

LSAC Meeting Minutes

**Date: September 29, 2020
Kokhanok, Alaska**

**Roll Call: Shirley Nielsen, Marlene Nielsen, Janessa Woods, Brittany Rush, Beth Hill
Introduction of Visitors: Dana Wolf, Jordan Davis, Jesse Davis, Josh Jenks, Bill Cornell, Austin, Kate, Lysa Lacson, Harry Ricci, Nick Mike**

Approval of Agenda:

Motion: Moved by Marlene Nielsen, Seconded by Shirley Nielsen, to approve Agenda as presented.

**Discussion:
none**

Approval of Previous Minutes:

Motion: Moved by Shirley Nielsen Seconded by, Marlene Nielsen to approve minutes as presented.

Discussion: added Beth to previous minutes as an LSAC Member present.

Reports:

**Student Council
none**

**Student Reports
None**

Old Business:

1. Smart Start Plan

- a. Bill reports that staff has done a good job implementing this plan.
- b. Bill has been in communication with the clinic and also the village council daily about the village policy's.
 - i. Stance of school is to follow local mandates that are set in place by the Kokhanok Village council
 1. Bill will stay in contact with KVC to make sure we are keeping in line with what is being asked of the village council
 2. Marlene asks if KVC has updated their village plan.
 - a. Those traveling back from covid positive cases, it states to get tested and receive a negative test before returning to a social gathering such as the school. That includes all those living in the household of those who have traveled to a covid positive place.
 - i. Marlene has advised council that we should not label the school as an essential place. But instead have the school workers be essential.

1. Right now, Bill says that the school essential employees are only facility and maintenance workers.
2. Beth wants to know what yellow means?
 - a. Bill says that means if Covid is in the village or in the lake region.
 - b. Beth's concern is what if we have a positive case like a Tuesday, do we have to wait until the next Monday meeting to address it.
 - i. If there is a concern about this, we need to contact Bill or Jordan. He will reach out to Covid team immediately to determine the change.
 - ii. Marlene asks if we heard there is a case, who will be contacting the Covid Team or school about this covid positive case? How are we going to inform each other about a case?
 - iii. Bill says go to him with any covid concerns
 - iv. Nick says South Central Foundation or public health nurse will notified the clinic about positive case then the clinic will notify the council only if there is a positive case.
 - v. Lysa also gets emails from Dusty (south central) about positive covid cases.
 - vi. Marlene asks how are we going to go from green to yellow as a school?
 - vii. Bill says that is determined by the district level
 - viii. Shirley says these matters (covid) need to be handled right away. We should not wait. Things need to be handled right away so the community does not get nervous over the issue.

- ix. Bill says a communication between the council and clinic is important. Marlene states that the council, clinic and LSAC should all be in communication.

New Business:

1. Data Review Plan- School Climate and Community Connections
 1. Done on an annual basis.
 2. There was no state testing in the spring. MAPS testing was this month. There were not too many skills lost. The lower grades do need more Reading. Upper grades need Math assistance.
 3. LSAC can provide feedback for the teachers to see what goals they want to see as a site.
 1. Beth would like to see more connection between the community activities with the school activities. We as a village can facilitate opportunities that can be tied into the school.
 1. Monthly or once every two months connect with the village to see how we can connect our activities into Reading, Writing, Math, Social Studies.
 2. Could a half day school focus in on an activity that was held on the village level turn into a research project? Or other core subjects? –Beth Hill
 1. Bill says we have lots of opportunities to implement place based education
 2. Marlene asks how can we make these great ideas actually happen?
 1. Bill says coordinating with school staff and coordinators of the village activities.
 2. Marlene asks who is going to be promoting this?
 1. These goals are related to the school. It would be bill and the staff.
 2. Beth suggests students post their work around the village so others can see.
 1. Bill says a goal can be to celebrate what kids are doing in the school
 3. A Goal: would be for the village workers to provide school staff with more information on local activities that occur.
 3. Josh has an idea to have an outdoor track event for the students. He thinks this would be a good idea as long as we can keep locals and students social

distancing. Josh said he can he can plan this if it is something we as a community would want to see happen.

1. Bill said he will follow up with Josh about this. He thinks it would be a good idea.
4. Partner with KCC to offer more outdoor activities for the school children.
2. Elections
 1. Janessa and Jordan said that seats are not right. Bill is going to fix it. Seat B and Seat E are going to be open. Shirley holds seat B Janessa holds seat E. Elections are going to be on November 2nd. Bill is asking that the LSAC election be held at the same time as local elections.
 2. Laura Andrew has not attend meetings. Shirley is wondering if there is a way we can see if she is still interested in her term? If not, can we have her seat opened up during elections?
 3. Marlene asks if we are going to follow the same guidelines as KVC during elections?
 1. Bill says LSAC follows a declaration of candidacy.

Correspondence:
none

Principal/HT/Teacher Reports

Bill- We remain fully staffed. Have had some staff travel to anchorage for appointments. They have followed the local mandates when returning. School does have covid sick leave in place for these staff members. We have deepened our sub pool if needed. Student count is always in October. This determines funding for following school year. October in-service has been changed October 15, 16. A notice will go out to community soon. The inservice will be reduced to 2 inservice days. Two additional days will be moved to end of Christmas break. We will go back to school January 12th. Cross country will have 2 races traveling to New Halen for region cross country tournament. Travel there and travel home same day. They will be required to be masked and only take their mask off during running.

Brittany- started with 6 went down to 5. The last I heard is I still have 7 enrolled.

Dana – Teaching kindergarten, 6 students. Getting routine down. Asks parents to practice letters & reading books at home.

Jordan- Teaches upper elementary and some upper students. Kids are all polite and respectful and willing to learn. Thankful for teachers and aides.

Jesse- Still a half time teacher. Comes in and helps students for distance classes. Super impressed with our younger ones who are doing online learning. They are doing a good job keeping up and interacting. Has a level 5 math class with 9 students. Spending a lot of time reviewing things that they covered last year. They are now starting something new, decimals. It has been going good.

Josh- This year I have 3 and 4 for reading 4 and 5 for everything else. Students are really eager to learn. They all missed the school. Students are doing a good job keeping their distance and

keeping their masks on. Sonia is doing a good job keeping surfaces clean. Josh and Dana will be doing student government. Homework is coming back this year. Interventions, Dana, Austin and Josh are coming up with ideas to do during this time.

Austin-Teaches level 1 and 2 level 3 in social studies. Working on recapping. Beginning of the year was a little difficult getting students adjusted to covid times. Things are now running smoothly.

Kate- Excited to be back this year. Thankful to come back and all be together. Really excited to be here. She still is our special education teacher. She works with all levels in the school. It's nice to be back with all of them.

Community Concerns/Comments:

Harry Ricci-Ed Lester is doing a really good job trying to work out sports. Sports travel has been authorized by district. Final authority of travel will be by parents or guardians.

Anchorage travel: students will not stay at a hotel, instead a rented home. No restaurant eating, no malls. Board approved the use of vacant teacher housing for essential workers that come into the village. Ty Mase has the final say.

Lysa- what are the qualifications for candidates of LSAC and what are the qualifications for voters?

Bill says they have to have reside in Kokhanok for at least 30 days prior to election.

Lysa asked if they have to be tribally enrolled?

Bill will look into this. He then says they just have to be a resident of Kokhanok

Informational

October Teacher Inservice has changed from October 14-16,19 to only two days, October 15-16.

Future Agenda Items:

Marlene asks Bill how New Halen got started with NIYAC? She is interested in doing something like this in Kokhanok. Bill said he will follow up with information and get back to us on this at the next meeting.

Future Agenda items and meeting date: bill will connect with LSAC to determine the date Adjournment

Motion by: Shirley Nielsen Moved by, Seconded by, Marlene Nielsen to adjourn at, 5:45