

APPROVED MINUTES
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Chairperson McGinty called the 291st Regular Board Meeting of the Yukon-Koyukuk School District to order at 9:42 a.m. on January 28, 2011 in the gym at Kaltag School in Kaltag, Alaska.

Roll call was as follows:

Maurice McGinty
Gloria Patsy
Dian Gurtler
Eleanor Yatlin
Fred Bifelt
Jeremy Charlie
Christina Semaken

A quorum was declared present. Also present for all or part of the meeting Carl Knudsen, Fred Alexie, Louisa Paniptchuk, Rudy Edwin, Lina Edwin, Lawrence Saunders Sr., Corbin McGinty, Michael Stickman, Roman Moore, Tristan Madros, Courtney Saunders, Marion Neglaska, Julie Semaken, Colby Esmailka, Colleen Stickman, Tyler Saunders, Erica Esmailka, Kenneth Esmailka, Ann Brantmeier, Charles P. Stickman II, Lloyd Esmailka, William J. Sims, Shawn Benjamin, Deshaun McGinty, Wesley Alexie, Pat Madros, Bernice Moore, Cindy Reilly Kerry Boyd, and Cheryl Brady.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Chairperson McGinty 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; Fred Alexie, Kaltag CSC; Louisa Paniptchuk; Rudy Edwin, Lina Edwin and Cheryl Brady, Board Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the minutes for December 17, 2010 Regular Board Meeting. **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve the December 17, 2010 Regular Board Meeting. **Gloria Patsy** seconded the motion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Chairperson McGinty opened the floor for anyone wishing to address the School Board. **Fred Alexie** would like payroll checks in the hands of employees in a timely manner. Employees in the Village who do not have direct deposit wait a substantial amount of time before the check is received in their Village from the date of the issued check. Is there a way to get the checks to employees in a more suitable timeframe? Programs of interest are: Vocational Education.; Extra-Curricular; Hot Lunch and grant funded programs such as Alcohol/Drug Awareness Programs etc. **Louisa Paniptchuk** is new to Kaltag and has recently relocated a 2nd and 8th grader from Unalakleet. Ms. Paniptchuk sees a huge shift from the school she left to the school here in Kaltag. Concerns are the number of teachers per student group and there being no homework coming home in the evenings. **Chairperson McGinty** left this section open.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Chairperson McGinty introduced the agenda. **Gloria Patsy** moved to adopt the agenda. **Christina Semaken** seconded the motion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

REPORTS:

1. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Policy Committee Report. **Christina Semaken** reported on the Policy Committee. Policies discussed at the committee meeting are policies that will be introduced for the 1st reading under discussion. The committee looked and discussed the policies in depth before bringing them forward for the 1st reading. **Eleanor Yatlin** reported on the legislative committee meeting. There are three CIP Major Maintenance – they are: Kaltag (#15); Nulato (#18) and Huslia (#50). While in Juneau the Board lobbied for discretionary funds for the restroom upgrade in Huslia, Rotation for Paint and Carpet, and Minto Playground. **Fred Bifelt** discussed possibilities at looking at other list for our projects in the future. **Kerry Boyd** reported on Negotiations with MYEA. The salary schedule is on the agenda for approval today. Negotiations with the Administrators will be the 22nd and 23rd of February. **Dian Gurtler** reported on the Curriculum Committee. Superintendent Boyd explained to the committee the process the parent designed classes go through before they come to the Board for final approval. A survey was sent to students and parents on Career and Technical Education. The committee is looking forward to the feedback that will be received from these surveys. These surveys will help with the progress and direction for YKSD.
2. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Superintendent Report. **Superintendent Boyd** reported on the following items: General Information; Pre-K Program; Technology; Schools and Communities; Negotiations; Maintenance; Student Achievement; Professional Development; Native Language; and Legislation. There was discussion.

IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Chairperson McGinty reopened this section as Nancy Mason from Allakaket School has asked to address the Board. Present on Video Conference were Nancy Mason, Virginia Ned and Camille Varin. **Nancy Mason**, Principal-Teacher for Allakaket School wanted to address the Board regarding a plan for growth for the Allakaket School. Because of the growth in the School the Staff, CSC and Community would like to see an additional teacher added to the staff for Allakaket School. The Board thanked Nancy for her report and concerns and has asked Superintendent Boyd to look into this and to report back to the Board.

3. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the report from Cindy Reilly, CFO. **Cindy Reilly** updated the Board on her written report with the Board. There was discussion. (Attachment A thru A-4)
4. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the written reports from Director's and Coordinator's. **Chairperson McGinty** accepted the reports as written. (Attachment B thru B-18)
5. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Student Representative Report. **Chairperson McGinty** accepted the reports as written.

(Attachment C)

6. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the VPSC Grant Report. **Carl Knudsen** reported on his written report.

(Attachment D thru D-1)

7. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Kaltag Principal/Teacher Report. **Gary Kleven** wanted the Board to know that he and his wife are happy to be in Kaltag. They arrived on January 10th and jumped into many things happening in Kaltag, one of them being Phase Two of the heating project, finished up Ames testing, working on the Site Improvement Plan with Dan Walker and had a PEAK visit this week. Middle School and High School are working on the SBA and HSGQE for testing in April. Class schedules were finalized this week and we will be meeting with parents to finalize the schedules for students.

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Chairperson McGinty reopened this section for Charles Stickman, Kaltag Student. **Charles Stickman** is addressing the Board asking for direction. Since the new Principal/Teacher has arrived open gym in the evenings and week-ends has not been allowed and the students of Kaltag would like to see the gym available as it was something for the students of Kaltag to look forward to. **Chairperson McGinty** asked the students if they had a Student Government and they responded they did not have a student government. **Chairperson McGinty** then suggested they have a member of their student body attend the CSC Meeting and bring this concern up at that meeting for direction.

DISCUSSION:

- 1-16 **Chairperson McGinty** entertained accepting all discussion items as presented for they are non action items. With no objection from the Board the items are taken as presented.
(Attachment E thru E-28)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Resolution 11-05 Support for State Funding for School Meals. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve Resolution 11-05 Support for State Funding for School Meals. **Fred Bifelt** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.
(Attachment F thru F-1)
2. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Resolution 11-06 Approval of Legislative Requests. **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve Resolution 11-06 Approval of Legislative Requests. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.
(Attachment G thru G-1)
3. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced LeFevour/Good Scholarships. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the LeFevour/Good Scholarships. **Fred Bifelt** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** and **Fred Bifelt** withdrew their motion and asked that this item be brought back to the next board meeting.
4. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Waivers for HSGQE Competency Exit Exam. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the two waivers for HSGQE Competency Exit Exam.

Eleanor Yatlin seconded the motion. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question.

VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

(Attachment H thru H-4)

5. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced RCS Parent Designed Classes. **Fred Bifelt** moved to approve RCS Parent Designed Classes. **Gloria Patsy** seconded the motion. **Christina Semaken** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED. (Attachment I)
6. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced FY11 Budget Revisions. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve FY11 Budget Revisions. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Eleanor Yatlin** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Gloria Patsy was out of the room during the vote). (Attachment J)
7. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Purchase Orders over \$40,000. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve Purchase Orders over \$40,000. **Fred Bifelt** seconded the motion. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Gloria Patsy was out of the room during the vote). (Attachment K)
8. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the MYEA 2011-2012 Salary Schedule. **Jeremy Charlie** moved to approve MYEA 2011-2012 Salary Schedule. **Christina Semaken** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Fred Bifelt** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Gloria Patsy was out of the room during the vote). (Attachment L thru L-1)
9. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Personnel Actions. **Dian Gurtler** moved to approve Personnel Actions. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Dian Gurtler** called for the question. VOTE: 5/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Jeremy Charlie and Christina Semaken abstained). (Attachment M thru M-2)

ITEMS INTRODUCED BY BOARD MEMBERS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

Chairperson McGinty asked for items for the next board meeting agenda. Agenda items for March are: Headstart, Vocational Education, Regional Basketball, Budget-District Office, Contingency, Suicide Alcohol Grant, Intern Counselors from UAF, Policy-Bullying.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Gloria Patsy thanked Kaltag for hosting the School Board Meeting. Concerned with children being sent away for school and not staying in their home town and I have been advocating for more information to parents and the effects this move not only has on the district but the family. I am promoting phones in all classrooms so that students are never left unattended.

Fred Bifelt thanked Kaltag for the cover dish. The facilities here at Kaltag are nice. Thank you!

Jeremy Charlie thanked Kaltag for their hospitality with this being the first time he has visited Kaltag. Mr. Charlie would like to see more interaction with the School Board and local CSCs.

Christina Semaken thanked the School Board for visiting Kaltag. I encourage the local CSCs to be more active as this helps us to make better informed decisions. Keeping our

kids here during the school year and especially during the count helps the Board to make better decisions for all students. It is hard when you build with one number and then later in the year when students return you have already made the decisions for the year based on the allocations. More education is needed along with encouragement.

Dian Gurtler thanked Kaltag and making me feel welcome. It was nice to hear the student approach the Board and hopes he receives some results from the advice he was given. That took courage. It was nice to come back after 50 years and great to see you are still here.

Eleanor Yatlin thanked Kaltag for their hospitality and the school board staff. I really liked the Headstart program at Kaltag. I was proud of the young man that addressed the Board. This will help others to go forward and this builds future leaders.

Maurice McGinty thanked the Community of Kaltag for the gathering last night. Thanked Fred and Sophie for the breakfast this morning. I was concerned with the observations of teacher and student interactions and what I was hearing. There should be no free time; there is plenty for each student. I would like to see the CSC informing the administrator to form a Student Government and even if it is a small group this venue will develop leadership.

IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Chairperson McGinty reopened this section for the last time. **Fred Alexie** wanted the School Board to know that he really enjoyed this meeting. Mr. Alexie has been in politics for over 30 years and the issues raised today or very important for local sites. Is there a way local sites can attend the meetings throughout the year by teleconference etc. the next CSC Meeting will be the 7th of February. Thank you on behalf of Kaltag.

Chairperson McGinty let Mr. Alexie know that Video Conference is available for all local sites. They just need to let the Administrator know from their site that they would like to attend the meeting.

DATE AND PLACE OF NEXT BOARD MEETING:

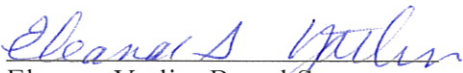
Chairperson McGinty introduced the date and place of the next meeting. A Special School Board Meeting will be February 18, 2011 for teacher contracts. The Regular School Board Meeting is March 17, 2011 in Fairbanks.

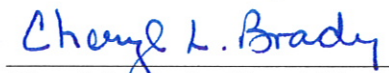
ADJOURNMENT:

Eleanor Yatlin moved to adjourn the meeting. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion.

VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 pm.


Eleanor Yatlin, Board Secretary


Cheryl L. Brady, Board Clerk