when completing his reports to the board.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of FY 2019 Budget

Norm Wooten and Diana Miller gave an overview of the proposed budget, budget process, and the involvement of the entire AASB staff.

Board discussion followed and Norm and Diana answered questions. The board appreciated the attention to detail and transparency that Diana and Norm offered through the budget narrative and entire budget packet.

Recommendation to review AASB Policy 205 and add 'or designee'.

MOTION

Mike Swain/Clarence Daniel moved/seconded to approve and adopt the FY 2019 budget as presented.

Tiffany Jackson	Yes	Mike Swain	Yes
Barb Amarok	Yes	Pete Hoepfner	Yes
Clarence Daniel	Yes	Dana Mock	Yes
Penny Valda	Yes	Katie Oliver	Yes
Deena Mitchell	Yes	Lawrence Jones, Sr.	N/A
Wassillie Gust	Yes	Roxanne Brower	Yes
Starr Marsett	Yes	Ebette Siddon	N/A
Tillie Ticket	Yes		

A roll call vote was taken. With 13 in favor and 0 against, the motion carried.

Approval of the 2018 Long Range And Mission Statement

MOTION

Mike Swain/Penny Vadla moved/seconded to approve and adopt the 2018 Long Range Plan and Mission Statement as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Priority Issues for 2019

The board broke into groups to discuss key points brought up in the like-sized forums during conference. After these conversations, Timi brought the board back together as a whole to facilitate a discussion to find alignment among the topics highlighted from each group.

The AASB Staff AASB staff was given direction to draft language based on the commonalities found among the groups.

2019 BLN Assignments New BLN contact assignments were made for the new board members. *(See the attached BLN Assignments.)*

Committee Appointments The AASB Board makes significant use of the committee structure, using teleconferencing as an economical and effective way of holding these meetings.

President Jackson asked Directors to volunteer for the following committees for 2019: Policy, Constitution and Bylaws, Scholarship, Membership, Sustainability, and Ad hoc Advocacy.

(The attached 2018-2019 list of committee assignments reflects those who volunteered.)

Future Business

MOTION

Mike Swain/Katie Oliver moved/seconded the Board suspend the rules to add item F. 2019 Summer Board Meeting to the agenda.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed dates for the upcoming 2019 summer board meeting.

A discussion followed. The dates of July 19-21 or 12-14 were suggested.

MOTION

Mike Swain/Penny Vadla moved/seconded the Board hold its summer meeting July 19-21.

Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD COMMENTS

- Welcome to the newly elected and returning board members.
- Very productive meeting.
- Share our contact information with each other for better communications.
- Thank you to the board for being so accepting and the learning experience – always learning!
- Great group, thanks to the staff for all they do!
- Nice to have a full board again and provide a unified voice at the table, excited to feel the energy.
- Tough time in education in the next few years and finding common ground. Time to get to work.
- Thank you all for being on this journey together to serve all youth.

**ADJOURNMENT
MOTION**

Clarence Daniel/Penny Vadla moved/seconded the AASB Board to adjourn the regular meeting of the Association of Alaska School Boards.

Motion carried unanimously.

President Tiffany Jackson adjourned the regular meeting of the Association of Alaska School Boards at 3:36 p.m.

A True record.

ATTEST:

Secretary/Treasurer

**AASB BOARD OF DIRECTORS
2019 BOARD LIAISON NETWORK (B.L.N.)
ASSIGNMENTS**

Each Director on the AASB Board will be responsible for making contact with board presidents in the districts listed below.

Peter Hoepfner (Cordova)

Kashunamiut
Lower Yukon
Valdez

Katie Oliver (Kodiak)

Chugach
Annette Islands
Cordova

Roxanne Brower (North Slope)

Hydaburg
Copper River
Iditarod
Kuspuk

Starr Marsett (Anchorage)

Aleutians East
Bristol Bay
Pribilof
Lake & Peninsula

Penny Vadla (Kenai)

Denali
Nenana
Anchorage
Mat-Su

Dana Mock (Delta/Greely)

Delta/Greely
Galena
Yukon Koyukuk
Alaska Gateway

Michael Swain (Bristol Bay)

Dillingham
Southwest Region
Craig
Unalaska

Barb Amarok (Nome)

Lower Kuskokwim
North Slope
Bering Strait

Tillie Ticket (Northwest Arctic)

Wrangell
Petersburg
Mt. Edgecumbe
Pelican

Lawrence Jones (Northwest Arctic)

St. Mary's
Nome
Southeast Island

Clarence Daniel (LKSD)

Northwest Arctic
Kenai
Yakutat

Tiffany Jackson (Aleutians East)

Chatham
Haines
Sitka
Juneau

Wassillie Gust (Southwest Region)

Aleutian Region (w/ Norm)
Skagway
Yupit
Tanana

Ebette Siddon (Juneau)

Hoonah
Kake
Klawock
Ketchikan

Deena Mitchell (Anchorage)

Fairbanks
Kodiak
Yukon Flats

**AASB Board of Directors
2019 Committee Assignments**

POLICY

Pete Hoepfner, Chair
Starr Marsett
Dana Mock
Tillie Ticket
Mike Swain

CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

Katie Oliver, Chair
4 others from membership

SCHOLARSHIP

Katie Oliver, Chair
Wassillie Gust
Tillie Ticket
Tiffany Jackson
Deena Mitchell
Ebette Siddon
Penny Vadla

MEMBERSHIP

Dana Mock, Chair
Penny Vadla
Wassillie Gust
Roxanne Brower

SUSTAINABILITY

Barb Amarok, Chair
Starr Marsett
Lawrence Jones
Pete Hoepfner

AD HOC ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

Clarence Daniel, Chair
Deena Mitchell
Pete Hoepfner
Ebette Siddon

ALASKA SCHOOL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE

Clarence Daniel