Alsea School Board Meeting Tuesday, July 22, 2025 6:00 PM Alsea School Staff Room



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Board Members Present: Risteen Follett, Soren Rounds, Jamie Olsen, George Laiblin, Russ Ceperich

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Stacy Knudson, Lora Nickle

Patrons In Person: Peter Greenberg with Energy Wise Services

Staff and Patrons Online:

1. Call to Order - 6:00 PM

a. Flag Salute

b. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Knudson recommended moving the presentation from Peter Greenberg to 5a. Risteen Follett requested that before moving to the Consent Agenda she be sworn in as a reelected Board Member. The agenda was approved with the recommendations.

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Regular Board Meeting 06.10.2025
 - ii. Budget Hearing 06.10.2025
- Hire Josh Cleveland, Food Service Assistant
 Jamie Olsen motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Soren Rounds seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

3. Patron Comments

None

4. Reports

a. Superintendent Report

Ms. Knudson presented her report to the Board. The documents are available online.

b. Business Manager Report

Ms. Knudson presented the financial report to the Board in Mr. Staehely's absence. The documents are available online.

c. Seismic Construction Update

Chris Giggy presented his report to the Board. The documents are available online. He invited the Board Members about having a walk-through so that they can see all the work being done.

New Business

a. Community Resilience Grant Opportunity

Peter Greenberg spoke to the Board about the Community Resilience Grant through Benton County to install solar panels and batteries. More studies will have to be done to ensure that we meet the qualification guidelines. The Board discussed at length.

b. Cell Phone Ban - Executive Order

Ms. Knudson spoke to the Board about the Executive Order from Governor Kotek which will need an adopted policy by October 31, 2025 and be fully implemented by January 1, 2026. Ms. Knudson has been working to update the student handbooks. She will present to the Board at the August meeting a first read on policies for staff and students. The Board discussed at length.

c. Alsea Organizational Chart

Ms. Knudson let the Board know that she wanted to present this basic organizational chart to help the Board and Community the District's structure and responsibilities.

d. Election of Board Officers

Russ Ceperich nominated Risteen Follett for Board Chair. Jamie Olsen seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Motion carried 5-0.

Russ Ceperich nominated Jamie Olsen for Vice Chair. There were no other nominations. Motion carried 5-0.

e. 2025-26 Academic Calendar revised

Ms. Knudson presented the revised academic calendar to the Board. She explained that with the delay in construction completion allowing time to get the building cleaned and teachers to have time to put classrooms back together the first day for students would be September 4th for the 2025-26 school year. She assured the Board that the instructional minutes meet the Division 22 standards.

Jamie Olsen motioned to approve the updated calendar for the 2025-26 school year. Russ Ceperich seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

f. Annual Organizational Resolution 2025-26

The Board reviewed the Annual Organizational Resolution for 2025-26. They discussed the dates for the Board meetings.

Jamie Olsen motioned to move the monthly Board meetings to the second Monday of the month and approve the Annual Organizational Resolution 26-01. Russ Ceperich seconded the motion. The Board discussed. Motion carried 5-0.

g. Board Training Schedule

Ms. Nickle reached out to Vincent Adams for possible dates. Ms. Knudson reached out to Kristen Miles for her availability as well. The Board discussed dates of availability. Ms. Knudson will reach out to Kristen Miles to set a date of September 23rd to schedule.

h. Set Board Meeting Calendar

The second Monday of each month at 6:00 PM was set as part of the Annual Organizational Resolution.

i. Superintendent Evaluation Schedule

The Board discussed at length setting the months of completion. Ms. Nickle will send out a Google form to compile work session dates for November and Executive Session dates for January and February. Russ Ceperich motioned to accept the Superintendent Evaluation Calendar as amended. Soren Rounds seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Old Business

None

7. First Reading *(Shaded words are new/strikethroughs are deleted)

- a. GBN/JBA Sexual Harassment
- b. IIBG Responsible Use of Technology
- c. IIBG-AR Responsible Use of Technology

8. Second Reading

9. **Board Comments**

Jamie Olsen stated that she is excited for the new year and continuing work that Krista Nieraeth worked hard to accomplish. Russ Ceperich also expressed his looking forward to the work ahead for the coming school year and opportunities to grow as a School Board.

10. Future Agenda Items

11. Key Dates

August 11 – Regular School Board Meeting

12. Adjournment - 7:39 PM