



NAPAAQTUGMIUT SCHOOL

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September 12, 2024

Date: August 29, 2024

Time: 4:00

Principal: Lori Lundgaard-Hall

ASC Members: Janet Mills, Christina Mills, Alice Adams, Hilda Booth, Mary Adams

Quorum Established: Yes / No

1. Call to order

4:23 PM

2. Roll call

1. Alice Adams
2. Christina Mills
3. Janet Mills via phone
4. Hilda Booth
5. Mary Adams (AE)

3. Moment of silence

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Introduction of Staff and Guests

Daphne Tadeo, Lori Lundgaard-Hall, Emma Monroe, Issiah McKenzie

6. Approval of Agenda

Approve by Christina, second by Hilda

7. Public Comments

Issiah McKenzie- I'm glad to be here and feel glad to be able to help with the 7th and 8th grade cultural studies. Looking forward to working with the community.

Daphne Tadeo- I'm the new youth leader coordinator and ELA teacher. We are all so glad to be here and look forward to working with the youth.

8. Correspondence

1. none

9. Reports from committees

1. BPO Report (see attached)

Letters will be written from ASC to NWASBD regarding BPO issues

10. Principal reports (see attached)

A. Student Activities & Funds Update

NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MISSION: To provide a learning environment that inspires and challenges students and employees to excel
VISION: To graduate all students with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for a successful future



1. Purchase of stage system for school
 1. Continued until next meeting with more information
- B. Student Attendance & Enrollment
 1. See handout included in principal report
- C. Upcoming Events
 1. Cultural calendar development & community involvement
 2. Picture day Sept 6
 3. First cross country meet Sept 6 (Kiana)
11. Board Policy Review for Public Comment
 1. none
12. Items for Advisory School Council Consideration
 - A. Old Business
 - a. Attendance incentives
 - i. Need to raise money and determine when we will do them discussion will continue
 - B. New Business
 - a. Covid Protocols
 - i. IRA protocol is 5 days home, Tina will email copy.
 - b. Establishment of an Athletic Booster Club
 - i. Ask help with our local IRA council
 - c. School store supported by student activity funds
 - i. Approved by ASC
 - d. Purchase of stage system for school
 - i. table for next meeting
 - e. Semester exams & exemptions
 - i. Approved by ASC and have a report every other month on progress
 - f. Walk out discipline practice
 - i. Supported and approved by ASC
 - g. Phone discipline practice
 - i. Approved last school year and is working well
 - h. New tardy discipline practice
 - i. 3 tardies then must be in detention (approved by ASC)
 - i. Weighted grades
 - i. Weighted grades for categories so that grades more accurately reflect student achievement (approved by ASC)

13. Items for next meeting's agenda

1. To add a behavior plan for student athletes, also talk with parents at parent meeting

14. Public Comments

15. ASC member comments

1. Thank you

16. Time and Place of next meeting

1. Sept 17 at 4 PM

17. Approval of Minutes

Motion to Approve Min by T. Mills

Seconded by H. Booth

18. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 6:21

Principal's Report
August 2024

We are fully staffed! YAY!

Big goals this year are to have our focus be on school climate/culture, academic achievement, attendance, and cultural integration. I strongly feel that better integration of culture as well as engaging and meaningful lessons, will help with attendance. They will also help with behavior issues, students who are engaged are less disruptive.

Our school Climate Survey from last year was overwhelmingly positive, however there are things we need to address, and we plan on doing so.

Data from three years ago were low enough to put us into a category from the state called ADDITIONAL TARGETED SUPPORT AND IMPROVEMENT, which means we are required by law to work together to devise a plan to remedy this. The one category we were measured by is our ATTENDANCE. Fewer than 26 percent of our students do NOT qualify as Chronically Absent. Scores for reading and math were not factored in at this time due to a switch in the tests where adequate data for comparison is not available.

The School Improvement Grant process requires some extensive work and it has to be completed fairly quickly (End of September) so I will be reaching out to ASC and community members frequently over the next few weeks.

More info is attached.

Essentially, we need to improve our attendance AND our academic performance. This will mean holding teachers accountable for teaching in ways that benefit our students and holding students accountable for their jobs as learners.

THANK YOU!
Lori

ASC BPO REPORT
AUGUST 29, 2024

Playground:

I have requested new chains and swings for the swing set in prior years. Will be ordering again.

Main Building:

I've asked about why the hot water does not run as hot water should run. The hot water runs very hot and when it is on the cold water is also hot. We are told it is a "design issue", however the water used to function normally according to people who have worked in the building for a while.

(our kitchen staff has to boil water to do dishes and visitors in the building have to take either scalding hot or cold showers)

There are several walls with holes that need to be repaired with sheetrock and mud. One wall that almost the entire wall needs to be retextured.

The custodial washing machine door is stuck locked and is unusable.

In the Apartments:

The larger house "the principal's house", got a new heater last year but it keeps tripping out. It ran fine until it started back up this year. It is potentially a fuel issue that when all of the houses start using fuel it does not get sufficient fuel as it is furthest from the fuel tank and so it gets fuel last.

Generator: The back up generator has 2 alarms, this has been reported to Brandon, the Low Temp Coolant and Low fuel alarms frequently go off. Also the auto start to fill the day tank is inoperable and the tank has to be filled manually when it is low.

Fire system: Brian from fire protection is still working on the waterline break under the gym and to seal the leak on the fire pump.

Lift Stations: the commons area lift station still will not operate in Auto, we must manually pump the lift station daily.

The new lift station at the teacher apartments needs skirting and the foundation needs attention. The building is resting on floor joists from the manhole and is leaning frontwards. The lift station needs an electrical upgrade and the interior walls and insulation need to be replaced. The were waterlogged with sewage water prior to the lift station being replaced. The interior has old sewage and mold throughout.

One bedroom Duplex: One washing machine is inoperable. There is a hole in the gasket, it leaks water, maintenance has sent the wrong size gasket twice.

Classrooms: room 116 has doorknob that needs to be replaced but we have no "core key" to replace it.

There are several sets of mini blinds that need to be replaced. They have been requested. The originals that came are too short for the windows and don't cover them. Maintenance was notified that they were too short.

Front boys bathroom door off stall. Have ordered hinges for it twice.



NAPAAQTUGMIUT SCHOOL ADVISORY SCHOOL COUNCIL

Noatak ASC
Noatak, AK 99761

NWASB
Box 51
Kotzebue, AK 99752

Dear NWASB,

In a recent meeting it was brought to our attention that the house designated as the "principal's house", which is occupied by two of our teachers, has constant issues with their heating system.

According to our site's BPO the heat system was replaced last year with a new unit. Since it has been replaced it worked great for the remainder of the winter. However, as we have started to cool off again it is struggling to heat the house again. The unit is frequently "tripping" and not heating the house. It was working great until summer and since it has been put back into use it just won't stay working regularly.

Our BPO and other locals who work with similar systems believe the issue may partially come from the fact that the unit is so far away from the fuel tank. It shares a line with other units and is the last to "get" fuel along the pipeline. We would like you to consider adding an additional, independent, line to the fuel tank simply to supply that house. We believe that part of the struggle the unit has is that the fuel pressure isn't steady due to sharing the line. Please consider addressing this situation before the winter cold really moves in.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Christina Miller, Head of School
Noatak ASC



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September 3, 2024

Noatak ASC
Noatak, AK 99761

NWASB
Box 51
Kotzebue, AK 99752

Dear NWASB,

In a recent ASC meeting the BPO report revealed that the hot water system in our school building is not working correctly. If the hot water is "on" all the water in the building runs extremely hot and it is virtually impossible to moderate the water temperature. If it is not "on", then all water is cold.

The BPO has been told that this is a "system design" issue, however, there are plenty of people in the village who remember when the building had hot and cold running water. One of our ASC members used to work in the building and knows that it is not an original design issue. It seems that there has been a repair at some point in time that made it so that we don't have access to hot and cold water at the same time. It is an either-or situation.

We find this to be unacceptable. Students need access to warm water for handwashing, people who are visiting and staying in our school need to be able to take a comfortable shower, and we found out that the kitchen staff has been boiling water to do dishes, since it is unsanitary to use cold water for dishes.

We would like to ask that this issue be addressed immediately.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Christina Muel

The Noatak ASC