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**367th Regular Board Meeting (Thursday, October 22, 2020)
Fairbanks, Alaska Virtual Meeting**

1. PRELIMINARIES

1.1 Call to order- Chairman McGinty

- 10:06am, Thursday, October 22, 2020

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance - Kerry Boyd

1.3 Roll Call- Secretary Kruger

Maurice McGinty, Chairperson, Present

Fred Bifelt, Vice -Chairperson, - Present

Gloria Patsy, Treasurer, Present

Shirley Kruger, Secretary, Present

Wilmer Beetus, Member, Present

Ruth Folger, Member, Present

Dian Gurtler, Member, Present

Anne Titus, Member Present

1.4 Introduction of Guests

Kerry Boyd, Superintendent

Patty White, Assistant Superintendent

Heather Heinekin, CFO

Gina Hrinko, Director of State and Federal Programs

Christina Welker, Director of Special Education

Chane Beam, Director of Operations

Gale Bourne, Director on Maintenance

Kim Bugey, Director of Raven

Kristi Burns, Grants Coordinator

Bev Kokrine, Guest

Sara Henderson, Board Secretary

1.5 Board Goals and Mission Statement

- Help students become contributing members of community and society
- Start Strong PreK-3
- Read by 3rd grade (proficient)
- Graduating college and career ready
- Goals will be revisited at Retreat in September

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (ACTION)

2.1 Approval of agenda

Moved 8-0

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA (ACTION)

3.1** Minutes of Special Board meeting Sep 03, 2020 to be approved

3.2 ** Personal Action

3.3 ** FY20-21 Purchase order greater than \$40,000

3.4 ** FY21 Budget Revision

Moved 8-0

4. COMMUNITY COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS- None

5. ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

5.1 Oath of Office

- Newest Board member- Anne Titus
- Returning- Fred Bifelt
- Returning- Dian Gurtler

5.2 Election of officers

- Board Chair- Fred Bifelt
- Vic Chair- Shirley Kruger
- Secretary- Ruth Folger
- Treasurer- Gloria Patsy

Nominations are closed

5.3 Committee Appointments

- Board member will fill out form and it will be discussed next meeting
- Fred Bifelt would like to see at least 3 members on the legislative committee.

6. REPORTS

6.1 Superintendent Report-Kerry Boyd

- Allakaket renovations are moving along to meet target completion dates.very well
- Decisions to open and close are medically driven with the help of TCC doctors
- Headstarts have decided to remain at home for now.
- Funding is set aside for internet in every village to provide an equitable education.
- Connectivity is something YKSD is still working on
- To uplift everyone the District is doing monthly student and staff celebrations
- Vacancies in Hughes (Maintenance, SPED aid, and PreK Teacher), Nuklato(Maintenance, Custodian, Bus driver, and two teacher aids), and Ruby(Cook).
- District has made and exceeded projections this year
- Raven homeschool count has almost tripled
- Nulato duplex is on schedule for building in the spring
- Waiting to see if grant will be funded for duplex in Koyukuk
- Allakaket School is still scheduled to be completed on time
- \$25,000 was donated to Nulato, Kaltag and Koyukuk
- Upcoming activities: virtual Halloween parade and annual Fun Run
- Board retreat December 1st and 2nd to be rescheduled in the spring or later
- Working at a team to try to get funding for Special Education homeschool students
- Meet with team to discuss opening gym

6.2 Chief of Financial Officer's Report- Heather Heineken

- This years audit was clean
- Food service grants have been received
- Milk cooler for Kaltag and electric range for Rampart
- \$15,000 to send fresh fruits and vegetables to our sites
- Expenditure report- 20% budget used so we're on target

- Budget revision for enrolled increase and technology

BDO- discussion of audit (motion approved 8-0)

- Audit completed and no issues noted
- Also done with government and state audit standards
- No corrected or uncorrected misstatements
- FY 20 Fiscal Audit Approved unanimously

7. INFORMATION

7.1 Community Communications

7.2 Student Achievement

- Information will be shared with parents on student performance and proficiency level
- Student government is starting again
- Leadership program for senior students
- Sending out Literacy kits to all families in the district
- Providing professional development for all staff
- AK Literacy grant is being used to help find the challenge areas and help out K-3 students.

8. DISCUSSION

8.1 Transition Services for Secondary Students-ACELL Alaska

- Independent Living Program-Advocating for Alaska senior
- Servicing all disability types
- Helping them do everyday life things (depending on their wants)
- 7 peer support groups
- Rehabilitation services from 16-21
- Individual services and referral can be done
- Work with people 18 and older with individual employment plans
- Students can be referred by teachers, health aid, tribal workers, or self-referral
- Offer on the job training

8.2 DRS Presentation- Michael and Vicky

- Microwave network to communities
- Ready to launch as soon as equipment arrives(Early November)
- Working on getting people into the village of Allakaket to complete insulation
- Working through communities in a priority order
- Different connectivity plans offered
- Survey will be made

8.3 John Bitney, Legislative Update

- Governor isn't planning on extending a health declaration
- Communities are able to make emergency declarations
- 100% funding was put in school debt reimbursement
- Focusing on what happens in the elections to see how we move forward

9. OLD NEWS~ NONE

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION- Attorney John Sedor

Motion Approved at 1:22 pm 8-0

11. NEW BUSINESS(ACTION)- Motion Approved 8-0

11.1 An Elder II Grant

- Build onto projects of last grant
- Build capacity and to teach native language workbooks
- Some of the work on paper will be moved to video
- Service provided K-12

Approved 8-0

11.2 YKSD Interior Choices Project in Partnership with EXCEL Alaska

- Build onto CTE program and bring it to Fairbanks for regional activities
- Service grades 7-12th
- Intensive CTE programs through Fairbanks

Approved 8-0

11.3 Project ESTEEM

- Emotional Skills Training for Educational Excellence and Motivation
- Goal is to improve student and parent satisfaction with students education
- Motivating Alaska at risk students
- Opportunity for students to take courses they need or are interested in

Approved 8-0

11.4 ACES Project (Raven & River)

- Goal: Provide expanded course options and activities
- Services K-12
- Provides the opportunity for students to take courses they need or are interested in

Approved 8-0

11.5 RUS Grant

- Fund the installation of new video conferencing equipment

Approved 8-0

11.6 YKSD Audit FY2

Approved 8-0

11.7 FY21 Calendar Revision

- Staffs holiday break is over January 4th
- January 4th- 8th inservice
- Quarantine time (2 weeks in Fairbanks and 2 in the village) will push school back until February 1st, working towards a shorter quarantine district-wide of two weeks in the villages
- Suggestion: Get in contact with each villages tribal councils to ask to consider shortening quarantining time in Fairbanks
- Will discuss again December 3rd meeting

11.8 Board President Maurice McGinty Retirement

- Resolution given by Kerry Boyd, Superintendent
- Each Board member expressed their goodbyes

12. CLOSING ITEMS

12.1 Future Agenda Items

12.2 Community Comment on Non-Agenda Items-None

12.3 Board Closing Item

- Congratulations to all new board positions
- Thanks to the Grants team for working to bring in all these new grants
- Working on a plan so our students are getting the education they need during these circumstances
- Excited to see how the schools will be using the money from the grants that have been awarded

13. ADJOURNMENT - 2:16pm

Next Board Meeting: December 3rd, 2020

Approved 8-0