AASB Report NWABSD April 10-11, 2023

Since the last Board of Education meeting, several Executive Committee and Special AASB board meetings were held to approve grant applications and approval to seat a board member.

March 13, 2023 the Executive Committee agenda included the Advocacy Update and the approval to submit a proposal for the Congressionally Directed Spending Request to Senator Murkowski to improve postsecondary outcomes.

January 4, 2023 a Special board meeting was held to appoint Wally Gust to the AASB Board of Directors for a one-year term.

As the AASB President, I attended the NSBA Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida with Pete Hoepfner, Past AASB President & NSBA BOD, Dana Mock, AASB Board Secretary/Treasurer, Mike Swain, Chair of American Indian Alaska Native Committee, and Lon Garrison AASB Executive Director.

The Voting Delegates Assembly was held Friday, March 31. 2023. After a delay in starting the meeting due to the voting technology glitch, the meeting reconvened to vote by show of hands. The main agenda was on the proposed bylaw changes which were approved.

April 1-3, attended the concurrent sessions, the general sessions, the National American Indian & Alaska Native Council Luncheon, and the Pacific Region meeting. Due to a number of side meetings, I had to attend, I was able to Curriculum Adoption and the Science of Reading, National School Law News Every Public School Leader Should Know, Empowering All Schools through the Continuous Improvement Process, An Indigenous Community Rebrands its Schools and Shows Progress and Digitalizing EdCamps: Connecting to Innovate and Professionally Develop.

There were Preconference Workshops and many, many concurrent sessions held throughout the four days and it was very unfortunate, only one board member attended. AASB paid for my travel and hotel, so I am grateful I was able to attend. I was impressed with the concurrent sessions for this year's NSBA Annual Conference.

The next AASB BODs meeting will be held April 14-15th in Anchorage. The agenda includes board and staff reports since the November regular board meeting, including the planning for the 2023 Annual Conference. November 9-12, 2023 at the Anchorage Hilton. Jenni Lefing will report on the results/input of the 2022 conference and the board will review suggested topic ideas of interest to boards and their members during the 2023-2024 school year.

I welcome your topics of interest and topic ideas for the November, 2023 AASB Annual Conference. Quyanaq.