

APPROVED MINUTES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
YUKON-KOYUKUK SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 14, 2011

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**Vice-Chairperson Patsy** called the 294<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting of the Yukon-Koyukuk School District to order at 9:30 a.m. on June 14, 2011 in the Board of Education Room at Yukon-Koyukuk School District Office located at Fairbanks, Alaska.

Roll call was as follows:

Maurice McGinty (Teleconference)  
Gloria Patsy  
Dian Gurtler  
Eleanor Yatlin (arrived at 9:50 am)  
Fred Bifelt  
Jeremy Charlie  
Christina Semaken

A quorum was declared present. Also present for all or part of the meeting Carl Knudsen, Cindy Reilly, Kerry Boyd, and Cheryl Brady.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

**Vice-Chairperson Patsy** asked everyone present to introduce themselves to the District School Board. Present at the meeting were Kerry Boyd, Superintendent; Cindy Reilly, Chief Financial Officer, Carl Knudsen, VPSC Grant and Cheryl Brady, Board Clerk.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the minutes for April 29, 2011 Regular Board Meeting. **Jeremy Charlie** moved to approve the April 29, 2011 Regular Board Meeting minutes. **Christina Semaken** seconded the motion. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Eleanor Yatlin-Absent).

**IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

**Vice-Chairperson Patsy** opened the floor for anyone wishing to address the School Board. Vice-Chairperson Patsy left this section open.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the agenda. **Fred Bifelt** moved to adopt the agenda. **Christina Semaken** seconded the motion. **Fred Bifelt** added under Discussion, #2-Maintenance Department and **Superintendent Boyd** added under New Business, #19-Allakaket Water/General Fund. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Eleanor Yatlin-Absent).

**REPORTS:**

1. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the Native Language Report. **Christina Semaken** reported on the meeting and areas of discussion were revisiting the Vision and Value Statements, Goals and Objectives. A curriculum workshop will take place before or after the September District Wide Inservice. There was discussion regarding the curriculum, biographies, traditional music, MapTEACH, Genealogy and Native Place Names. A grant would help to cover some of the areas of need to bring this

program and projects together. Also look at partnering with Tribal Councils for funding biographies etc. **Gloria Patsy** reported on the Legislative Committee. Areas touched on were the Capital Improvement Projects for Kaltag and Nulato and we are still waiting to see if the funding will go through and should hear something in the near future. Also touched on were the timeline for implementation of projects, development for the CIP Project Lists, Community Projects, redistricting the boundaries of the school board and the Moore Case.

Eleanor Yatlin arrived at 9:50 am during the report from the Legislative Committee.

**Eleanor Yatlin** reported on the Certified Hiring Committee. There was discussion on the positions that were vacant and which ones have been filled to date. There was much discussion on the Vocational Education Position and what the committee would like to see for the direction of this new position. Superintendent Boyd will revise this job description to fall in line with this discussion. **Dian Gurtler** reported on the Curriculum Committee meeting. Areas discussed were the math recommendations along with the rotation of Social Studies and the upcoming review of Language Arts. The committee also went through the parent designed classes for Raven Correspondence and touched on the process with the conclusion that this process is tailored to fit not only the parents but the school district. Harry White also brought to the committee an aviation ground school and explained how the program would run. **Fred Bifelt** reported on the Building Committee. Mr. Bifelt ran through the various projects at each site and what needs to be completed and what has to happen to get everything into place for the beginning of the school year. After this committee meeting was held it was made apparent how much there is to complete and how little time and resources there is for the completion of these projects. Other areas brought up were the trailer, house in Nulato, and the water being shut down this summer for the school and teacher housing in Nulato along with a school bus for Huslia and Minto.

2. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the Superintendent Report. **Superintendent Boyd** reported on the following items: General Information; Grants; Student Achievement; Maintenance; Budget; and Legislative. There was discussion.
3. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the report from Cindy Reilly, CFO. **Cindy Reilly** moved through her written report. There was discussion.  
(Attachment A thru A-4)
4. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the written reports from Director's and Coordinator's. **Fred Bifelt** would like to see reports from the Director's and Coordinator's in narrative form instead of bullet format. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** accepted the reports as written and requested the reports be given to the board in a narrative format in the future.  
(Attachment B thru B-15)
5. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the VPSC Grant Report. **Carl Knudsen** presented a power point to the Board walking through areas showing the growth, teacher retention, assets and resiliency and class bright. There was also discussion regarding the i3 grant application and VPSC grant will have the RFP opened in February 2012 and at that time a new grant application will be submitted. There was discussion.

12:15 – Break

12:39 – Resumed Meeting

### DISCUSSION:

1. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the discussion for the Alatna Fall/Spring Teacher. **Superintendent Boyd** presented a letter from the Alatna Tribe and her response back to Alatna. There was discussion (Attachment C thru C-2)
2. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the discussion for the Maintenance Department. Mr. Bifelt would like to know if the district would prosper by bidding out the facilities. How is it handled around the State? There was discussion.

### NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced Resolution 11-07 (Martha Demoski Retirement). **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve Resolution 11-07. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. **Christina Semaken** read Resolution 11-07. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED. (Attachment D)
2. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced Resolution 11-08 (Ruth Folger Retirement). **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve Resolution 11-08. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. **Christina Semaken** read Resolution 11-08. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED. (Attachment E)
3. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced Resolution 11-09 (Virginia Ned Retirement). **Jeremy Charlie** moved to approve Resolution 11-09. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. **Christina Semaken** read Resolution 11-09. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED. (Attachment F)
4. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced Resolution 11-10 (AMLJIA Loss Control Incentive Program). **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve Resolution 11-10. **Jeremy Charlie** seconded the motion. **Dian Gurtler** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED. (Attachment G)
5. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced Resolution 12-00 (School Board Stipends & Per Diem). **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve Resolution 12-00. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. **Dian Gurtler** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED. (Attachment H)
6. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced Resolution 12-01 (Application to the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Teacher & Health Professional Housing Grant Program). **Jeremy Charlie** moved to approve Resolution 12-01. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED. (Attachment I)

7. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the 3 Year Term Engineering Services Contract. **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve the 3 Year Term Engineering Services Contract. **Jeremy Charlie** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Christina Semaken-Out of the room during vote).  
(Attachment J thru J-1)
8. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the 3 Year Term Architectural Services Contract. **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve the 3 Year Architectural Services Contract. **Jeremy Charlie** seconded the motion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Christina Semaken-Out of the room during vote).  
(Attachment K thru K-1)
9. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the Carol White Physical Education Grant Application. **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve the Carol White Physical Education Grant Application. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Christina Semaken-Out of the room during vote).  
(Attachment L)
10. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced IDEA, Title IV-B and 619 (Combined) Application. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve the IDEA, Title IV-B and 619 (Combined) Application. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment M)
11. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Award. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Award. **Jeremy Charlie** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment N)
12. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced BP 0411-Service Animals (3rd Reading). **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve BP 0411-Service Animals. **Jeremy Charlie** seconded the motion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment O thru O-1)
13. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the RCS Parent Designed Classes. **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve the RCS Parent Designed Classes. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. **Christina Semaken** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment P)
14. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the FY11 Budget Revisions. **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve the FY11 Budget Revisions. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. **Dian Gurtler** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment Q)
15. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced FY11 Purchase Orders over \$40,000. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve FY11 Purchase Orders over \$40,000. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Christina Semaken** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment R)

16. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced Mikunda, Cottrell & Co., Audit Services Contract. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve the Mikunda, Cottrell & Co., Audit Services Contract. **Fred Bifelt** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment S thru S-6)
17. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the 2011-2012 School Board Meeting Schedule. **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve the 2011-2012 School Board Meeting Schedule. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Fred Bifelt** and **Eleanor Yatlin** withdrew their motion and asked that this item be brought back at the August Meeting
18. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced Personnel Actions. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve Personnel Actions. **Jeremy Charlie** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Jeremy Charlie-Abstained).  
(Attachment T thru T-3)
19. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the Allakaket Water/General Fund. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve the Allakaket Water/General Fund. **Fred Bifelt** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment U)

#### **ITEMS INTRODUCED BY BOARD MEMBERS FOR NEXT AGENDA:**

**Vice-Chairperson Patsy** asked for items for the next board meeting agenda. Let Maurice McGinty or Cheryl Brady know if you want to add an item to the August Meeting.

#### **BOARD COMMENTS:**

**Jeremy Charlie** thanked the Board for their support to his family during their time of hardships. Principals need to be urged to have the Maintenance at their site performing up to higher standards than previously seen throughout the District.

**Dian Gurtler** wanted to thank the Maintenance personnel at the Sites as many of them are doing outstanding jobs and do not get the recognition that they deserve. Thanked the Board and Carl Knudsen for the good news.

**Maurice McGinty** thanked Gloria for filling in as the Chairperson of the Meeting. Attending by teleconference is very difficult. Mr. McGinty would not recommend attending the meeting by teleconference.

**Fred Bifelt** thanked the Board for a good meeting even though it was a long meeting it was a good meeting.

**Christina Semaken** wants to see improvement in the Maintenance Department so that the Board can focus on other items of the District. Thanked Cindy Reilly for educating the Board on their spending. Thanked Kerry for all she does.

**Eleanor Yatlin** thanked everyone and it is good to see how the board with their different views brings it full circle.

**Gloria Patsy** would like to see the Board incorporate more interaction with Raven Correspondence and invite them to meetings that are held in Fairbanks. Proper procedures-Robert Rules need to be used at Board Meetings. At the August Meeting Ms. Patsy would like to see travel mapped out for the upcoming year with who is attending what conferences.

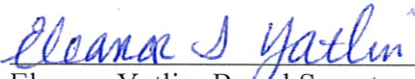
**DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING:**

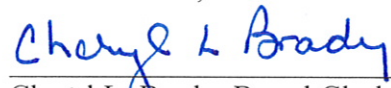
**Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the date and place of the next meeting. The Regular School Board Meeting is August 26, 2011 in Hughes.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Jeremy Charlie** moved to adjourn the meeting. **Christina Semaken** seconded the motion. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 01:58 pm.

  
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Eleanor Yatlin, Board Secretary

  
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Cheryl L. Brady, Board Clerk