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Board Report February 16th, 2022 Deidre Jenson

<u>Area Principal</u> (On-Island Outer-site Schools) All schools have either started or finished their winter benchmark testing for I-ready (Math and Reading) and MAP (Measures of Academic Progress). We have two teachers, Richard Spencer and Patrick Trischman, teaching virtually to a few sites.

Professional Development: We held a virtual in-service on January 7th due to poor road conditions and difficult weather. Topics covered, but not limited to, were Google tech training presented by Ryan Stanley from SERRC, mandatory reporting with our SERRC counseling Consultant, Leslie Scranton, Talent Ed training presented by Karen Clark in payroll, and collaboration group: pre-K staff, elementary teachers, middle School/high school teachers.

***Barry C Stewart Kasaan School:** Students are very excited to be back to school in-person after a week of remote learning. Absences like this, really emphasize the importance for students to connect with each other and learn together.

***Hollis School:** This week is the first week they have everyone here in over 2 months! They are very appreciative of the maintenance personnel that keeps them warm, watered, and functioning. They have several vacancies at the school, so they are asking for stakeholders to encourage people to apply!

***Howard Valentine Coffman Cove School:** Students and staff in Coffman are adjusting to the changes; Ms. Collins moved to Naukati, new virtual teachers, and new classified staff. Ms. Judy Adamson deserves recognition for her longevity in our district. Thank you, Ms. Judy for your commitment to our students and the school!

*Naukati School: Like Kasaan, the Wildcats are very excited to be back to school in-person after a week of remote learning. Their building is bustling with students and every nook and cranny is being used. Tracey Thomas has been hired as a long-term sub special education teacher and resides in Naukati, working there daily with visits to Whale Pass and Coffman Cove. Wildcats have had a middle school wrestling team traveling to Ketchikan, archers practicing daily and competing in Thorne Bay, and they are hoping to have a middle school volleyball team. They are hosting a district-wide dance and hope to have a good turn out!

***Whale Pass:** The island has had a hard winter and Whale Pass got the most snow this year. They weathered it well, however, the snow took its toll on buildings, which will be repaired as priorities arise. Middle school and high school students worked hard to help move snow as community service and continue to work hard in their classes. They have also stayed healthy with excellent attendance. Whale Pass is planning and looking forward to the board meeting occurring in Whale Pass in April.

Sincerely,

Deidre Jenson, Area Principal