

APPROVED MINUTES  
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YUKON-KOYUKUK SCHOOL DISTRICT

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**Chairperson Kruger** called the 276<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting of the Yukon-Koyukuk School District to order at 9:30 a.m. on March 13, 2009 in the Board of Education Room at Yukon-Koyukuk School District Office in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Roll call was as follows:

Shirley Kruger  
Gloria Patsy  
Wilma David (Arrived at 9:34 am)  
Dian Gurtler  
Eddie Bergman  
Maurice McGinty  
Eleanor Yatlin  
Barbie Sam, Student Representative

A quorum was declared present. Also present for all or part of the meeting were Edith Hildebrand, Shawn Coyle, Norm Wooten, Carl Knudsen, Andrea Berg, Patrick Doyle, Cristina Poage, Jeff Frier, Gina Hrinko, David Pratt, Lucienne Smith, Kerry Boyd, and Cheryl Brady.

**INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

**Chairperson Kruger** asked everyone present to introduce themselves to the District School Board. Present were Kerry Boyd, Superintendent; Edith Hildebrand, Director of Human Resource; Norm Wooten, AASB; Carl Knudsen, Grant Administrator; Andrea Berg, Assistant Superintendent; Patrick Doyle, Director of Distance Education; Cristina Poage, Coordinator of Special Education; Jeff Frier, Alaska Education and Business Service Inc.; and Cheryl Brady, Board Clerk;

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the minutes for February 20, 2009 Regular Board Meeting. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the February 20, 2009 Regular Board Meeting minutes. **Maurice McGinty** seconded the motion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION.

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

**Chairperson Kruger** opened the floor for anyone wishing to address the School Board. This section was left open.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

**Chairperson Kruger** introduced the agenda. **Gloria Patsy** moved to adopt the agenda. **Maurice McGinty** seconded the motion. **Superintendent Boyd** added items to New Business-Number Fourteen-Worldwide IDEA Purchase Order; Number Fifteen-Allakaket Well Bid. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

**REPORTS:**

1. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced Board Committee Reports. **Eleanor Yatlin** reported on the Native Language Committee. The Committee discussed the different areas being worked on and future plans. There are a couple of future plans still in the beginning stage which really brings excitement to the Department. A highlight has been the calls received on the success of the program and interests from other districts on starting programs such as the program at YKSD. **Gloria Patsy** reported on the Building Committee. Due to the snow fall there needs to be equipment for personnel at the Schools for snow removal and from this there needs to be a inventory list for tracking equipment purchased for Sites. Hopefully the well for Allakaket will be able to begin work in April. Hughes needs back up heat and electricity for the teacher housing. Jimmy Huntington needs a school expansion. **Kerry Boyd** reported on the Legislative Committee. CIP Plan for next year is already in the works; Legislative Fly In March 30, 31 and April 1 (Requesting monies for generators, Kaltag Completion, Rotation of Carpet and Paint); PCE Hearing March 17<sup>th</sup> HB 150; Toolbox-Pilot Program for State; Impact Aid Emergency Grant funding for generators for the school sites. **Dian Gurtler** reported on the Technology Committee. Local dial up systems will be installed but wiring has to be replaced in Huslia and Minto. GCI has been an ongoing problem and a workable solution is still needed to bring closure to this problem. Site Techs are needed for every site. They are compensated over and above their daily wage as they do work before, after and during their regular work hours.
2. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the Superintendent Report. **Superintendent Boyd** reported on the following items: General Information; School Improvement; Maintenance Site Visit; Contracts and Budget; Policy Committee; Tanana Update; Business Department, 333 Read. Superintendent Boyd commended the students attending Regional's not only their manners on and off of the court but their academic achievements that were awarded in this arena. There was much discussion.
3. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the Alaska Education & Business Services., Inc. Report. **Jeff Frier** highlighted areas in the report submitted by David Thomas. There was discussion.  
(Attachment A thru A-35)
4. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the written reports from Director's and Coordinator. Reports were accepted as written.  
(Attachment B thru B-16)
5. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced a VPSC Report to be given by Carl Knudsen. Mr. Knudsen reported on areas of the grant that needed more detail for perfecting the implementation of the grant.
6. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced the Student Representatives Report. **Barbie Sam** reported on her written report.  
(Attachment C)
7. **Vice-Chairperson Patsy** introduced Norm Wooten, AASB Representative. **Mr. Wooten** introduced himself to the School Board and walked through the three items he would be presenting to the Board. Number one being his role for School Boards and the reason he is here today for districts that are on school improvement. Mr. Wooten was impressed with the website for YKSD and listed additional items for improvement to the web site. Mr. Wooten asked Board Members to give him feedback on the board roles in improving student achievement in YKSD. Board

Members threw out numerous areas that they kept abreast of and areas that are constantly being reviewed, discussed and revised if necessary. Suggestions that were made by Mr. Wooten will be taken into consideration as the Website is being revised and areas of agenda items will be added and discussed. The Board Members thanked Mr. Wooten for his time that he spent with the Board.

11:35 am – Break

11:58 am – Meeting Resumed

#### **DISCUSSION:**

1. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced discussion on Wood Boilers. **David Pratt**, Director of Facilities talked about where the District was with Wood Broilers and what it would take to maintain Wood Broilers in the different Schools. There was discussion. (Attachment D)
2. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced discussion on the Jimmy Huntington School Plan Expansion. **David Pratt**, Director of Facilities discussed different ways of expanding Jimmy Huntington and at this time is not finished with pursuing additional options for this expansion. There was discussion. (Attachment E)
3. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the discussion on the update for the Boarding Home in Nulato. **David Pratt**, Director of Facilities discussed areas of concerns and current and long term plans for this project but at this time it is on hold due to snow and weather. There was discussion. (Attachment F)
4. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced AKEBS Cost/Benefit Analysis. **Lucienne Smith** and **Jeff Frier** answered questions from Board Members on their spreadsheets on Outsourcing Costs for Fiscal Services. (Attachment G thru G-2)
5. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the Public Hearing for the 2009-2010 Budget. **Superintendent Boyd** introduced the 2009-2010 Budget and explained how the budget was realigned with suggestions from Board Members. Sites will no longer start in the red, spending was reflected by looking at historical data and the budget was built on this information. There was discussion. (Attachment H thru H-1)

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the YKSD Alternative Energy Grant Application. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the YKSD Alternative Energy Grant Application. There was discussion. **Eddie Bergman** moved to second the motion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED. (Attachment I thru I-1)
2. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the Safe Schools Healthy Students Grant Application. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the Safe Schools Healthy Students Grant Application. **Maurice McGinty** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED. (Attachment J)
3. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced Improving Literacy through School Libraries Grant Application. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve Improving Literacy through School

Libraries Grant Application. **Wilma David** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

(Attachment K)

4. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced On the Move Grant Application. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve On the Move Grant Application. **Maurice McGinty** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment L)
5. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced Title IID-Enhancing Education through Technology Grant Application Award. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the title IID-Enhancing Education through Technology Grant Application Award. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment M)
6. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced Title IA-Basic Grant Application Award. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve Title IA-Basic Grant Application Award. **Wilma David** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Eleanor Yatlin** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment N)
7. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced Title V-Innovative Programs Grant Applications Award. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to improve Title V-Innovative Programs Grant Applications. **Gloria Patsy** seconded the motion. **Wilma David** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment O)
8. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced Title IC-Migrant Grant Application Award. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the Title IC-Migrant Grant Application Award. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Eleanor Yatlin** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment P)
9. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced Title IIA-Teacher & Principal Training and Recruitment. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve the Title IIA-Teacher & Principal Training and Recruitment. **Maurice McGinty** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Wilma David** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment Q)
10. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the Quality Schools Grant Application Award. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the Quality Schools Grant Application Award. **Maurice McGinty** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment R)
11. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced Budget Change Requests. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the Budget Change Requests. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Wilma David** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.  
(Attachment S thru S-26)
12. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the School Calendar for 2009-2010. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve the 2009-2010 School Calendar. **Gloria Patsy** seconded

the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

(Attachment T)

13. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced Personnel Action. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the Personnel Actions. **Wilma David** seconded the motion. **Superintendent Boyd** added to the Personnel Actions: the resignation of Laura Barnett and the retirement of Helen Huffman and Hollie Koyukuk, There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

(Attachment U)

14. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the World Wide Purchase Order. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the World Wide Purchase Order. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

(Attachment V thru V-5)

15. **Chairperson Kruger** introduced the Allakaket Well Bid. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the Allakaket Well Bid from Ruby Construction. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Eleanor Yatlin** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

**Gloria Patsy** moved to enter into Executive Session on a subject that tends to prejudice the reputation and character of a person. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

1:20 pm – Entered into Executive Session

1:45 pm – Out of Executive Session

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

**Chairperson Kruger** requested items for the next agenda: More detail on Raven Correspondence (where we are and where we are headed). Along with further updates on the Allakaket Well.

**BOARD COMMENTS:**

**Dian Gurtler** thanked the Superintendent and Staff for all the extra work.

**Wilma David** enjoyed the Budget Workshop. Norm Wooten had good recommendations.

**Maurice McGinty** thanked Superintendent Boyd. Mr. McGinty would like to see a list of meetings of interest available to the Board. Would like follow up with GCI and the issues at hand.

**Eleanor Yatlin** thanked the staff and Board Members. Ms. Yatlin would like to see all children from sixth grade on with computers.

**Shirley Kruger** thanked the Board and Administration and is pleased with the direction of the District.

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

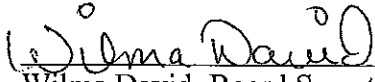
**Chairperson Kruger** introduced the date and place of the next meeting for May 1, 2009 in Minto.

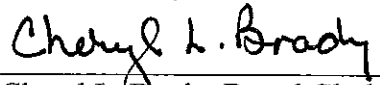
**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Gloria Patsy** moved to adjourn the meeting. **Maurice McGinty** seconded the motion.

VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 2:02 pm

  
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Wilma David, Board Secretary

  
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Cheryl L. Brady, Board Clerk