

**Aleutians East Borough School District  
 Regular Meeting of the School Board  
 Friday, June 1, 2007 – 7 p.m.  
 The Board attended a workshop at 2:30 p.m.  
 Meeting held by Audio Conference at Each Site**

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Vice-Chair, Shirley Brown.

Call to Order

Shelley Yatchmeneff	Excused	King Cove
Shirley Brown	Present	Sand Point
Demetri Tcheripanoff	Present	Akutan
Hillary Smith	Present	Sand Point
Allen Hill	Present	Sand Point
Jacki Bendixen	Present	King Cove
Sherry Chesley	Excused	Nelson Lagoon
Dawn Lyons	Present	Cold Bay
Nicole Hoblet	Excused	False Pass

Roll Call &  
 Establishment of  
 a Quorum,  
 Introductions

Others in attendance at Sand Point: Tina Anderson, Borough Clerk, Randall Swenson, Superintendent, Carl Warner, Business Manager and Sophie Mack, Executive Secretary.

Others in  
 Attendance

Bruce Lee dialed in from Hawaii.

Hillary move to approve the agenda adding Nelson Lagoon Vehicle under Old Business D. Dawn second. Roll Call: Dawn-yes, Jacki-yes, Allen-yes, Hillary-yes, Demetri-yes, Shirley-yes. Motion carries.

Approval of  
 Agenda

Hillary move to approve the minutes of May 14, 2007 and March 6, 2007, as presented. Demetri second. Roll Call: Shirley-yes, Demetri-yes, Hillary-yes, Allen-yes, Jacki-yes, Dawn-yes. Motion carries.

Approval of  
 Minutes

Superintendent, Randall Swenson went over the following correspondence items with the Board:

District  
 Correspondence

A letter from the community of Nelson Lagoon addressed to the Borough and School District. Randy reported that in response to the letter he has discussed the issues with Mayor Stanley Mack and the Borough is going to address each item over the summer.

A letter from the Department of Education, Child Nutrition Services stating that the District is now in compliance with the guidelines.

Report from Ernest McKay on the APICDA trip showing photographs.

Business Manager Carl Warner presented the following Treasurer's Report to the Board:

Treasurer's  
Report

The activities budget shows a \$14,594 deficit, which includes several outstanding invoices. Basketball is over budget by \$39,234, although part of this is offset by surpluses for cross-country and other.

The Sand Point pool only collected \$1,944 so far, compared to \$6,475 last year. The pool was shut down for several weeks for plumbing work, and it appears that participation was down throughout most of the year, possibly due to scheduling. Further analysis will be done later if possible. The expenditures are currently under budget, although the pool operation will continue through June.

For food service, Sand Point is over budget in wages, although this was anticipated because of a miscalculation at the beginning of the year. Local revenue is significantly less than expected at \$14,273 so far, so this will also need to be examined at year end. State reimbursement of \$23,927 are through January, so we should come close to the \$48,000 budget for the year.

Cold Bay teacher housing expenditures are \$60,773 because of the plumbing work, other renovations, and temporary rental while the work was being completed. The revenue and other school accounts are on target.

Sand Point costs for plumbing, boiler work, and lighting totals \$73,730, which the Borough has agreed to reimburse.

Carl also requested that the Board approve a purchase of a professional dishwasher for the Sand Point School. He explained that the cost is estimated at \$8,700 + shipping. He said that the purchase would save on labor and payroll and also improve the sanitation at the Sand Point School kitchen. He said that there is money left for this in the budget and if approved he would wait to purchase until all year-end classroom supplies were ordered.

Hillary move to approve the purchase of a dishwasher for Sand Point provided that there is money left after all the classroom purchases have been made. Dawn second. Roll Call: Shirley-yes, Demetri-yes, Hillary-yes, Jacki-yes, Allen-yes, Dawn-yes. Motion carries.

Carl also presented the FY07 Budget Revisions and explained the following notable changes:

King Cove heating fuel was increased from \$45,000 to \$100,000 because we're currently paying to heat both the old and new schools,

and the new school is apparently consuming substantially more, as indicated by the project manager and April-May deliveries. We'll continue to monitor and evaluate the situation. Cold Bay is also consuming more energy this year, so the energy budgets were increased by \$15,000.

King Cove teacher salaries were reduced by \$30,000 because of the partial year vacancies. Related fringe benefits save about \$9,000. Instructional aide budgets were reduced by a total of \$24,000 at Akutan, Cold Bay, King Cove and Nelson Lagoon because of additional NCLB grant funding.

Sand Point custodial substitutes was increased \$10,000 for the additional help this year.

As mentioned in previous Board reports, student instructional travel exceeds the budget, so it was increased from \$30,000 to \$40,000. Since student activity travel was over expended, it was increased by \$10,000.

\$20,000 was transferred from special education travel because of grant funding.

Legal services required an estimated \$12,000 increase for the teacher and classified employee negotiations.

The General Fund transfer to teacher housing was increased by \$20,000 for the additional costs at Cold Bay as addressed in the previous section.

The Sand Point pool transfer was increased to \$45,000.

Hillary move to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Jacki second. Roll Call: Dawn-yes, Allen-yes, Jacki-yes, Hillary-yes, Demetri-yes, Shirley-yes. Motion carries.

Superintendent, Randall Swenson reported:

The Borough mayor has requested a joint session with the Borough Assembly and School Board in Anchorage to provide Board training, so that has been built into the budget.

I was successful in purchasing a vehicle for Cold Bay, but I am still working on getting a vehicle for Nelson Lagoon.

I attended all of the graduation ceremonies in the district which included trips to Cold Bay, Nelson Lagoon and King Cove. I also attended the Sand Point graduation. I was very pleased with the effort that went into each ceremony, it is a very proud moment for the school district.

I have been talking with Dr. Phil Knight, the new superintendent at least once a week. This has been working out well and he will be here on June 29<sup>th</sup> on the evening flight.

We have signed the last teacher this morning and we are now fully

Treasurer's  
Report (cont.)

Consent Agenda  
Superintendent's  
Report

staffed district-wide and I am very pleased with the staff that we have. I would like to thank the Board for the opportunity to come here and work, this is my last Board meeting. The job has been both challenging and rewarding and I am glad I came up. The district is in a lot better shape now and Phil is in a good position to take the district forward.

Superintendent's Report (Cont.)

Hillary moved to move to go into executive session to discuss teacher negotiations. Jacki second. The Board moved into executive session at 7:30 p.m.

Executive Session

Hillary move to come out of executive session. Allen second. The Board came out of executive session at 8:04 p.m. and reported that no action had been taken.

False Pass School

Randy reported that the Borough has included funding for the False Pass School in their budget if they do not meet the required enrollment of 10 students. Randy said that Ernest is optimistic that they will have 10 or more students. Randy said that in either case, the school will remain open.

FY08 Budget – Final Draft

Business Manager Carl Warner went over the third and final draft of the FY08 Budget Proposal with the Board. Allen asked if there is money in the budget for Advisory School Committee member training. Carl stated that there is. Hillary move to approve the Final Draft of the FY08 Budget. Jacki second. Roll call: Shirley-yes, Demetri-yes, Hillary-yes, Jacki-yes, Allen-yes, Dawn-yes. Motion carries.

Nelson Lagoon Vehicle

Randy explained that he would like additional spending authority for the Nelson Lagoon vehicle purchase. It seems that there are no used Toyota Tacoma Crew Cab's on the market. Randy explained that initially the Board approved \$30,000 for the vehicle purchase, but if we need to purchase a new one, the cost is going to be slightly over the initial spending authority. Hillary move to approve the increased spending authority request, allowing the vehicle purchase for Nelson Lagoon not to exceed \$34,000. Dawn second. Roll call: Dawn-yes, Allen-yes, Jacki-yes, Hillary-yes, Demetri-yes, Shirley-yes. Motion carries.

Randy presented the proposed False Pass Calendar for the 2007-2008 School year. He stated that the calendar meets the State's guidelines and the False Pass ASC has already approved it. Hillary move to approve the proposed 2007-2008 False Pass Calendar proposal. Demetri second. Roll Call: Shirley-yes, Demetri-yes, Hillary-yes,

False Pass Calendar

Jacki-yes, Allen-yes, Dawn-yes. Motion carries.

Tina Anderson, Borough Clerk, attended the meeting on behalf of the Borough to explain board reapportionment to the School Board. Tina explained that the community of Akutan petitioned the Borough claiming the Borough Assembly was malapportioned. The Borough considered the petition and disagreed with Akutan. Akutan then petitioned the State and the State agreed with them forcing the Borough to put it out to the voters. The voters had 2 choices, one was at-large and the other was forming 2 districts. The voters chose at large. For the Assembly and School Board there will be seats labeled A-G, all will be voted at large. All seats will expire this year and be on the ballot in October. If anyone is interested in running they will need fill out a declaration of candidacy between August 20-August 31. Tina explained that seat terms will be drawn after the election. Discussion was held regarding advisory seats. Tina suggested looking up the policy in the School District manual regarding advisory seats and update it if desired. She announced that the regular election this year is October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Reapportionment

Hillary explained that Shelley would like to see if anyone is interested in taking over the responsibilities of athletic director for the 2008-2009 school year. If so, she would like Bruce Lee, the current athletic director to work with that person this year to train them. Bruce stated that he is more than happy to do so. The Board also discussed sending the trainee along with Bruce Lee to the AASA annual meetings. Hillary move to approve Bruce Lee training someone during the 2007-2008 school year to take over the position of athletic director for the 2008-2009 school year. Jacki second. Roll call: Shirley-yes, Demetri-yes, Hillary-yes, Jacki-yes, Allen-yes, Dawn-yes. Motion carries.

Athletic Director

Randy presented the CIP priority list to the board. He stated that in coming up with this list he worked with Maintenance Director, Jim Brown, Stanley Mack, Borough Mayor, and Bob Juettner, Borough Administrator. Discussion was held regarding the actual costs of the Sand Point Gym Floor Replacement. Hillary move to approve the proposed CIP Priority List as presented by Randy. Jacki second. Roll call: Dawn-yes, Allen-yes, Jacki-yes, Hillary-yes, Demetri-yes, Shirley-yes. Motion carries.

CIP Priority List

Dawn move to approve the following resignations:

Resignations

April Harding, King Cove Teacher's Aide  
Marie Gould, King Cove Special Education Aide

Allen second. Roll Call: Shirley-yes, Demetri-yes, Hillary-yes, Jacki-yes, Allen-yes, Dawn-yes. Motion carries.

Allen move to approve the following new hires:

Heather Gurnsey, Sand Point English  
Martin Keller, King Cove Business Ed/Technology  
Pamela Lichty, King Cove English  
Melinda Breske, Sand Point Elementary

Dawn second. Roll call: Dawn-yes, Allen-yes, Jacki-yes, Hillary-yes, Demetri-yes, Shirley-yes. Motion carries.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for August 28<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in King Cove. The Board also requested an afternoon workshop to take place on the same day.

Hillary move to adjourn. Jacki second. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sophie Mack  
Executive Secretary

New Hires

Date, Time &  
Location of Next  
Meeting

Adjournment

