

YUKON-KOYUKUK SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Chairperson McGinty called the 305th Regular Board Meeting of the Yukon-Koyukuk School District to order at 9:36 a.m. on September 25, 2012 in the Board of Education Room at the Yukon-Koyukuk School District Office located in Fairbanks, Alaska.

Roll call was as follows:

Maurice McGinty
Gloria Patsy
Dian Gurtler
Eleanor Yatlin
Fred Bifelt (arrived at 1:52 pm)
Jeremy Charlie (arrived at 10:06 am)
Christina Semaken

A quorum was declared present. Also present for all or parts of the meeting were Carl Knudsen, Chris Simon, Andrea Berg, Nicholas Graves, Joe Marley, Sandra Main, Carmen Romero, Whitney Adams, Malene Johnson, Danae Davis, Joan Jones, Geoff Johnson, Kathleen VanderZwaag, Terri Thurston, 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; Carl Knudsen; and Cheryl Brady, Board Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the minutes for August 24, 2012 Regular Board Meeting. **Christina Semaken** moved to approve the minutes for August 24, 2012. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. **Eleanor Yatlin** called for the question. VOTE: 5/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Absent-Fred Bifelt and Jeremy Charlie).

IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

Chairperson McGinty opened the floor for anyone wishing to address the School Board. This section remained open.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Chairperson McGinty introduced the agenda. **Gloria Patsy** moved to adopt the agenda. **Dian Gurtler** seconded the motion. **Superintendent Boyd** added under Discussion-#8: I Phone use in the School; #9-Maintenance and under New Business-#8: Vision Statement. **Dian Gurtler** called for the question. VOTE: 5/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Absent-Fred Bifelt and Jeremy Charlie).

REPORTS:

1. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Board Committee Reports. **Dian Gurtler** reported on Native Language. **Susan Paskvan** reviewed the Video-Conference Classes, On-Site Classes (136 students), and there was discussion on the 30 minutes per day for grades K-4. Culture Week took place in Kaltag, Hughes and Koyukuk. There was

further discussion on material development, professional development and travel. Susan Paskvan is being honored during the AFN Conference at the President's award honor luncheon. There was discussion. **Dian Gurtler** reported on the Technology Committee. **Jim Smola** talked about the task of keeping up on the entire YKSD Technology inventory but he has been using mind mapping for this project. Mr. Smola also touched on the smart boards, Bridgit Software and cooperative teaching along with information on the RUS grant. Mr. Smola also demonstrated the VoIP Phone and the qualities of this new phone system. **Christina Semaken** reported on the Policy Committee. Christina Semaken went through policies highlighting different policies as we are on the 2nd reading of policies at this meeting and the October meeting they will be adopted. There was discussion.

2. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Superintendent Report. **Superintendent Boyd** reported on the following items: District-wide In-service Fairbanks, September 25-28, 2012; CSC and REAA School Board Elections; AASB Annual Meeting and Board Meeting in Anchorage; General Information; Native Language; Technology; Business Department; Maintenance and Capital Projects; and Grants. There was discussion.

Jeremy Charlie arrived during the Superintendent Report at 10:06 am.

Eleanor Yatlin moved to suspend the rules. **Christina Semaken** seconded the motion. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Absent-Fred Bifelt).

Jeremy Charlie moved to add #9 to the Agenda under New Business-AASB Nominations. **Christina Semaken** seconded the motion. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 6/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED (Absent-Fred Bifelt).

4. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the written reports from Director's and Coordinator's. Chairperson McGinty accepted the reports as written. (Attachment A thru A-16)
5. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the VPSC Grant Report. **Carl Knudsen** was excited to report to the Board that it was just released that there were 3 grants awarded with various parts of the grant that YKSD had previously held and with these new grants YKSD will be able to continue the focus in the schools in the same way. There was discussion.

DISCUSSION:

1. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the report on the Costa Rica Trip. **Nicholas Graves** introduced himself to the School Board and walked through his PowerPoint showing not only the trip but the lesson plans that the students completed prior to the trip. There were four students who completed the trip, three from Raven Correspondence and 1 student from Huslia.
- 2-7. **Chairperson McGinty** accepted the discussion items 2-7. Superintendent Boyd asked if any of the board members needed more clarification. Christina Semaken gave a detailed report from the Committee Meeting on the policy changes. There were none so the 2nd reading of policies stands as presented. (Attachment B thru B-17)

8. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the discussion on I Phone use in the schools. **Superintendent Boyd** will bring Board Policy to the Policy Committee for review. There was discussion.
9. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced discussion on Maintenance. There was discussion regarding the supervision of Maintenance personnel in conjunction with the School Principal. There was discussion.

12:07 pm – Break

12:52 pm – Resumed Meeting

Fred Bifelt attended the meeting re: Video-Conference from Huslia at 12:52 pm.

REPORTS:

3. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the report from **Cindy Reilly**. **Cindy Reilly** answered questions that the Board had as she is driving and cannot look at the reports that the Board Members have in front of them. There was discussion.
(Attachment C thru C-2)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Resolution 13-06 (Winifred Demoski Retirement). **Jeremy Charlie** moved to approve Resolution 13-06 (Winifred Demoski Retirement). **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.
(Attachment D)
2. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Pre-K Building Blocks Project (BBP) Grant Award. **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to approve the Pre-K Building Blocks Project (BBP) Grant Award. **Jeremy Charlie** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.
(Attachment E)
3. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Early Entrance Admission. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the Early Entrance Admission. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Dian Gurtler** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION.
4. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the TCC use of YKSD Poster. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve the TCC use of YKSD Poster. **Jeremy Charlie** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.
(Attachment F thru F-1)
5. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced FY13 Budget Revisions. **Jeremy Charlie** moved to approve FY13 Budget Revisions. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Dian Gurtler** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.
(Attachment G)
6. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced FY13 Purchase Orders over \$40,000. **Gloria Patsy** moved to approve Purchase Orders over \$40,000. **Eleanor Yatlin** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Gloria Patsy** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.
(Attachment H)

7. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced Personnel Actions. **Jeremy Charlie** moved to approve Personnel Actions. **Christina Semaken** seconded the motion. **Superintendent Boyd** asked to add a year's leave of absence for Christopher Simon. After discussion the Board did not place the year's leave of absence on the personnel actions as the Board chose to deny this request. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.
(Attachment I)
8. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced the Vision Statement (Every learner will attain excellence and learn with passion in a challenging and culturally enriched environment). **Jeremy Charlie** moved to approve the Vision Statement. **Gloria Patsy** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Jeremy Charlie** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.
9. **Chairperson McGinty** introduced AASB Directors Nominations: **Eleanor Yatlin** moved to nominate Maurice McGinty for a Board of Director and Outstanding Board Member of the Year and Yukon-Koyukuk School District Outstanding School Board of the Year. **Jeremy Charlie** seconded the motion. There was discussion. **Eleanor Yatlin** called for the question. VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

ITEMS INTRODUCED BY BOARD MEMBERS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

Chairperson McGinty asked for items for the next board meeting agenda. If an item needs to be added to the agenda call Superintendent Boyd or Board Clerk Cheryl Brady.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Jeremy Charlie thanked the Board.

Fred Bifelt apologized for not being at the meeting but this time of year is a very busy time but was happy to get to the Board Meeting by video-conference.

Dian Gurtler congratulated Gloria on her new baby. Had a nice summer hope everyone else did as well. Looking forward to the conference in Anchorage and visiting with all of the other boards within the State. Wish Maurice luck on his trip into the unknown down there on his nomination as a Director of AASB.

Eleanor Yatlin is really thankful that we received the grant that Carl worked on for the District.

Christina Semaken really appreciates the revisiting of Roberts Rules. Remind the Board regarding the June Nelson Scholarship for the AASB Conference.

Maurice McGinty reminded the board as well regarding the June Nelson Scholarship donations. A reminder regarding the homework for our students, if you sit on the CSC to discuss this issue at that level. Thanks to Carl and his staff for working on the grant and being successful.

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 31st of October in Anchorage prior to the AASB Conference.


ADJOURNMENT:

Gloria Patsy moved to adjourn the meeting. **Christina Semaken** seconded the motion.

VOTE: 7/0 YEA, MOTION PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 pm.


Eleanor Yatlin, Board Secretary


Cheryl L. Brady, Board Clerk