

APPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
YUKON-KOYUKUK SCHOOL DISTRICT

October 3, 2014

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Chairperson McGinty called the 323rd Regular Board Meeting of the Yukon-Koyukuk School District to order at 9:02 a.m. on October 3, 2014 in the gym at Johnny Oldman School in Hughes, Alaska.

Roll call was as follows:

Maurice McGinty
Eleanor Yatlin (Absent-Excused)
Eileen Jackson
Wilma David
Dian Gurtler
Shirley Kruger
Gloria Patsy

A quorum was declared present. Also present for all or parts of the meeting were Kerry Boyd, Kimberlee Pippin, Lisa Pearce, Patty White, Pauline Romero, Don Romero, Madeline Williams, Janet Bifelt, Wilmer Beetus, Hugh Bifelt, Sigwien Cleveland, Patty White, Ella Sam and Josephine McGinty.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairperson McGinty introduced the minutes for September 4, 2014 Regular Board Meeting. **Wilma David** moved to approve the minutes for September 4, 2014. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. **Wilma David** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).

IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Chairperson McGinty opened the floor for anyone wishing to address the School Board.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Chairperson McGinty introduced the agenda. **Gloria Patsy** moved to adopt the agenda. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. **Chairperson McGinty** added a student presentation and also added under New Business: FY15 Budget Journal Entries and Executive Session. **Wilma David** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).

REPORTS:

1. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Curriculum Committee Report. **Dian Gurtler** reported on new Alaska standards: Implementation, alignment with materials and training; Alaska Measure of Progress (AMP): New state test and online testing; Teacher Evaluation System: Danielson - instructional coaching, evaluation process and Student Learning Objectives (SLO's); Update on curriculum and instructional materials: Math, distance education language arts class and science. There was discussion. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Policy Committee Report. **Wilma David** reported on the board policies updates that were entertained at this meeting. BP/AR 6162.5 Standardized Testing will need to be revised before approval. Regarding BP 8120 Elections, it will be optional for CSCs to chose whether or not they want a student representative to sit on their CSC.

Chairperson McGinty introduced the Native Language Committee. **Maurice McGinty** reported on Native Language teacher Susan Paskvan's culture camp, language class schedule and time line.

Chairperson McGinty introduced the Hughes students. Johnny Oldman School language teacher, **Madeline Williams** presented students who sang a weather song and "tootie-ta" song.

2. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Superintendent Report. **Superintendent Boyd** reported on the Fun Run taking place that same day in Hughes. She has been traveling to the different sites to make sure teachers and principals have resources they need to be successful in the schools and classrooms. The district has just gone through an extensive special education audit and now is preparing for a federal programs audit. **Superintendent Boyd** has been informed by the Juneau Division of Retirement and Benefits that we are selected to be audited next week. These audits have taken extensive time from our staff and has taken a toll on every employee. She has been meeting with CSC's across the district and they want nothing more than the best for their students. Manley missed being a five star school by less than two points; which is remarkable considering that they have limited resources. Minto barely missed becoming a four star school but the staff all work so hard and will continue to strive even harder. She has seen support and dedication from the employees so we are moving in the right direction regardless of obstacles of our rural district. Pre-K programs are at every site, student councils district wide and graduates talking about college and careers. Site administrators are working diligently to complete an RTI plan on every student who isn't proficient in reading writing and/or math. We are still accepting applications for CNA program. The student who is elected next month for Student Council President will become the school board student representative. Phlight Club is scheduled for this month in Nulato. Enrollment at sites is increasing from last week. Kaltag principal has been asked to consider changing to a K-8 school and run the idea by the CSC. There was discussion.

(Attachment A)

3. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Chief Financial Report. **Lisa Pearce** said the staff within the business department are working on improving the efficiency of various processes. We have good staff with good solid experience. She reported on expenditure information, budget revisions, purchase orders over \$40,000 and student activities. There was discussion.

(Attachment B)

4. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Coordinator's & Director's Reports. Chairperson McGinty accepted the reports as written.

(Attachment C)

5. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Principal's Report. **Patty White** thanked everyone for coming to Hughes for the board meeting. She said Johnny Oldman School currently has 13 younger and older students with no students in between 3rd and 10th grade. Two seniors are on track for graduation in May. It is a privilege to have two new teachers, Don and Pauline Romero as they bring a lot of experience. The CSC is very active and supportive. CSC members **Wilmer Beatus, Hugh Bifelt and Janet Bifelt** are attending the meeting today. **Amanda Oldman-Tritt** and **Ella Sam** are also on the CSC.

There is discussion about having a fall carnival at the end of the month. The covered dish last month welcoming the new teachers was much appreciated. Lego robotics class is

being taught by **Don Romero**. High-school students are taking a language arts class taught by **Peggy Bruno** and it is going well. Elementary students are actively learning to read and are working on the new math program. Students are participating in the Fun Run today and all are invited to participate. There was discussion.

10:25am – Break

10:42am – Resumed Meeting

IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Chairperson McGinty reopened the option for persons desiring to address the board. Hugh Bifelt shared concern about the counselor turn-over rate. A comment was made that even though the school's student count is 13 right now there are a lot of young kids who are coming up in Hughes to grow the number of students.

DISCUSSION:

1. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced AASB Resolutions. **Superintendent Boyd** discussed Resolution 15-03 which has to do with providing an outreach program funding school districts for one additional year so that students ages 18-20 have support in obtaining a high school diploma. We currently have 66 students (including Raven Correspondence students) who would qualify for this program if it were started. She also discussed Resolution 15-04 which has to do with equitable educational funding for rural students. There was discussion.
(Attachment D)
2. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Attendance. **Superintendent Boyd** discussed an incentive to improve student attendance: A snow machine give-away prize in May. Quarterly student recognition rewards will be given for school attendance, being on time and good citizenship.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1-3. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced AASB Board Member Nomination Seat, Carl Rose Governance Award and Outstanding Board of the Year. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve AASB Board Member Nomination Seat, Carl Rose Governance Award and Outstanding Board of the Year. **Wilma David** seconded the motion. Shirley Kruger and Eleanor Yatlin were chosen for AASB Member Nomination Seat. Dian Gurtler was chosen for the Carl Rose Governance Award and the Yukon-Koyukuk School District self-nominated for the Outstanding Board of the Year. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).
4. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Classified Handbook. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve Classified Handbook. **Eileen Jackson** seconded the motion. **Superintendent Boyd** discussed the Classified Handbook. The board gave **Superintendent Boyd** editorial privileges of the Classified Handbook to better define proper staff tardiness procedure. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).
(Attachment E)
5. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Boarding Home Program. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve Boarding Home Program. **Eileen Jackson** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).

(Attachment F)

DISCUSSION:

3. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Teacher Evaluation. **Chane Beam** explained that this year teachers will be trained and the evaluation will be piloted. Every teacher is doing the observation part this year and next year it will officially go into effect. Chane showed what the AMP test looks like. It is a test that is taken over the internet. There was discussion.

(Attachment G)

11:53 pm – Lunch

12:35 pm – Resumed Meeting

6. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced 1-800 Calling Card Number for School Board. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve 1-800 Calling Card Number for School Board. **Wilma David** seconded the motion. Board members can use this number for YKSD business without charge. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).
7. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Expanding Horizons Grant. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve Expanding Horizons Grant. **Eileen Jackson** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Wilma David** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).
- (Attachment H)
8. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Indian Ed Title VII. **Eileen Jackson** moved to approve Indian Ed Title VII. **Wilma David** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).
- (Attachment I)
9. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Moore Grant. **Eileen Jackson** moved to approve Moore Grant. **Gloria Patsy** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).
- (Attachment J)
10. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Carl Perkins CTE Grant. **Eileen Jackson** moved to approve Carl Perkins CTE Grant. **Wilma David** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).
- (Attachment K)
11. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Career and Technical Education Grant. **Eileen Jackson** moved to approve Career and Technical Education Grant. **Gloria Patsy** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Wilma David** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).
- (Attachment L)
- 12-21. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced BP 4218 Personnel Dismissal/Discussion/Disciplinary Action, BP 0500 Review and Evaluation, BP/AR 0520 School Accountability/School Improvement, BP 4112.1 Contracts, BP 4115 Evaluation/Supervision, BP 4117.6 Nonretention, E 4119.21 Code of Ethics and Teaching Standards, BP/AR 5141.4 Child Abuse and Neglect and BP 8120 Elections. **Gloria Patsy** moved to BP 4218 Personnel

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Eileen Jackson seconded the motion. BP 8120 Elections was discussed and it was added that it is optional for a CSC to have a student representative. There was discussion.

Eileen Jackson called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).

(Attachment M)

- 22-23. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced FY15 Purchase Orders over \$40,000 and FY 15 Budget Journal Entries. **Eileen Jackson** moved to approve FY15 Purchase Orders over \$40,000 and FY 15 Budget Journal Entries. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Eileen Jackson** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).

(Attachment N)

24. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Personnel Actions. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve Personnel Actions. **Eileen Jackson** seconded the motion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).

(Attachment O)

12:55 pm – Executive Session

1:05 pm – Resumed Meeting

ITEMS INTRODUCED BY BOARD MEMBERS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

Chairperson McGinty asked for items for the next board meeting agenda. If you have other items prior to the meeting please contact the board clerk.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Dian Gurtler The building is beautifully clean, the classrooms are so cheerful and the teachers and the kids all seem to be happy. The potluck was wonderful and I'm glad we got to see everybody again. I'm ever so glad we got off the ground in the first place and got here. Would like to thank Kim for her work. Jolene's report from the last meeting about how she gets juniors and seniors lined up for graduation was wonderful. She's doing exactly as we asked her to do. Would like to thank her for all her hard work.

Wilma David Was also impressed with how clean and taken care of the school is here. That's the first thing I noticed when I came in. Thank you CSC members that participated in our meeting, listened and gave input. Thank you for the good moose soup last night and all the people that came. Good meeting.

Eileen Jackson Welcome to Hughes. I am glad we're having the meeting here. It's good to have the meetings in the villages.

Gloria Patsy So happy to be here. One of the perks about being on the board is not only to have a say in my own children's education and other children's education but we also get to travel. The last time we went to my hometown of Hughes was for Grandpa's potluck. During last night's potluck there were kids flying all over the place and trying to start their own band. Hughes looks like they are doing awesome and they have a good staff. I enjoyed visiting with the new teachers. One of the things we need to try to impress on the parents, community members and students is that they need to take pride in their community, schools, and selves. I think if we do that then we won't have as many kids

leaving. We need to come up with a way: Talk to our teachers, site administrators and counselors. Children and parents own our schools. What we put into our schools will make them better. I like our temporary teacher, Tommy Dahill, in Nulato. He seems to fit right in and likes our native food. I am glad I'm here and will continue to run on the school board because I have a vested interest in it. Can't wait to come back.

Maurice McGinty Thank you to the community of Hughes for a covered dish that was very well put together. Thank you CSC members for sitting in on the board meeting. It's very important. We come together and work hard to try to make accomplishments so that our students are recipients of the best education that we can possibly give them. I cannot see anywhere that we can give our students a better education than from their home community and parents. Thank you to Hughes for allowing us to come for the meeting. My chair is up for election this year. If I don't get on then this is the last time I will be at the board meeting but we'll let the voters decide that. It's been a pleasure and I hope it continues. Thanks again to Hughes.

Shirley Kruger would like to apologize to the community of Hughes for not visiting. It is really a pleasure to sit on the board. It is an asset to the board to visit the communities so we know the needs of each community because each is different. It is good to hear from the public and I am so happy to see the CSC members. The children's presentation was really neat. Can see they are learning to listen and take in the native language. Proud of Hughes that they have a native teacher who works with children on a daily basis. Also proud of staff and community of Hughes that the school is a three star school working towards their fourth star. Right now in Nulato we need a CDL driver. Attendance is a big problem through-out our district. It is a full circle between parents, students and teachers. In each community they could track the attendance. Really like that the boarding home was approved. Dr. John Wilsey trained us to be on the local CSC's. I sit here today because I was trained by somebody. When we put leadership skills into people they grow. We need to be up on our technology. Hi to you guys in Hughes! Really good job with the school and students!

DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Chairperson McGinty introduced the date and place of the next meeting. The Regular School Board Meeting will be the 5th of November at Glacier Brewhouse in Anchorage, Alaska.

ADJOURNMENT:

Gloria Patsy moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:25 pm. **Eileen Jackson** seconded the motion. **Eileen Jackson** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Shirley Kruger-Video Conference); (Absent-Eleanor Yatlin).

Meeting adjourned at 1:25 pm.

Wilma David, Board Secretary

Kimberlee Pippin, Board Clerk