

#### Regular Meeting **AGENDA**

#### **ALASKA GATEWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**REGIONAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING** District Board Room - Tok. Alaska

Monday, November 14th, 2016, 5:00 PM **WORK SESSION - FY16 ANNUAL FISCAL AUDIT REVIEW** 

#### Monday, November 14th, 2016, 6:00 PM

**CALL TO ORDER at 6pm President ROLL CALL** Secretary-Treasurer **OATH OF OFFICE Secretary-Treasurer** ROLL CALL **Secretary-Treasurer ELECTION OF OFFICERS President** PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE **President HEARING OF VISITORS ON AGENDA ITEMS<sup>1</sup> President RECEIVING OF DELEGATIONS President PRESENTATIONS Tok School Culinary Arts Class Presentation Students ACTION ITEMS - ROUTINE MATTERS** 

1. Approval of Agenda **President** 2. Approval of Minutes **President ACTION ITEMS - OLD BUSINESS President** 

3. Comprehensive Board Policy Review

#### **ACTION ITEMS - NEW BUSINESS**

- 4. Approval of FY16 Annual Fiscal Audit
- 5. Certification of Advisory School Board Election
- 6. BP 5127 Graduation Ceremony policy revision First Reading
- 7. AR 8120(b) Elections regulation revision First Reading
- 8. Approvals of staffing and curriculum per HB156

#### REPORTS/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Superintendent's Report Superintendent Financial Report **Chief Financial Officer** 

**President** 

**President** 

Maintenance Directors' Report and Update **Directors** 

Correspondence/Miscellaneous Superintendent

**HEARING OF VISITORS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS<sup>1</sup>** 

DISCUSSION, COMMENTS, QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD **President** 

Strategic Plan, Superintendents Evaluation, Future meeting

schedules, Initial CIP List

**FUTURE MEETING DATES President** 

SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS **President** 

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-- Matters Required to be Confidential by Law** President

**ADJOURNMENT** President

<sup>1</sup>All members of the public that would like to comment on any matters during Hearing of Visitors on Agenda Items or Hearing of Visitors on Non-Agenda Items need to sign-in with the Board Secretary before the meeting starts. The Board President will call on each member of the public in the order he or she signed-in as the meeting progresses to that section of the agenda.

#### Regional School Board Meeting October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Tok, Alaska 99780

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

Roll Call: Lisa Conrad, Jill Kranenburg, Jeff Deeter, Peter Talus and Shauna Lee. Lorraine Titus and Steve Robbins were present via teleconference. Also present was

Mike Cronk, teacher representative.

Pledge of Allegiance

Hearing of Visitors on Agenda Items

Presentations

Greenhouse Agriculture Class Presentation – Tok greenhouse agriculture students gave a presentation on the greenhouse and products.

Loretta Fitting gave a presentation on Food Service.

#### 1. Approval of Agenda.

Peter Talus moved to approve the agenda as presented.

Seconded by Jeff Deeter.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Lorraine Titus, Shauna Lee, Jill Kranenburg, Steve Robbins, Peter Talus and Jeff Deeter. Motion Carried Unanimously.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes.

Jeff Deeter moved to approve the minutes as presented.

Seconded by Jill Kranenburg.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Lorraine Titus, Shauna Lee, Jill Kranenburg, Steve Robbins, Peter Talus and Jeff Deeter. Motion Carried Unanimously.

#### 3. AASB Policy Review.

Tabled until next meeting.

#### 4. Acceptance of FY17 Competitive Grants.

Peter Talus moved to accept the FY17 Competitive Grants.

Seconded by Jeff Deeter.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Lorraine Titus, Shauna Lee, Jill Kranenburg, Steve Robbins, Peter Talus and Jeff Deeter. Motion Carried Unanimously.

#### 5. RSB Teacher Advisors.

No motion.

#### 6. Board Policy Review.

Contact AASB to see if they available November 14th and 15th, 2016.

#### 7. Personnel Actions.

Jeff Deeter moved to approve the personnel actions as presented. Seconded by Peter Talus.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Lorraine Titus, Shauna Lee, Jill Kranenburg, Steve Robbins, Peter Talus and Jeff Deeter. Motion Carried Unanimously.

#### 8. Membership in the Coalition for Education Equity.

Peter Talus moved to approve the membership in the Coalition of Education Equity.

Seconded by Jeff Deeter.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Lorraine Titus, Shauna Lee, Jill Kranenburg, Steve Robbins, Peter Talus and Jeff Deeter. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Sub-Committee Report – Maintenance Financial Report

Directors' Reports

Discussion, Comments, Questions by Members of the Board: Jeff Deeter will be attending the AASB Conference November 10<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in Anchorage.

Hearing of Visitors on Non-Agenda Items

Future Meeting Date: November 14<sup>th</sup> – Work session at 5 PM, Meeting at 6 PM Suggested Agenda Items: Student Count

Jeff Deeter moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. Seconded by Jill Kranenburg. Roll Call vote: Yes – Lorraine Titus, Shauna Lee, Jill Kranenburg, Steve Robbins, Peter Talus and Jeff Deeter. Motion Carried Unanimously.

| I hereby submit that these minutes have been approved by the District Board of         |
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| Education sitting in regular session as the official minutes of the October 17th, 2016 |
| meeting.   |

| Secretary/Treasurer |  |
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**Regional School Board** 

**Alaska Gateway School District** 

Date: October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016

From:

**Superintendent's Office** 

Agenda Item: 3

#### ISSUE: Comprehensive Board Policy Review

#### **BACKGROUND:**

- We have been discussing the need to re-work and update the district's policy manual.
   Policy and legal references and cross-references need to be reviewed and updated.
- The Superintendent was asked at the last meeting to check in again with AASB on how their review and hosting service works. AASB has a service whereby they will create a custom review process designed specifically for our district, which is outlined in the attachment. There is a cost for this service that is based on a sliding scale, and for AGSD with our ADM, the cost is \$7500 plus travel to bring Bob Whicker from AASB to facilitate this review process with 10 to 15 members of staff and Board members working in teams. This process includes total access to the generic manual, which we would then update
- The online service they provide is a searchable database, not dissimilar from what we already have.
- AASB also has a Online service where they will host the district's Policy Manual online. This is that has an initial cost of \$2500, and an annual cost thereafter of \$2250, that has full on-line search capacity.
- AASB also provides an update subscription for \$1,100 a year.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:**

The Administration recommends that we look at working on our Policy in the Spring, and that once our policy is updated, we purchase a subscription to the annual updates.

#### **Custom Policy Manual Review Process**

#### **Participants**

In addition to the superintendent and board members, it's helpful to include staff with a variety of backgrounds to assist in the project. It provides a lot of depth to the discussion for both board and staff to be able to go over particular issues in this kind of setting and really get a better understanding of public and professional perspectives. Staff participation in the **full** workshop could include the business manager, principal(s), and the person who will be responsible for maintaining the manual. In addition, those involved with personnel, curriculum, facilities, athletics, and other aspects of the school system should be on hand to help review specific chapters. A community member, long term teacher and classified employee are also great additions to the review group. A total of 10-12 people should be involved in the review team.

#### Logistics:

We will need one copy of the current policy manual, student handbook, staff handbook and negotiated agreement to use as references during the workshop.

A digital copy of your current handbook will expedite the process greatly.

Please prepare a room with tables and comfortable chairs sufficient to accommodate all participants and an additional table for me to use throughout the workshop. We will break the larger group into up to 4 groups to work on individual chapters of the entire manual. Each group will need an LCD projector, screen and laptop so that we can either accept, reject or make changes on the digital copy of the manual as they are reviewed.

We will also need an assortment of drinks and snacks to keep people comfortable and motivated.

#### Schedule and Process:

Our experience has shown we will probably not need the full two days especially if we can have a few hours scheduled for the first evening, but I would appreciate scheduling the full time when recruiting participants. People should be prepared to work long days and <a href="https://people.com/have/lunch/broughtin">have lunch brought in</a>. I suggest we plan to go from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day.

I'll start with a short presentation on the importance of policy, the contents of the reference manual and how to approach the review and editing during the workshop.

We'll divide into small work groups of three or four people so we can have up to four groups working on different chapters simultaneously. Each group will have one editor who is familiar with track changes in Microsoft Word who will be responsible for making changes to the reference manual examples. These groups will make those changes based on their understanding of current district practice and policy. It is important that the editors are familiar with district procedure. Subsequent readings by the board will provide sufficient public input prior to final adoption. This isn't the time to **make** policy, but to ensure that what the district is currently doing is reflected in the policy being drafted.

Our intention is to have every policy addressed before I leave. However, if there are a select few that do require additional work or research, you can assign those to appropriate staff or committees for further work after the workshop. I

I'll spend some additional time with whoever physically maintains the policy manual to discuss how to keep the manual current and use the future updates from AASB.

#### **Post Workshop**

We will produce a clean draft of the policy manual, reflecting all revisions determined in the workshop, to begin the public reading process. A copy of the clean draft policy will also be provided on computer disk, which will be managed by district staff to record revisions made during the public reading process that result in the final adopted manual. Those changes will be forwarded to the Association and included in the final manual.

| То:           | Regional School Board<br>Alaska Gateway School District  | Date: November 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2016 |
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| From:         | Superintendent's Office  | Agenda Item: 4                         |
| ISSUE: Approv | ve the FY16 Fiscal Audit   |  |
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| o Each mem    | ber of the Board has received a copy of the F<br>participated in a work session led by our aud |  |
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| l .           | FIVE RECOMMENDATION:<br>ve the FY16 Alaska Gateway Audit as preser                             | nted                                   |

**Regional School Board** 

**Alaska Gateway School District** 

Date: November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

From:

**Superintendent's Office** 

Agenda Item: 5

**ISSUE: Certification of Tok School ASB Elections** 

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The results of the ASB election will be handed out at the meeting.

#### ASB elections are handled per BP 8120 and AR 8120

Communities within the district who use the standard election procedure shall be responsible for conducting the voting phase of Advisory School Board elections for their respective attendance areas. The election committee of each community shall certify and forward the election results to the Board.

Legal Reference: ALASKA STATUTES 14.08.115 Advisory school boards in REAA

14.12.035 Advisory school boards in borough school districts

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:
Certify the Tok School ASB Election

**Regional School Board** 

**Alaska Gateway School District** 

Date: November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

From:

**Superintendent's Office** 

Agenda Item: 6

ISSUE: BP5127 Graduation Ceremony Policy Revision

#### **BACKGROUND:**

There have been multiple instances where students have participated in a district graduation ceremony essentially on the promise that they would complete work, that they then did not complete. Graduation is a life milestone celebration of genuine achievement for students and their families who have completed all their requirements, and this policy revision supports those students and families who have made the effort and sacrifice to do that.

#### **Graduation Ceremony Participation**

**BP 5127** 

High school graduation ceremonies shall be held to recognize the achievement of those students who have successfully completed the district graduation requirements. Students who have not completed all requirements to graduate prior to the ceremony are not eligible to participate in the graduation ceremony. and those students who have earned the right to receive a diploma.

Graduation exercises will be held at the end of the twelfth grade (optional at end of K and 8th grade). Students who have met the district graduation requirements but have not passed the state required competency examination may participate in graduation exercises without receiving a diploma.

Exceptions to this policy may be made in special cases by the Superintendent based on the recommendation of the respective site administrator.

In accordance with school-site rules, the site administrator may deny a student the privilege of participating in graduation or promotion activities because of misconduct.

Legal Reference: ALASKA STATUES

14.03.075 College and career readiness assessment

14.03.90 Sectarian or denominational doctrines prohibited

Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 20 U.S.C. § 9524. as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, P.L. 107-100Santa Fe Indep. School District v. Doe, 530 U.S. 290 (2000)Lee v. Weisman, Op. No. 90-1014, U.S. Supreme Court (1992)

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve first reading of Revised BP5127

**Regional School Board** 

**Alaska Gateway School District** 

Date: November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

From:

Superintendent's Office

Agenda Item: 7

ISSUE: AR8120(b) Elections regulation revision - First Reading

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The difference between stated polling times and places in policy are different from those of the general election, which can cause confusion. The revision indicated below should rectify that.

Elections AR 8120(b)

#### **Polling Time and Places**

Time and Place. All Advisory School Board elections will be held the first Tuesday in November. The polls will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and will be in the same polling place as the general elections. The polls will be open at school from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., unless it is a general election year, during which the polling times and places will match those of the general election.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

Approve first reading of Revised AR 8120(b)

To: Regional School Board Date: November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Alaska Gateway School District** 

From: Superintendent's Office Agenda Item: 8

ISSUE: HB156 Human reproductive education and human sexuality education

#### **BACKGROUND:**

HB156 was passed during the last session, and provides specific requirements for districts and boards to comply with the issue of sex education, human reproductive education, and human sexuality education in public schools. This is not a departure from what school boards are responsible for in terms of curriculum and instructional materials review and approval in other content areas. Simply put, the specific elements of this section that boards must consider and act upon include:

- A person teaching a class or presenting materials on sex education, human reproductive education or human sexuality education must either be a currently certificated teacher employed under a contract by the school district or be supervised by one.
- Before the curriculum, literature or materials are presented to students, they must be approved by the school board and be available for parental review.
- The school board must approve the individual person(s) presenting such materials.
- The person's credentials must be available for parental review
- The district must notify parents not less than two (2) weeks prior to the teaching and
  presentation of sex education, human reproductive education and human sexuality education
  and provide for the objection to and withdrawal of a student from such activities, classes or
  program.

District approved curriculum materials have already been approved, but are available for your review as follows:

- Prentice Hall Science Explorer, Life Science
- Glencoe Biology, The Dynamics of Life

The following certified teachers in Alaska Gateway School District teach units of study from these materials that address human reproduction:

- Janine Holmes, Tok
- Jolene Kinsland, Tok
- Cathy Pusch, Northway
- Robert Litwack, Tetlin
- Liz Fabian, Mentasta
- Dawn Buffum, Tanacross
- Julie Selves, Dot Lake
- Marlys House, Eagle
- Scott Holmes, REACH

#### ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Approve the curricular materials and certified teachers identified, in accordance with HB156

## HB156: Information and Answers for School Boards and Staff regarding sex education, human reproductive education and human sexuality education.

The intent of this communication is to begin to provide information regarding the aspects of HB156, which deal with sex education and sexual matters on the Alaska education system. It is a joint effort between Association of Alaska School Boards (AASB) and Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) staff to address this particular portion of HB156 that school boards, administrators and staff must be aware.

Along with providing information we will be posting answers to questions we receive; hopefully they will be similar to questions you may have. We encourage you to send us questions that may not have been covered and we will attempt to find answers and post them.

## Sex education, human reproductive education and human sexuality education (AS 14.30.361)

This section of HB156 provides specific requirements for districts and boards to comply with the issue of sex education, human reproductive education, and human sexuality education in public schools. This is *not* a departure from what school boards are responsible for in terms of curriculum and instructional materials review and approval in other content areas. Simply put, the specific elements of this section that boards must consider and act upon include:

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- The school board must approve the individual person(s) presenting such materials.
- The person's credentials must be available for parental review
- The district must notify parents not less than two (2) weeks prior to the teaching and presentation of sex education, human reproductive education and human sexuality education and provide for the objection to and withdrawal of a student from such activities, classes or program.

\* After June 30, 2017, these requirements do not apply to sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness and prevention training required under AS 14.30.355, and dating violence and abuse awareness and prevention training required under AS 14.30.356

Therefore, the board must develop or amend policies and/or procedures (administrative regulations) that specifically address the process of approvals required to meet the tenets of the law in these subject areas. The law does not prescribe that process thus it is up to each local school board to determine what will work best for their district, students and parents.

#### Questions about HB 156 and sex education:

#### What is the effective date?

Effective\_date of the law is October 26, 2016.

What resources already exist that may help districts make informed, systematic, and timely approval processes?

AASB can offer general guidance on the policy development and process questions. AASB will plan to provide some example protocols that various boards and superintendents have developed to come into compliance with this portion of HB156.

What resources or guidance are available to determine that sex education, human reproductive education and human sexuality education is medically accurate, culturally appropriate, and evidence based or evidence informed education?

#### Some resources include:

Health Education Curriculum Analysis Tool, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/HECAT/">https://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/HECAT/</a>

Sexual Risk Behavior Guidelines and Resources, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)  $\,$ 

https://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/sexualbehaviors/strategies.htm

National Health Education Standards, American Cancer Society <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/healthyschools/sher/standards/index.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/healthyschools/sher/standards/index.htm</a>

Alaska Skills for a Healthy Life, Department of Education & Early Development

https://education.alaska.gov/akstandards/standards/AKStandards\_Skillsfor

#### aHealthyLife.pdf

Note: **Sec. 14.03.016.** part (c) "Nothing in this section prohibits a school employee or volunteer from answering a question from a child about any topic."

## Does this mean parents need to be notified at least two (2) weeks prior to ANY content involving sexual matters being taught including the elements of the Alaska Safe Children's?

Yes, until June 30, 2017 when the Alaska Safe Children's Act (AS 14.30.355 and 356) takes effect, all instructional materials concerning sexual matters and non-certified presenters working with those materials and topics must be board approved for all subjects concerning sex education, human reproductive education and human sexuality education. After June 30, 2017, the Safe Children's Act will be exempt from the requirements of AS14.30.361.

#### Can parents opt their child out of the Alaska Safe Children's Act curriculum?

#### Yes

- Sec. 14.30.355. Sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness and prevention. "(7) a procedure allowing a student to be excused from participating in training or from receiving notices under this section at the written request of a parent or guardian of the student, or of the student if the student is emancipated or 18 years of age or older.
- **Sec. 14.30.356.** Dating violence and abuse awareness training and prevention. "(6) a procedure allowing a student to be excused from participating in training or from receiving notices under this section at the written request of a parent or guardian of the student, or of the student if the student is emancipated or 18 years of age or older.

### Does the Alaska Safe Children's Act curriculum have to be approved by the school board also?

Yes, it is the school board's responsibility to review and adopt all curricula for the district, whether science, health or other content areas.

#### How will this look in much smaller districts?

For smaller districts a curriculum committee may not exist. Thus whoever is responsible for curriculum review and recommendation will need to do the

same work regarding materials relating to sex education, reproductive education and human sexuality education. In addition, staff will also need to compile the credentials for all non-certificated presenters who may be used in order for the board to review and approve them.

## What will happen to last minute presentations by community partners or the need to change presenters at the last minute due to illness or some other circumstance?

Unless the board has preapproved the replacement presenter and his/her materials and that presenter and the materials are made known to parents two (2) weeks in advance, a "last minute" presenter and materials cannot be used.

### How early can these approvals (curriculum or presenters) be offered to districts and parents?

This will depend on what each board determines is the appropriate process for review and approval of presenters, curriculum, and materials. It would seem most expedient and efficient to have these approvals completed far enough in advance that there is no question regarding parental notification deadlines.

## How does this law apply to afterschool activities (afterschool care, organizations, clubs, etc.)?

Any school-sponsored, school funded, or school directed afterschool activity or program that may address sex education, human reproductive education and human sexuality education topics would need to meet the requirements of the law. Classes, activities, meetings or presentations not directly associated with the school would likely not fall under the auspices of HB156. This would be a topic for legal advice by each district's legal counsel and boards might want to consider specific policy language in this regard.

### How much adoption/adaptation will school districts need to endure in order to make this change?

This will all depend on what the districts currently offer in terms of sex education and health instruction concerning sexuality and sexual matters and the current process the board and district employ for curriculum and materials approval. The notable addition is the requirement for presenter approval and the need to make available his/her credentials.

What is the definition of "person supervised by a certificated teacher"? Does the teacher just need to be present in the room during the presentation to supervise or will there be a requirement of some level of oversight or control?

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Specifically "how" supervision occurs by certificated staff of non-certificated presenters is not communicated in the language of the law. This is the domain of board policy and administrative regulation. Boards may look to existing district policy regarding supervision of non-certificated instruction. However, the certificated person must remain in the room with the presenter, know what is being presented (board approved) and be alert for student or presenter needs.

- a. The supervisor must hold a current Alaska Teaching Certificate and be employed under contract by the district. (This can include a teacher, administrator, school counselor and a certificated Type C school nurse.
  - http://www.touchngo.com/lglcntr/akstats/Statutes/Title14/Chapter20/Section010.htm
- b. Only a certificated substitute holding a current valid school district contract would be considered.

https://education.alaska.gov/teachercertification/Certification.html

Does the presenter need to be approved by the school board for each class or is it a one-time approval? Will they need to renew their approval each school year?

Each board and district will need to determine how approval will work and the frequency by which approval is needed or prior approval renewed. It would seem logical and expedient that as long as instructors, presenters and materials do not significantly change that approval could take place only when needed. Boards may want to institute yearly or cyclical review just as they should with all curriculum and materials.

## What will the approval process look like for all educators, including Peer Health Educators (teens)?

Each board and superintendent will need to determine its own process for approval of non-certificated presenters for this subject matter including Peer Health Educators. The law requires any and all credentials be available for public review for any non-certificated presenter. Currently employed, certificated staff responsible for sex education, human reproductive education and human sexuality education will need to meet state and district requirements.

Will there be a point person for each district to review the content with an interested parent or will this still fall to the teacher? In addition, if the parent

and teacher are unable to meet within the two (2) weeks to review curriculum will this interfere with the approved lesson moving forward?

Most likely the class teacher will be the person to meet with and answer questions from parents. Curriculum directors or those in charge of teaching and learning may also be a point for parent interaction.

If a parent cannot meet with a teacher or district representative ahead of the class, they still have the option of withdrawing the student from the activity or class in question. This would not affect the lesson for the rest of the class.

Will the school districts be defining who can provide the approved curriculum listed under the Alaska Safe Children's Act?

No, school boards will review and approve curriculum pertaining to the Alaska Safe Children's Act; they will not "define" who can provide the curriculum. This should be handled under the normal review and approval process conducted by the board.

If boards have previously approved curriculum and presenters regarding sex education, human reproductive education and human sexuality education does the board need to approve these again? The same question applies to materials.

If a board has already approved a curriculum and its materials (handouts, videos, etc.) then its approved. If teachers use additional materials that are not normally part of the curriculum, those pamphlets, videos, etc. would also have to be approved by the board and made available for parent review.

If the board has approved community resources and expect that people from those organizations may be a guest presenter, the person (not the organization) will have to be approved by the board and have his/her credentials available to parents. If the presenter is bringing in literature or materials, those would need to be pre-approved as well and available for parents two (2) weeks in advance.

Regarding other teacher resources or internet sites, districts still have to identify for board approval which materials will be used related to sex education, human reproductive education and human sexuality education.

Would lessons on gender identity / transgender information and discussions be considered "sexual matters?"

Yes, these are matters associated with "human sexuality". That being said, it may be advisable for boards to consider specific language regarding this issue and to seek their own legal counsel.

For more information or to submit additional questions, please contact:

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Patricia Owen, Patricia.Owen@alaska.gov

#### ALASKA GATEWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT



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#### MEMORANDUM

Date: October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016

To: AGSD Regional School Board

From: Scott MacManus, Superintendent

RE:

Superintendent's Board Report

#### Summary

As a part of this months report I completed the Superintendents Self-assessment, which is being sent to the Board under separate cover, and covers most of what I would otherwise address in my report, so this will be short. Work this month had been primarily focused on preparing for our strategic plan and Board work session.

We have made our Student Activities distribution this year from income brought in from Tetin and Tok School.

All non-tenured evaluations have been complete.

The administrative is looking at options that will impact our dropout rate. Among the things being discussed are more flexible course times, variable scheduling, increasing our CTE offerings, looking at a different work week similar to what Delta Junction is considering.

The state has certified the October 4<sup>th</sup> 2016, Regional School Board election, and the certificate is sent to the Board under "Correspondence". Also, please note the letter to the Board from Mr. Frank Cook, suggesting changes to the process of electing ASB members.

#### Final Count:

Our 20-day count for this year is done, and we have our initial unofficial numbers of 363.5 students in the district. Now we can go to work on adjusting our budget to our income. We also submitted our projected count for next year, and conservatively estimate that there will be 353 student (with 5 in REACH) next year, down from this year. The Board should remember that this is a highly fluid number.

#### **Facilities**

#### > CIP Application

Our CIP Application to upgrade the sprinkler system at Tok School has been reviewed, and the result of our work is that we moved from 47 to 26 on the funding priority list. While this is a big improvement, and would have met the threshold in

#### "Where Teachers Are The Gateway To Learning"

DotLake 907-882-2663 Fax: 907-882-2112

Eagle 907-547-2210 Fax: 907-547-2302

Mentasta 907-291-2327 Fax: 907-291-2325 Northway

Tok 907-883-5161 Fax: 907-883-5165

Tanacross 907-883-4391 Fax: 907-883-4390

Tetlin 907-324-2104 Fax: 907-324-2114 previous years, it likely will not result in state funding for doing that much needed work, given the fiscal status of the state this year. I am working with our Maintenance department on an alternative plan. Some of you may be aware that the system went down again because of a valve failure.

#### > Teacher Housing:

 Teacher housing seems to be in good shape, with few calls. We installed water meters, in an effort to economize, and that seems to be working. One of the side effects of this, of course, is the impact that maintaining these unit have on our maintenance crew.

#### **Biomass**

- Steam engine project has had some delays. The Switch-gear is nearly completed, and we now anticipate that it will arrive here in Tok in the first week of December.
   Once all the parts are here, the team will travel to Tok to do the final install and bring the unit on line, which is now anticipated going to happen in mid December.
- The Biomass crew has been hauling biomass to the yard all summer, and we have hundreds of tons currently in the yard. We are working with Forestry on accessing the material cut for the power line easements.
- The Biomass system in Mentasta that we are partnering with Mentasta Village Council has been repaired and is working. I visited the system and the district heating system there is ready.

#### > Eagle Water System

• The Eagle water system is working. We have ordered new filters, but so far everyone seems to be happy with the water.

TO:

Regional School Board

FROM:

Robbie MacManus

CFO

RE:

November Board Report

Another busy month in the business office, currently Candy and I are working on the Student Count due to the State November 11th. The unofficial student count is 363.50 this includes 52.25 REACH students and 311.25 (Brick and Mortar students).

The reason that these numbers are unofficial is because once the state receives each of the district's student lists, the students are entered into the statewide system and if there are duplicate students we are notified. Duplicate students are created from students moving from one district to another district. When more than 20 attendance days accumulate between the two districts for a student, the student is flagged. A notice is sent out to each of the districts and we have to work with other district to get the days to equal 20. So we could either gain or lose a couple of FTE (full time equivalents) We will have these final numbers at the next meeting. Based on these numbers AGSD's budget will be in the black.

Our FY18 projected enrollment is anticipated to be approximately 353 students. These numbers include 50 correspondence students. Dot Lake only has seven students projected for next year. This projection was turned in to the State on November 4th, 2016.

The Impact Aid cards were sent out and returned. Tok School did not have a 100% return, they are trickling in, if all are not received in the next week I will find the parents and have them complete the form. This is not from any fault of our staff, students lose the forms in their back packs or pockets etc., it is hard for the younger students to keep track of their papers.

This month quarterly reports were completed for grants, pupil transportation, unemployment and IRS 941 taxes. Several surveys were completed for Alaska Association of School Administrators, classified and certified salaries. Also a Federal wage survey. I have been dealing with worker's compensation employee issues.

I have talked with Alex Beckman from BDO, our audit is almost done, and the audit will be ready for presentation at the work session. As soon as the "Draft" comes in I will send out to all board members so you are able to review before the meeting.

As you know the School District is in receipt of the A-Chill grant which allows us to hire a part time position in the business office. This position is being advertised at this time and we will look at interviewing in the near future.

Sugar and I would like to take this time to wish everyone the best for the upcoming Holiday season and the New Year. Take advantage of your time with family and friends.

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| ACCOUNT NUMBER / TITLE  | CURRENT<br>BUDGET | YEAR TO DATE ACTIVITY                   | OUTSTANDING | UNCOMMITTED                                   | % OF BUDGET |
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| 100.XXX.XXX.XXX.653 FUEL INVENTORY<br>100.XXX.XXX.XXX.714 DEPOSITS PAYABLE  | 2,5               |   | :           | 2,5   | .00         |
| ENSE ACCOUNTS   |                   | 7,699.0                                 | 2,08        | 1,85  | 19          |
| 00.XXX.XXX.XXX GENE   | ,281,             | ,777,699.0                              | ,242,08     | ,261,85                                       | 4.86        |
| FUND 200 EQUIPMENT GRANT FOOD SRVC<br>EXPENSE ACCOUNTS  |                   |   |             |   |             |
| 200.XXX.XXX.XXX.510 EQUIPMENT   | ,40               |   | 0           | 0   | 00.00       |
| EXPENSE ACCOUNTS  | 6,400             | 00.                                     | ,40         | 0   | 0.          |
| 00.XXX.XXX.XXX  | ,40               | 10                                      | 6,400       | 0   | 100.00 %    |
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| ACCOUNTS  | 10                | 10                                      | 0           | 10  | 100         |
| 03.XXX.XX   | 169               | 0                                       | 0           | 697   | 00          |
| FUND 205 STUDENT TRANSPORTATION EXPENSE ACCOUNTS  |                   |   |             |   |             |
| C205.XXX.XXX.XXX.410 PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL<br>205.XXX.XXX.XXX.420 STAFF TRAVEL<br>205.XXX.XXX.XXX.425 STUDENT TRAVEL | 770,784           | 182,644.40                              | 000         | 588,140                                       | 23.70 %     |
|   | 770,784           | 182,644.40                              | 0           | 88.14   | 2   0       |
| 205.XXX.XXX.XXX.SXX STUDENT TRANSPORTATION  | 70,7              | 82,644.                                 | 0           | 8,14  | 3.70        |
| 208 BROADBAND F<br>NSE ACCOUNTS<br>XXX.XXX.XXX.433 C  | 0,06              | 0                                       | 0           | 90,06   | %<br>00 *   |
| XPENSE ACCOU  | 80,060            | 00.                                     | 0           | 80,060  | 00          |
| 208.XXX.XXX.XXX BROADBAND FUNDING   | 0,06              | 0                                       | 0           | 0,06  | % 00.       |
| FUND 209 2016 GROWING HEALTHY AK<br>EXPENSE ACCOUNTS  |                   |   |             |   |             |
| 209.XXX.XXX.XXX.420 STAFF TRAVEL 209.XXX.XXX.XXX.450 SUPPLIES, MATERIALS & MED.   | 119<br>631        | 118.80<br>631.20                        | 00          | 00  | 100.00      |
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|   | CURRENT<br>BUDGET        | AR TO DAT                             |      | UNCOMMITTED<br>BALANCE   | % OF BUDGET<br>COMMITTED                     |
| 234.XXX.XXX.491 DUES AND FEES   | N                        | 0.                                    | 0    | 10                       | % 00.  |
|   | 9,175                    | 10                                    | 0    | 9,175                    | 100  |
| 34.XXX.XXX.XXX FAS  | 17                       |                                       | 0    | 11                       | % 00.  |
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| 255.XXX.XXX.XXX.326 FOOD SERVICE STAFF 255.XXX.XXX.XXX.329 SUBSTITUTE/TEMPORARY   | 000                      | 4.4.τ<br>⊃.α.α                        | 000  | 1554<br>1555             | 000<br>000<br>000<br>000<br>000              |
| 255.XXX.XXX.XXX.361 HEALTH/LIFE INSURANCE 255.XXX.XXX.XXX.362 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE  | 000                      | 297.2                                 | 000  | , 297<br>707<br>107      | , o o  |
| 255.XXX.XXX.XXX.363 WORKER'S COMPENSATION 255.XXX.XXX.XXX.364 FICA/MEDICARE   | 00                       | 3,956.5                               | 000  | 3,6                      | 0<br>0<br>0<br>0                             |
| 255.XXX.XXX.XXX.410 PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL  | 00                       | ,016.9<br>.0                          | 00   | 0 /                      | 999.99                                       |
| 255.XXX.XXX.XXX.433 COMMUNICATIONS<br>255.XXX.XXX.XXX.431 COMMUNICATIONS<br>255.XXX.XXX.XXX.437 BOTTLED GAS   | 000                      | 1,460.48<br>355.55<br>1,378.42        | 000  | 1,460-356-               | 0000<br>0000<br>0000<br>0000<br>0000<br>0000 |
| 255.XXX.XXX.XXX.443 EQUIPMENT REPAIR & MAINT.<br>255.XXX.XXX.XXX.450 SUPPLIES.MATERIALS & MRD.  | 00                       | 0.046                                 | 90   | 0 0                      | 000  |
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| 255.XXX.XXX.XXX.491 DUES AND FEES<br>255.XXX.XXX.XXX.510 EQUIPMENT  | 000                      | 609.55                                | 729  | 610-<br>729-             | 600.666<br>600.666                           |
| C EXPENSE ACCOUNTS  | 0                        | 689.9                                 | 10   | 09,785                   | . 0  |
| 255.XXX.XXX.XXX FOOD SERVICE  | 0                        | 07,689.                               | , 09 | 78                       | 999.   |
| FUND 256 FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE<br>EXPENSE ACCOUNTS  |                          |                                       |      |                          |  |
| 256.XXX.XXX.XXX.329 SUBSTITUTE/TEMPORARY 256.XXX.XXX.XXX.362 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE   | 3,000                    | 00                                    | 00   |                          | 000  |
| 256.XXX.XXX.XXX.363 WORKER'S COMPENSATION<br>256.XXX.XXX.XXX.364 FICA/MEDICARE<br>256.XXX.XXX.XXX.459 FOOD  | _                        | r                                     | 000  |                          |  |
| EXPENSE ACCOUNTS  | 14.806                   | 527.8                                 |      | 27.0                     | 7 1 0  |
| 256.XXX.XXX.XXX FRESH FRUIT AND VEGETABLE   | 100                      | E 27 0                                |      |                          |  |
| HOOLS GRANT   | 2                        |                                       |      | 7                        | 0 . 0  |
| 257.XXX.XXX.XXX.321 DIRECTOR/COORD. CLASS. 257.XXX.XXXX.XXX.326 FOOD SERVICE STAFF 257.XXX.XXXXXXX.328 CONSTRUCTION LABOR 257.XXX.XXX.XXX.329 SIRECTITITE / TEMPODADU | 5,651<br>2,352<br>14,072 | 3,704.00                              | 000  | 1,947<br>2,352<br>10,749 | 65.05<br>23.05<br>61.8%                      |
| 257.XXX.XXX.XXX.361 HEALTH/LIFF INSURANCE<br>257.XXX.XXX.XXX.362 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE   | 00,                      |                                       | 000  | 38                       | 070  |
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263.XXX.XXXX.XXX.329 SUBSTITUTE/TEMPORARY
263.XXX.XXX.XXX.361 HEALTH/LIFE INSURANCE
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| ACCOUNT NUMBER / TITLE  | CURRENT BUDGET            | YEAR TO DATE<br>ACTIVITY         | OUTSTANDING       | UNCOMMITTED<br>BALANCE             | % OF BUDGET COMMITTED                    |
| XPENSE ACCOUNTS 67.XXX.XXX.XXX.314 DIRECTOR, 67.XXX.XXXX.XXX.361 HEALTH/L1 67.XXX.XXXX.XXX.361 HEALTH/L1 67.XXX.XXX.XXX.XXX.361 HEALTH/L1 | . 0 0                     | 0000                             |                   | 0 0                                | 000                                      |
| 67 XXX XXX 363<br>67 XXX XXX 363  | 4<br>2<br>8<br>8          | 000                              | 000               | H H 4                              | 000                                      |
| .XXX.XXX.XXX.365 TKS .XXX.XXX.XXX.410 PROFESSIONAL & TECHNI   | 1,583<br>26,600<br>31,500 | , 250.0<br>, 997.9               |                   | 92,00                              | .00<br>4.70<br>9.52                      |
| 67.XXX.XXX.XXX.480 DUTION<br>67.XXX.XXX.XXX.491 DUES AND FE<br>67.XXX.XXX.XXX.495 INDIRECT CO   | 4 00,0                    | 1,273.96<br>2,538.00<br>3,536.00 | 0000              | 12,165<br>2,538-<br>6,464<br>2,325 | 15.63 %<br>9999.99 %<br>35.36 %<br>.00 % |
| EXPENSE ACCOUNTS  | 1 80                      | 10                               | 1 00              | ,31                                | 65                                       |
| 67.XXX.XXX.XXX TITLE IIA TEACHER/PRIN TI  | 9,88                      | 1,595.9                          | 980               | ,31                                | 2.5                                      |
| ACCOUNTS XXX.XXX.410  | 00.00                     | 0.0                              | (                 | 0                                  | 00                                       |
| 286.XXX.XXX.XXX.425 STUDENT TRAVEL 286.XXX.XXX.XXX.450 SUPPLIES, MATERIALS & MED.   | 1,200                     | n,                               | 492<br>0<br>5,043 | 755<br>1,200<br>2,408              | 62.26<br>67.00<br>69.00<br>69.00         |
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| 286.XXX.XXX.XXX.XXX CARL PERKINS BASIC  | 5,00                      | ,668.2                           | , 53              | , 79                               | 100                                      |
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| 50.XXX.XXX.XXX<br>50.XXX.XXX.XXX  | 90                        | 01,                              | 00:               | 92                                 | 59                                       |
| 50.XXX.XXX.XXX.362<br>50.XXX.XXX.XXX.363  | ο<br>0 α<br>0 α           | 81.4<br>0.0                      | 000               | 661                                | 9.07<br>000<br>100                       |
| 50. XXX. XXX. 364<br>50. XXX. XXX. 365  | רט ר                      | 731                              | 000               | コロロ                                | 280                                      |
| 50.XXX.XXX.XXX.366<br>50.XXX.XXX.XXX.410  | 900                       | .40                              | 000               | ,72,                               | 16.95                                    |
| 50.XXX.XXX.XXX.420 STAFF TRAVEL<br>50.XXX.XXX.XXX.425 STUDENT TRAVEL  | 1,50                      | 4.0                              | 00                | $\sigma c$                         | 0 6<br>0 8<br>0 8<br>0 8                 |
|   |                           | 1,833.28<br>500.00               | 301<br>0<br>0     |                                    |  |
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| UNT NUMBER / TITLE  | CURRENT<br>BUDGET                                 | AR TO DATE  |   | UNCOMMITTED                   | % OF BUDGET<br>COMMITTED                       |
| 350.XXX.XXX.XXX.INDIAN EDUCATION  | 96,435  | 5 14,138.17   | 301                                     | 81,996                        | 14.97 %  |
| EC PP   |   | 2,967.0<br>399.7<br>4,555.0   | 00000000                                | 2,968-<br>400-<br>4,556-<br>0 | 00000000                                       |
| ENSE ACCOUNTS   |   | 8,623.  | 0                                       | ,623                          | 999.99   |
| 370.XXX.XXX.XXX DW TEACHER RENTAL   |   | 8,623.3   | 0                                       | 8,623-                        | 9999.99 %                                      |
| FUND 372 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT EXPENSE ACCOUNTS 372.XXX.XXX.XXX.450 SUPPLIES, MATERIALS & MED 372.XXX.XXX.XXX.495 INDIRECT COSTS   | 1,77  | 00.   | 00                                      | , 77                          |  |
| EXPENSE ACCOUNTS  |   | 0   | 0                                       |                               | 00   |
| 372.XXX.XXX.XXX COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT  | , 77  |   | 0                                       | 1,779                         | . 00.  |
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#### ALASKA GATEWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT

P.O. BOX 226, TOK, AK 99780 Ph: 907.883.5151 x 103 Fax: 907.883.4352 Scott MacManus, Superintendent of Schools

To: Superintendent & the Regional School Board

From: LeAnn Young, Grants

RE: Activities Report for November

**Don Young visited Alaska Gateway** Congressman Don Young visited Tok School on Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. He visited with kids who were attending the quarter 1 GPA party and read a book to the 1<sup>st</sup> grade. He and his staff toured the Biomass Plant and Gateway Greenhouse. Congressman Young was impressed with the facilities at Tok and commented on both the cleanliness of the school and the overall Biomass plant operation.

#### Grants:

Consolidated Grant (Tile IA, Title IC, and Title IIA) Our consolidated grant has received final approval from the Department of Education.

Northway & Tok Mapping Project The Division of Commerce and the District have completed the RFP process and have conditionally awarded the contract to McClintock Land Associates, Inc./Quantum to complete profile maps for Northway and Tok. The RFP asked for estimates to obtain aerial photography for Tok (with money provided by U.S. Natural Resource Conservation Service) and estimates on an option to complete profile maps for Tok. APT's contribution of \$9900 will allow another \$9900 to be used from the legislative appropriation and will allow for maps to be completed for Tok. A-CHILL I am in the process of reviewing the A-Chill grant and preparing letters to our partners. We expect a limited presence for this grant until the second semester when we can work with our partners to get things in place. The administrative assistant position for this grant has been advertised.

**Youth Development and Culture Grant Program** I am working with Eagle, Tok, Northway and Tanacross Schools who are interested in applying for this funding to get Dancing with the Spirit to visit their schools. Dancing with the Spirit offers week-long classes in singing, guitar, fiddle, mandolin, banjo, bass, square dancing and native drumming. Dancing with the Spirit connects youth and elders through school music programs and camp-promoting spiritual, physical, and mental wellness with joy, love and hope of music. This is a mini grant due November 18<sup>th</sup>.

Alaska Native Education Program Superintendent MacManus and I attended a mandatory project director meeting in Fairbanks to review the federal requirements of our ANE grant. I also stayed an extra day to attend the ANEP Applicant Seminar. The session focused on strategies for applying to the US Department of Education for program funds in 2017. We did learn that under the new ESEA laws LEA's are no longer eligible entities unless they are predominately governed by Alaska natives and are officially sanctioned or charted by an Alaska Native Organization. We are keeping a close eye out for the interpretation of the language of this legislation.

#### **Current Projects:**

Classified/Certified Hiring We are working on streamlining our personnel files for both classified and certified staff. This process includes; updating paperwork, setting clear expectations for new hires, data collection, and systems for tracking required training and professional development.

**Budgets/Staffing** I am becoming familiar with all of the grants and special program requirements. I have spent a considerable amount of time reviewing and setting up budgets for FY17, including a review of staffing.

**Native Youth Olympics** The first Native Youth Olympic event is being scheduled for the last week in November. Physical Education Teachers will focus on the skills of Native Youth Olympics during regular PE classes prior to hosting a final district-wide event that week in Mentasta on December 1<sup>st</sup> an 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Title I** Title I requirements include the implementation of programs, activities, and procedures that involve parents of children served through Title I-A. I will be working with schools to develop a parent involvement policy and parent-school compact.

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Mentasta 907-291-2327 Fax: 907-291-2325 Northway 907-778-2287 Fax: 907-778-2221

**Tok** 907-883-5161 Fax: 907-883-5165 **Tanacross** 907-883-4391 Fax: 907-883-4390

**Tetlin** 907-324-2104 Fax: 907-324-2114

Tracie Weisz
Curriculum and Instruction
Board Report for 11/14/16 Meeting

#### Professional Development

AGSD staff completed another successful inservice during the days of October 20 and 21 at Tanacross School. Certified staff had more Google training, which is expanding to include more sessions on using the Google Classroom platform, as well as Google apps for more useful ways to use Google in the classrooms. As a staff, we've moved far beyond Gmail and Google Docs basics and are now talking about these things as learning tools! On Thursday afternoon, certified staff participated in training for implementing cognitive development strategies into their classrooms. Friday morning was spent with Constance Remer-Ely from TCC, who presented a session on suicide prevention training. For the rest of the day, most of the certified staff stayed to work in a session designing units of study using the Understanding by Design method. Some of the elementary staff traveled to the Board Room in Tok to receive a 3 hour webinar training using the Sonday System, which is a reading intervention system the district has been using for the past three years. Classified instructional staff participated in a 2-day inservice with a trainer from SESA

#### Other Professional Development and Training

Lori Weisz attended the Health and Wellness Conference in Anchorage, and reported useful sessions in mental and physical health that she will implement into her PE and health classes, as well as good information about new legislation related to school health and wellness. Leland Monroe and myself attended the CTE conference in Anchorage October 17-19. During the conference, Leland was accepted to, and became re-certified with NCCER Training. I attended a CTE in rural schools work session, in which I learned more about how small districts around the state are overcoming challenges of distance and remoteness to bring up-to-date CTE education to all of their students.

We recently hosted another wall climbing certification class with Sam Braband of UAF. Sam came to our inservice last year, and did some training with staff on the big wall. This time he was here long enough to have trainees complete a certification. Each time we do this, more teachers around the district are able to better utilize their bouldering walls at their smaller schools, and also are able to bring students in for sessions at the big wall at Tok School.

#### District Website/Website Development

Apptegy, our website and app developer, is in the final stages of the website development as we begin making more detailed design decisions about the pages within our site. We want to maintain the wealth of information our site currently contains, with many options to expand and add useful content. The developer I am working with has commented that the design we've chosen is one of the nicest looking ones he's created.

#### <u>Other</u>

The first round of non-tenured teacher evaluations has been completed. Admins and teachers report liking the new evaluation instrument.

The students in AGSD are currently working on the District's Fall Writing Assessment. The window is October 31 through November 18.

In other news, I've been assisting some of our principals with completion of their submissions to STEPP, as well as working with various departments in the district to create better interfaces on our website for things like staff training and finding forms and reports.

To: Regional School Board

From: Randy Warren Maintenance Director

RE: October 2016 Board Report

The Maintenance Department for the month of October was busy going to the schools doing the PMs and teaching the custodians how to do the annual training online, this will save money and lots of travel time coming to Tok. I am currently working on updating the SDS books for all the school, and I have ordered a Bacharach combustion test kit for fine tuning the boilers and hope to start tuning them soon.

While we were at the schools doing the PMs we also fixed a few other things:

Tok School: We had the surplus sale, installed a garage door for the Zamboni, worked on the dry sprinkler system, fixed the broken vent pipes for fuel tank, and worked on the boilers.







Northway School: We installed washers and dryers in the school so they don't go thru so much water in the teacher houses, replaced zone valves in classrooms, worked on the gym heat system, and serviced the boilers and hot water heater.

Northway teacher houses: We installed new water saving toilets, and installed water meters.



Dot Lake School: We refinished the interior of the teacher house, installed a toilet, exterior doors, pellet stove, serviced the furnace and serviced the boilers in the school.



Tetlin School: We worked on the heat for the gym, and fixed the kitchen stove, I ran out of boiler nozzles so we could not service the one boiler, they are on order.

Tanacross School: We set up for teacher in service, serviced the furnaces and replaced the thermostat in gym.

Eagle School: We expedited a reverse osmosis system from Anchorage to Eagle and installed it, with all of the labor and materials to fix the water at the school this year has cost the district 30 hours in travel = \$700, 33 hours of labor= \$953.45, \$1014.55 for the zero water containers and filters, and \$7816.18 in materials from Alaska Pure Water, for a total of \$10,866.70.





## Special Education Department

November | Regional Board Meeting



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#### Hot Seat Items

Complaints from last year:

We finished all but one complaint. Leann started them last year. Some were from a couple of years before, so it was difficult to get the documentation they wanted. I would like to thank Leann for doing such an awesome job with them. It made my job so much easier. I will be finishing up the last one hopefully this week.

Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education.

Martin Luther King, Jr.



#### Count

We finished this year by revisiting IEPs with student who needed additional supports or a considerable amount of supports as well as looking at new cases. We are confident we were able to reflect the needs of the students on the IEPs and gather an accurate count for Special Education students.



#### What's Happening?

I was able to visit all the outlying sites except Eagle this month. Go me! I think our biggest strength right now is meeting the needs of the kids. We are really hustling out there to get the kids what they need. I know Ms. Robbie and Sugar hate this time of year, as I turn in lots of purchase orders, so we can get that material out there to the kids who need it.



#### Training:

We had a two-day training for instructional aides that went the same time as the teacher's district in-service. SESA came to train us on non-compliant students and data collection. It turned out to be an overview and some of our experienced staff probably did not walk away with a lot of new information but they all said they got something out of it. The data collection part was interesting and exactly what I was looking for.

#### What's next?

We still need to work on training. The next step will be at the sites with the individual aides and students. Sometimes you just have to work with what you have going on in order to fix it. So, there are three sites I will need to work with the staff and students on implementing positive behavior plans. We are not looking at district-wide training this month.

#### Technology Board Report November, 2016

We will have company in town to deliver our new switching hardware and battery backups in mid-November. Once these arrive I'll begin the process of switching, (pun intended), out our old network hardware for the shiny new stuff, as well as getting them hooked up to the battery backup systems. Once the switches are in place I'll change the installation of the wireless access points so they run directly off of power from the switches themselves. Then, in the event of a power outage our wireless Internet will stay active for some time since both the switches powering the wireless access points and the Internet hardware itself will all be on battery backup. Older desktop and non-mobile technology will, of course, go down, but laptops, iPads, and Chromebooks will all still function as well since they run off of a battery.

This battery-based system will help assure that power outages have a minimal impact on the education process, and will prevent the interruption of computer based testing. Particularly during high-stakes tests, such interruptions could be a significant problem.

Although we have not had significant problems with our existing infrastructure yet, it is aging, and becoming obsolete. I felt it was a good idea to take advantage of the ERate Category 2 process while it was available to upgrade our systems at the cost of \$0.15 on the dollar, with the rest subsidized by the ERate program. These upgrades, which have included switches and new wireless access points, helps assure our infrastructure is prepared to handle new technologies as they are adopted, and helps avoid inevitable issues with aging equipment.

The company who is delivering the new infrastructure hardware will also be setting up the wireless system that will bring service to the hockey rink, biomass building, and greenhouse processing building. This will turn these areas into more complete work spaces, and in the case of the hockey rink, allow for better broadcasting of games and activities.

The BEAR forms for our telecommunications systems have been processed and the refunds received. The money we got back from the wireless access points we purchased last year will help go to pay for the new equipment we are receiving now.



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#### November Counselor's Board Report

I am working with all of the students on careers. We are exploring different careers and what the student's strengths are along with their interests and matching the two up. For the older students we are using the college and career exploration web sit AKCIS. With the younger students we are doing activities that help them learn about different careers.

Our plans to do the "I Know I Can" program with the second grade students have been finalized, and the materials have been shipped. I am looking forward to receiving the materials in the near future. We are in the final stages of getting "Kids2College" going this year. The State is planning in shipping those materials just before winter break. This program includes a field trip to Fairbanks, which will take place on April 19<sup>th</sup>. This will be an exciting activity for our fifth grade students.

I meet with some of our high school student on a regular basis that have chosen careers that they want to pursue and are trying to learn what they need to do now and in the future to accomplish their goals. As the year progresses I hope to have more students finding careers they are excited about and help them with their plans. We are in the early stages of planning a field trip to a university and technical school.

No new information on the State standardized testing at this time.

Hope everyone is enjoying the above average temperatures this fall.

Tad Dunning

"Where Teachers Are The Gateway To Learning"



November 2016 Board report Loretta Fitting Food Service Coordinator

- Commodities have been flowing in and out! Freezer and dry storage is full and using the products from them regularly.
- Things have been going pretty smoothly in the kitchens.
- The Fresh fruit and vegetable program is in full swing and the kiddos are getting to try all sorts of fun fruits and veggies! Some of them from this month were; Mango, Pomegranate, snap peas, zucchini, kumquats and tangerines.
- A couple new recipe items added were a kid favorite, Sloppy Joe's, another one that the kiddos liked was the taco soup and a new side most liked by teachers, broccoli salad.
- We just had Halloween and spruced up the lunch name and called it slimy slithering spaghetti, vampire shield garlic toast, green monster finger beans, and pumpkin puffs, also served with fruit and milk.
- Soon the equipment for Tanacross should be here! New refrigerator and steam table coming soon!

Date:

November 3, 2016

To:

Regional School Board

From:

Pam Gingue

Program Coordinator

#### Preschool:

- Ann Millard completed evaluation activities for the ANE grant for the final APR for the 1st ANE grant that ended Sept. 30th, 2016;
- Currently we are in the second year of our second ANE grant;
- Northway and Tok preschool staff participated in an inservice training with Ann Millard in Tok on October 20th;

#### Testing:

 AIMS web and MAP testing completed at school sites; Several trips made to each school site, except Eagle, due to absences so that the 3 areas of testing for MAP could be completed for students; Thanks to school staff for your support and to Karla Champagne, Marla Alsup, and Ann Millard for facilitating testing at school sites;

#### Other:

- Greenhouse students presented at the October board meeting; Currently, planting is slowing down so the students will be working on other activities in the classroom along with some greenhouse time;
- Working on a job shadow field trip to Fairbanks for the Health Careers class; AHEC (Fairbanks Area Health Education Center) is assisting with this;
- Working on Migrant Ed. Program eligibility recruitment and review with Deb Sparks;
   Migrant Ed. updates are put into the state system for migrant ed. students;

#### **Upcoming Activities:**

Tok Preschool staff has been invited and will participate in a week long training on developmentally appropriate practice, curriculum, and assessment with TCC Head Start in Fairbanks the week of Nov. 13th; Marla Alsup will cover the classroom while they are gone.

#### Happy Thanksgiving!



#### **Biomass Board Report**

Narrative: Hauled two loads of playground chips to Tetlin via our dumping trailer. Hauled two loads of chips to Mentasta for their chip boiler. Attended a small maintenance conference in Anchorage October 17-20. Picked up a lot of helpful ideas on what other maintenance departments are doing to be efficient. Unfortunately while I was gone there was a power outage on the 19'Th that blew a number of components in the generator portion of the turbine system. The boiler then went down on the morning of Friday the 20'Th due to an electrical problem in the water supply system. When I returned the evening of the 20'Th I was able to fix the problem and restart the boiler. At that point I replaced the burnt out fuses on the turbine control. I however did not restart the turbine due to the lateness and the fact the boiler had just been restarted. On Sunday the 22'nd I attempted to start the turbine and it became apparent that serious problems existed in the system. After tracing wires and following the testing procedures suggested online, from the manual, and from Al Mattachack I ordered and subsequently installed a new voltage control. While working on the turbine over the course of several days the boiler went down again on the 26'Th due to a porthole seal on the east side blowing out. Under normal conditions the school boiler takes over the load while repairs are made. In this situation however the school boiler failed in the middle of the night. The greenhouse furnace ran out of fuel and we froze a little bit of our crops. Fortunately the crops frozen were near the end of their expected usefulness. I was able to drain and fix the boiler on the 27'Th at which point I restarted it. Between working on the issues at the plant spent a great deal of time repairing the chipper. On Tuesday November 1'st I programed and installed the voltage control on the generator head and it did not work. Generator would still not produce any voltage. Boiler went down again on November 1'st due to another boiler seal this time on the west side. November 2'nd I repaired and restarted the boiler, and drove to Mentasta to take care of a pump problem. While in Mentasta I met with Bob Gunn and Annita Adams to discuss and look at the issues they've been having with their biomass boiler. Returned and briefly trained Chris Bentely to do the night walk through of the biomass plant. I unfortunately am leaving to Oregon to attend a funeral and spend some time with family with an expected return on 11'th. I don't like leaving the generator unfixed but I've nearly run out of ideas. On the bright side chipping is going well and as long as additional breakdowns don't occur to the chipper it is fairly likely chipping will be entirely complete by the end of the month. This month has been a struggle to the point of being absurd. I however remain optimistic and never had a moment to get bored.

Sincerely Anthony Lee

#### The Gateway Greenhouse November 2016 Board Report

I was pleased to see the greenhouse students give their presentation at the last meeting, and their salads were tasty too. I think they did a great job for the little time they had to prepare. One of the students has expressed interest in doing another presentation for district students, and it's an idea I think we should consider for spring, after the greenhouse students have had the opportunity to participate in more activities and start the new growing season. The students continue to be very helpful, and it's nice to actually have contact with people when I am at work. The culinary arts students are still coming out on Fridays. Tomorrow they will be coming out to help lay barley seed on a bed that was cleared out today. I like that they are interested in all aspects of food, including learning how to add organic nutrients to the soil it is grown in.

This time of year, with diminishing light, plant growth slows down considerably. We planned October 1 as the cutoff for new plantings, but a couple small areas were planted on October 13. Some of the plantings have not grown as much as we thought they would have by now, but there is growth. A couple notes I made to myself in the month of October were:

- -Spinach, greens, lettuce mix, and kale should be planted by September 21.
- -Red leaf lettuce should probably go in by September 15, perhaps sooner. If the hydroponic unit is successful, this won't be an issue.
- \*\*I have changed my mind about the greens and lettuce mix since writing those notes because September 28th plantings of these items are progressing as planned.

As you know, we had a surprise visitor on October 26<sup>th</sup>. I did shake hands with Don Young, and he shared that Fort Yukon has a beautiful greenhouse but nobody to run it. I explained how I started out with no experience, how I am continuously learning, and he replied, "but isn't it fun?" I agreed that it is.

I was looking back on my very first board report, and I decided to reiterate ~ All individuals involved with the greenhouse are working together to ensure its continued success, and I look forward to carrying on with my part.

Bonnie Emery AGSD Greenhouse Manager November 3, 2016 the

# ECS Times

Principal's Ris-



Public Health Nurse, Mikaila Holt, will be in Eagle, Nov. 8-10. She will have flu shots available. For an appointment, please call:

(800) 478-1777 ext. 678

#### Volleyball

Community volleyball will begin on Tuesday, Nov. 8 6:00-8:00 p.m.

# Thanksgiving Dinner

Everyone is invited to join us at school on Tuesday evening, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. for a turkey dinner. Community members are asked to bring a covered dish to share. Student Council will host their annual Dessert Auction and they will raffle off a turkey, a ham, and 4 Cornish hens. Please be generous!



# Eagle Community School Water Success

For the first time in 30 years Eagle Community School is using the water from the school's well. Thanks to the diligence of RSB rep, Steve Robbins, the commitment of Superintendent, Scott MacManus, and the hard work of Maintenance staffers Randy Warren and Rick Nix, the school now produces it's own water. Repairs were made to the water softener and filtration systems, a reverse osmosis system was installed, and Zerowater filters were put on the coolers. Students and school staff are enjoying the taste of the water. Cook, Kathy Wolfgang, is cooking with it and even the classroom fish and frog are happily thriving in it. Thank you to the RSB and all who supported this effort!

#### Save the Date!

### Conferences

No school for students; parents have scheduled

appointments.

# Early Release 11/11/16

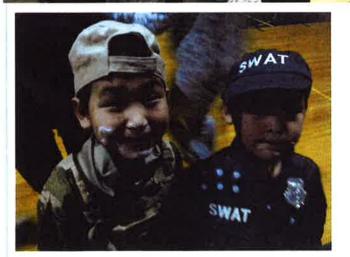
Happy Veteran's Day! Students released at 1:00 p.m.

## Thanksgiving 11/22 & 11/24-25

Turkey Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. on 11/22/16. No school 11/24 & 25.







#### Halloween Carnival

Student Council hosted another great Halloween Carnival for the Elementary students.

#### Students Enjoy Games & Candy

Saturday, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, the ECS Student Council and members of the secondary classroom hosted the elementary class and the community at large in the school gym for another great Halloween Carnival. Games included: pin the bone on the skeleton, diving for worms, Cheetos toss, and freeze tag. There were three piñatas: one for younger students, one for older students, and one for adults. Costume contests were also held. Many thanks to the Student Council for a fun night!

#### Mary Morris Teaches Sewing

Many thanks to Mary Morris for helping students learn to sew. Mary helped with skin/fur sewing when Nita Rearden was in Eagle and she patiently continues teaching students every Friday during 4-H.



Kristy attends Principal's Conference



Kristy attended the 50<sup>th</sup> annual Principal's Conference in Anchorage. She discussed the future of education in Alaska with Commissioner, Michael Johnson, and Senator, Lisa Murkowski.

#### Halloween Carnival Fun & Learning in the Lab with Marlys House A Photo Journal













#### Dot Lake School Home of the Eagles

**X-Country** - Dot Lake hosted X-Country on October 6th. In the K-2 division Kaylee placed 20th. In the 3-5 division Brandy placed 4th. In the 6-8 division Brandon placed 2nd, Chay'ne placed 6th, and Steven placed 7th. In the 9-12th division Chance placed 1st and Lexi placed 6th. On October 13th we traveled to Tanacross for the Championship race. We had students place in the top three in 3 of the 4 divisions. In the K-2 boys division Payton was in the top 3 for boys. In the 3-5 division Brandy was in the top3 for girls. And in the 9-12 division Kenneth placed 2nd.







**Science/Geography** - K-3 Science - The students have been taking care of caterpillars. They watched the caterpillars develop into chrysalis, then emerge into butterflies.

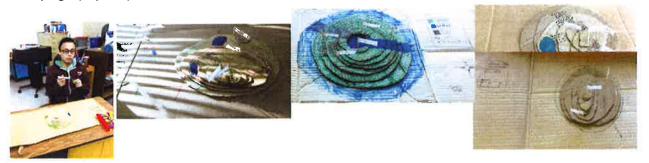








6-12 Science/Geography - The students have been learning about topography and relief. They made topography maps to show relief.



**Math** - The students learned about fractions by dividing balloons into fractions. Then they put paper mache on them and painted them to make pumpkins. They added fractions by doubling recipes.



Pumpkin math - The students practiced estimation by estimating the circumference of a pumpkin. They also estimated how many lines were on the pumpkins and how may seeds it contained. They worked in teams to put the seeds in piles of 10 and count them.









**Community Service Project** - The students have been working on a community service project. They are building an outhouse for a local family. They are practicing using math in a real life situation. Then they painted murals on the sides.









# Halloween at MLKJS





AMIAH SHOWS OFF HER FACE DESIGN



JAMES NICE JOB OF APPLYING FACE PAINT - A LITTLE SPOOKY



MARIAH IS THE FIRST PLACE ADULT COSTUME WINNER

# MENTASTA



PLC notes: PLC time has been productive at Mentasta Lake Katie John School. We would like to thank PAC parents for their support. The team discussed and planned for the upcoming strategic plan meeting in Mentasta 11/10 - voted to have a raffle with 1000 prize- nominated Ms. Good to lead our youth leadership team -discussed importance of students working to raise money v. staff and parents. -Roach was encouraged to relinquish a little of the fundraising control:)

Parents and students put a lot of time into pumpkin carving and costumes!

#### Ms. Good:

K-3 are studying addition strategies in math. The third graders are especially excited to be adding two digit numbers. Students continue reading in their Treasures anthology and enjoy the addition of a new reading app which allows them to listen and follow along to more stories in order to further build their comprehension skills. Students are also enjoying their independence in writing and illustrating their personal narratives. Students write more everyday which is awesome! Go K-3!

#### Ms. Fabian

The 4th-6th grade students at Mentasta collected qualitative and quantitative data on pumpkins in math and science. After estimating the number of seeds inside, students accurately counted over



500 seeds

in each pumpkin. The pumpkins were carved and displayed at the Halloween Carnival. Students sampled five different spiced roasted pumpkin seed and wrote descriptive paragraphs about the experience.

The 7th-12th grade students are studying environmental science and completed labs on the effects of an oil spill and using peanuts as an alternative energy source. In

Fine Arts students students finished painting their graffiti name to demonstrate their understanding of the color wheel and started working on tints and shades to create an abstract monochromatic design.



#### Mr. Roach:

7-12 history students are learning about the difficulty of establishing a new government in Alaska after the purchase. Geography students are learning about the Northeast. In 4-6, students are enjoying reading Holes. K-3 are learning about fruits and vegetables. K-3 enjoyed making Halloween decorations, and learning about the states.

#### Kids are excited about school at MLKJS







Sarah Demit presented safety reflectors to K-3. We want our kids to be safe trick or treaters.

BernaDean shares a story she wrote with Mr. Roach

K-3 pumpkin carvers:)



Music lessons have started
Students are learning Violin and Fiddle



Students made Birch bark basket

# Walter Northway News

Catherine Pauch Pelucipal/ Teacher

#### **Working Hard!**

Students have been working hard and are making progress in reading, writing and math. Teachers are preparing to meet with parents and share the results of the first semester during parent teacher conferences on Monday.

Our high school students have been meeting with Mr. Dunning, our counselor, on a regular basis to discuss college and career plans.

#### Academics

Map testing was done in the middle of October. We will be working on the writing assessment over the next week.

Lower elementary teachers have tested and placed students who need interventions in the Sonday system and will be starting the interventions next week.

#### Activities

Middle School Basketball will be in Glennallen this weekend. We are looking forward to a great weekend of competition and fun!

Our musicians are working hard twice a week in fiddle and guitar lesson. We have 3 students in each group and they are already playing songs and enjoying the lessons.

#### Outstanding School News!

We have filled our warrior board and we are ready to celebrate our positive behavior. We will have our first school wide celebration next Thursday!

#### **Tok School Regional School Board Report**

November Report by Principal Roslansky

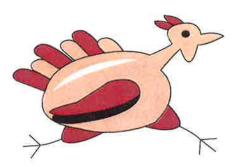
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# A Principal's Thanksgiving

By: Mr. Roslansky

Thanksgiving has evolved over the years but some of the highlights are as follows after a resolution of Congress, President George Washington proclaimed Thursday the 26th of November 1789 a day of "public thanksgiving and prayer". In 1941 Congress made Thanksgiving into law.

As Principal I'm blessed daily to be part of our communities' children education. I am thankful to be working with kind and positive teachers and support staff. It is a right of our young to receive an education. Sometimes at higher levels there is squabbles about money and how to fund an education. Although, I am thankful that in the community of Tok over the years those higher level squabbles have not affected the product that our students receive. Thank you to the parents that get their kids to school. Thank you to the children that brighten up the school eager to learn. I am truly blessed to be of service to such an honorable endeavor.



#### Rifle Team

By: Samantha Stewart

The rifle team is off to a good start this year. The members of the team are Leeanna Litwack who is a second-year shooter, and new shooters Aaron Callos, Lorna Keller, and our exchange student from Thailand, Vasa Singhamongkolkhet. The rifle team has had three matches against Lathrop, Delta, and West Valley. Leeanna placed second twice and first once in air rifle. The team is off to an awesome start and the new shooters are



improving so much with every match!

#### **Upcoming Events**

11/16 Advisory School Board Workshop11/16 Advisory School Board Mtg.

11/16 Permafrost Presentation @ Tok

11/18-11/19 Volleyball @ Tri-Valley

#### **Upcoming Events Cont.**

11/18-11/19 Volleyball @ Tri-Valley

11/19 Tok-A-Tan Bazaar

11/19 USA Hockey Ref Clinic @ Tok

11/19 Little Dribblers @ Tok

11/23 Early Out

11/24 - 11/25 No School (Thanksgiving)

11/28-12/2 NYO Week

11/30 Varsity Basketball Starts

12/1-12/2 NYO Competition @ Mentasta

11/28-12/9 PEP Grant Fitness Log

Window

12/2 - 12/3 Volleyball Regionals @ Tok

School

12/2-12/3 Bush League Hockey @ Tok

12/2-12/3 Rifle @ MAC Championship @

UAF

12/6 Varsity Hockey @ Tok vs.

Glennallen

12/7 Mid-2nd Qtr

12/7 Boy Scout Court of Honor @ Tok

12/8-12/10 Volleyball State Tournament

12/9 Varsity Hockey @ Delta vs. Hutch

12/10 Little Dribblers

12/13 Varsity Hockey @ Monroe

12/15 Christmas Concert @ Tok School

#### **Culinary Arts**

by: Samantha Stewart

Tok School is having their first ever culinary arts class! The students are learning how to make a variety of many delicious recipes.

They have worked in the greenhouse, made jam using local berries, and used fresh produce to make salads and appetizers. The class worked with community member Wanita Cook and made Thai spring rolls. They helped prepare food for the cultural week potlatch. You can visit Tok School's Culinary Arts Class' blog at:

http://thsculinaryarts.blogspot.com/ to keep up to date on their fun culinary adventures!



#### Student Council

Membership

The 2016-2017 Tok School's Student Council:

President: Juanwara Cook Vice-President: Leeanna Litwack Treasurer: Madalynn Alsup Secretary: Trinity James Jr High Rep: Hannah Beeman

#### **GPA Party**

By: Juanwara Cook

A Halloween themed grade point average party was held in Ms. Burnham's classroom on Wednesday. It was quite fun with the group singing Mason Copeland a happy birthday and a table of Halloween themed snacks provided by the culinary arts class. From grape spiders to pretzel and cheese broomsticks for snacks and spinach smoothies and lemonade for drinks, it was a great reward for the students who worked to keep their grades up. The movie 'Hocus Pocus' was played making the room a very relaxing and chill place for the hard working students to hang out. It proved as a nice reward. If you missed the party this quarter, don't fret, another will be held soon. So keep your grades up!

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12/15-12/17 Varsity Basketbaal @ Lumen

#### **STEAM trip to Kodiak**

By: Rylee Williamson

This year: Hannah Ekada, Riley Young, Julia Kaltanekker, Heaven Albert, David Young, Malakai Odom, Dawson Young were the lucky students of Tok School that got to travel to Kodiak to work on engineering projects and learn all sorts of things about piloting and robotics. Many of the students enjoyed the trip and realized all of the opportunities that there are in the engineering field. They have also learned about a new favorite game called Alutiiq Tag. The trip was full of excitement and many learning opportunities!



Tok Students in Kodiak



**Tok Student Art Work** 

## **Board Report**

#### Tanacross October 2016

The weeks of October flew by in a flurry of activity. Students at Tanacross hosted and participated in the final championship Cross-Country race. The also visited Tok School library, learned about animals, practiced being young engineers, helped decorate their community hall

for their Halloween party, AND participated in Family Night.



The final cross-country meet was held here at Tanacross on October 12 from 12:00-2:30. Students from around the district converged at the airport where Mr. Holmes and Mr. Cronk had marked out the different courses. Tanacross students competed in all three races, with Shelby Williams placing third in her grade/gender category. Following the race Mr. Holmes



and Mr. Cronk presented the champions with their medals and then there was cake for

In addition to the regular daily work students here also have had time for some different fun activities. They participated in the culminating day of Culture Week at Tok School. Learning



Athabaskan words, songs and dances. They heard important messages from visiting elders about the importance of school, respect and culture. Some of the students still like to do the dances in our gym.

On Monday the 24 of October, the students went for their monthly visit to Tok School Library, where Miss Connie read them two fun

Halloween stories, and

then they got to select new books to check-out AND browse through the many wonderful books and items available from the Scholastic Book Fair. This is a favorite activity for our students.



As the month wound down we did several fun Halloween activities. First we played a witch and ghost game for PE. This was a fun version of freeze tag. The students at Tanacross have

PE every morning, led either by Ms. Weisz or by Mrs. Buffum. I am committed to students participate in structured physical activity every day.

On Halloween the students walked over to the Community Hall to help decorate for their

Halloween party. They got to help put up cobwebs and spiders and of course carve pumpkins. It was a great day for an outing.

When they came back from decorating the Community Hall the students had an afternoon of STEM activities.

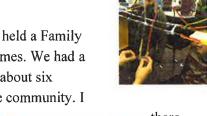
Without a doubt the favorite activity was building a bridge. And many unique bridges were created.

On the first of November we held a Family Night which focused on Math Games. We had a

hot dog dinner and Ice Cream for dessert. Three parents came and about six students. This was disappointing as it was heavily advertised in the community. I

attempted to host a PAC meeting at 4:30 unfortunately was zero participation from the community. The lack of community support is very frustrating.





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# TETLIN WIND

November 2016

#### Athabascan Values: Knowledge of Language

It has been an exciting week with the new emphasis on learning the Upper-Tanana dialect of the Athabascan language. Select students meet, usually, four times a week to work on their language and cultural skills. Students are practicing songs, word usage and will be working on projects. We look forward to great happening in building a more solid cultural background for our students. We also have six students who are taking guitar class with an instructor courtesy of the school district. All of the students are doing well and improving their skills. We will also be having an activity on November 18 in which students will be learning native dance and song followed by a potlatch. Dance instruction will be in the morning with the potlatch starting at 2 p.m. Please make the time to come and join us. We look forward to you sharing in this rich cultural activity.

#### Robert Litwack Principal/Teacher

November Calendar

- 7 Parent Teacher Conferences (no school)
- 8 Election Day
- 9 Counselor Visit
- 11 Recognition Activity 1 p.m. (parents invited)
- 18 School Potlatch and Dance training

24-25 Thanksgiving Holiday

Thanks to all the parents and students who participated and assisted with our great Halloween Carnival. You all did a marvelous job.



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**Tetlin School Today** 

# REACH Academy

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November 2016

#### Permafrost Event



On Wednesday, November 16th from 5:30 - 7:30PM the UAF Permafrost Team will host an exciting Permafrost exhibit in the Tok School Multi-Purpose Room.

The evening will begin with a fun presentation and then participants will have the opportunity to explore a variety of interactive exhibits including a portable Permafrost tunnel!

Please feel free to invite other community members/families who would enjoy this great event.

This exhibit features many priceless items so parents must remain at the event.

Check out the flyer for more information.



Thursday from 1:00 - 1:45PM in the Tok School gymnasium.



**Free Community Event** 

#### PERMAFROST

Explore the frozen ground under our feet...and what happens if it thaws.

#### Wednesday, November 16, 2016

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Tok School Multi-purpose Room

Explore 30,000 year old ice. Smell the stink of thawed permafrost. Touch real mammoth bones. Use tools scientists use in research. Climb into a portable Permafrost tunnel.

Questions? Contact Jessica Garron (UAF) jigarron@alaska.edu, 907-474-7598 or Lauren Stone (REACH Academy) lstone@agsd.us, 907-883-2591







**REACH Art:** There won't be any REACH Art classes during the month of November. We are working on several other possible activities to take place during November.

<u>New Forms:</u> We have migrated all of our Wufoo Forms to Google Forms. We have found that Google offers more time-saving options for REACH Staff and are more user-friendly for REACH Students/Families. Please take a moment to test out our new forms here; <a href="http://reach3.wixsite.com/akreach/parents">http://reach3.wixsite.com/akreach/parents</a>.

End of the Year Field Trip: We have started planning our end of the year trip! We are looking at traveling to Anchorage/Seward from May 22nd to May 26th. We will tentatively spend the night in Anchorage/Valley on the evening of the 22nd, and then travel Seward via train on May 23rd. On May 23rd we would spend the night in the Seward SeaLife Center! On the day of the 24th, we are planning to take a whale watching tour. We would travel back to Anchorage via train on the evening of the 24th. We would spend the evenings of the 24th and 25th in Anchorage. We are planning lots of fun activities in Anchorage for the 25th. We would travel back to Tok on the morning of the 26th.

<u>New Office Hours:</u> The REACH Academy Office and Resource Room will be open from 12:00PM - 5:00PM Monday through Friday beginning Monday, October 31st.

Tok Advisory School Board Meeting Minutes 26, October 2016 at Tok School Library

Kristie Charlie called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM

Pledge of Allegiance performed.

Roll Call:

Present: Frank Cook, Amy Crozier, Kristie Charlie.

**Absent: Candice Jacobs** 

Also Present: Jason Roslansky

No Motions Made

Hearing of Visitors: None

#### Approval of Agenda:

Amy moved to approve the agenda as written, Frank seconded, no discussion, vote called. All were in favor. Motion passed.

#### Approval of Minutes:

Jason pointed out a mistake on the September minutes. The enrollment should have read 175 (not 275). Frank moved to approve the minutes with the correction to the enrollment number. Amy seconded. No further discussion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

#### Principal and Activity Report:

Principal presented his report on current after school programs, clubs, and sports. He also talked about the schedule for the upcoming strategic planning events and the visit by congressman Don Young. Jason reported that all student activities accounts, including HS V-ball, are now in the black due to fund raising activities.

#### **Student Council Report:**

No report from student council.

#### Use of School Facilities:

The PTSA is heading up Trick or Treat Street. Other facilities uses are the Young Life group and the AWANA group.

#### **ASB Elections:**

There are no formal candidates on the ballot because no one submitted a petition. The ballot will be write-in only. We still do not have a candidate to appoint to the vacant position. The principal will endeavor to have ASB elections at the same time and place as the regular elections this year.

#### **ASB Visits:**

Jason requested that each ASB member come to school and visit classrooms while in session. No Motions Made

#### Veterans Day and Thanksgiving:

Principal reported on his plans for Veterans Day activities and Thanksgiving community lunch. The community lunch will be on Tuesday (not Wednesday) of Thanksgiving week from 11:20 AM to 12:30 PM.

#### **Student Recognition:**

Student counsel held their planned GPA party and the cooking class provided the food for the party and they were visited by congressman Don Young.

#### Tok School Student Handbook Changes, 2nd Reading:

Frank moved to approve change #1 (change to dress code policy). There was no second. Kristie ruled that, hearing no second, the motion failed and the dress code policy will remain unchanged as currently written.

Frank moved to approve change #2 (change to eligibility rules). Amy seconded. The ASB discussed the purpose and meaning of the change, which is to allow a little more flexibility in the weekly deadline for sports eligibility. Vote called. All were in favor. Motion passed.

#### Culture Week:

Jason reported positive feedback on the culture week activities and said that he is planning to make this an annual event.

#### 4th Grade Field Trip:

Jason reported that the  $4^{th}$  grade field trip has been postponed due to pool maintenance at Fort Greely.

#### Lego Robotics:

The district is offering to fund robotics for grades 6 to 8 and Tok School will be participating.

#### ASB Workshop:

The principal would like to study/review all district policies that involve the ASB with input from the superintendent. The plan is to have the workshop during lunch time at the restaurant at noon on November  $16^{\rm th}$  and then have the regular ASB meeting at school that same evening at 6PM. No motions made.

#### Correspondence: None

Future Agenda Items: Officer elections, oaths, and school calendar Adjournment:

Frank moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 PM. Amy seconded. No discussion. Vote called. All were in favor. Motion Passed.

Minutes prepared by Frank Cook.

# STATE OF ALASKA DIVISION OF ELECTIONS JUNEAU

# CERTIFICATE

# I, Josie Bahnke, Director of the Division of Elections for the State of Alaska, do hereby

School District, was held on October 4, 2016, and the following candidates were elected as school district board certify that in accordance with the provisions of AS 14.08.071(b), an election for REAA 16, Alaska Gateway members for the seat and term designated:

Lorraine L. Titus Jeff B. Deeter Steve Robbins

Section I, Seat A Section III, Seat F Section IV, Seat G

3 year term
3 year term
1 year term

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed hereto the Seal of the State of Alaska, at Juneau, the Capital, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D. 2016.



Josie Bahnke, Director Division of Elections From: Frank Cook (Tok Advisory School Board member)

Re: AR 8120a and E8120a, Advisory School Board Election Procedures

Dear School Board Chairperson and Members.

I am writing to request consideration for revisions to policy AR 8120a (item #2 under Election Procedures) and the elimination of form E8120a. Under this policy, if a qualified community member makes known an interest in volunteering to serve on the advisory school board (ASB) then that person will have to prove how much they really want to volunteer by traveling to the school, picking up form E8120a, and then taking the form around to bother five friends that are eligible voters for signatures before returning the form to the principal at the school.

To some, this may seem to be a minor hassle that anyone serious about volunteering for ASB service would be willing to do. I argue that, to the majority of potential candidates, the inconvenience of this policy requirement is enough to discourage service on the ASB. When I was a principal in the district I would take the form around to staff members for signatures so the potential candidate would not have to deal with it. The upcoming election for Tok ASB members will have no names on the ballot even though there are several people willing to volunteer. The election of two members for Tok ASB will have to be by write-in vote because nobody wanted to deal with picking up a form, taking it around for five signatures, and returning it to school.

A small and simple change could make the process much smother as well as increasing participation in the ASB elections. I suggest eliminating form E 8120a (nominating petition) and changing policy AR 8120a item #2 under election procedures to read as follows:

#### **Election Procedures**

AR 8120(a)

2. Qualified candidates interested in serving on the advisory school board must contact the school principal and request to have their names included on the ballot three weeks prior to the election. If a candidate misses the deadline then his/her name may not be included on the ballot, but he/she may seek election on a write-in basis.

Sincerely yours.

Franklin A. Cook