

## **Port Alexander ASC**

# **Month of \_\_\_\_\_ January \_\_\_\_\_ Meeting**

**Date/Time: January 9, 2023**

**Attendance: Molly, Julia, Shanna, Deb, Michalea**

**Meeting called to order by:** Molly at 3:36pm

**Motion to approve minutes :** Deb first, Shanna second - AIF passed

### **Reports:**

**District Office: Out of town attending a conference.**

#### **Teachers -**

See attached

**Treasurer:** Balance - \$6,208.71

**Student Council:** NA

### **Old Business from November:**

- January BINGO - January 13, 2023- \$150 was donated to the school.

### **New Business:**

- Plastic/Trash - Should we burn the large amount, or should we send it to town on the Eyak and have Kristina (Ocean Conservancy) pick it up to bring to Sitka Recycling? We decided to meet at 1:30 on Saturday, January 15, 2023 to haul to dock. Many community members helped and made light work!
- Emergency Plan/Tsunami Skiff list - Skiff 1 - Julia, IRa, Kylie, Jens, Edith; Skiff 2 - Martins-Torin; Skiff 3 - Shanna/Paul as backup.
- Super Bowl Pizzas- Fundraiser for school. We get together and make superbowl pizzas. We will Make on Thursday and Friday, and deliver on Friday before Superbowl. Feb 12th. In the past, we charged \$22 for 2 or more, or \$25 for single pizza.
- Bazaar Report/Calendar/Wreaths - We are still getting checks in the mail for calendars.
- AAATTSA 2023- Meeting January 17 from 4:00-5:00pm
- Maintenance Request for lights in kitchen - Julia need to do!

**Comments:**

Julia needs to get invoice to PA ASC to get reimbursed for Whalefest.

Michalea wants to plan a poetry night in February sometime. There was a reminder about the Literacy Grant Parent Engagement and Battle of the Books Job Posting. Michaela applied for the position.

**Adjournment:** First \_\_\_\_Shanna\_\_\_\_ \_Second\_ \_Michalea\_\_\_\_ AIF passed Time: \_\_4:11pm\_\_

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## K-12 Grade

It's hard to believe that we are already moving through the year 2023! Our students had a wonderful break celebrating with friends and family! Days are only getting longer, and the spirits are up!



In December, along with many busy academic responsibilities, students worked diligently at perfecting their Christmas Program! Students sang three songs, and created a “Rudolf the Red-nosed Reindeer” video. We had

a great turn-out at our community hall. First, we had the concert, then PA Santa came for all the kids, then we had a community potluck. Great food, great company, and great laughs were shared by all!

Coming back to school after the holiday was

challenging because the

teachers were sick from traveling over Christmas break; but, everyone is healthy and ready to put both paddles forward into the 2023 school year!



We continue having an amazing parent volunteer that comes into the school to teach Small Engine Repair with our 7th grade student for the last hour of the day. The student is hoping to use his knowledge to fix his own outboard motor, as well as maybe make a go-cart of some kind.



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The elementary teacher is eager to get started on testing Dibbles to see where our students stand in reading.

In middle school physical science, we are going to start a Kemtec unit on “Building a Radio”

We have been in contact with Amy Bishop, a seal-watching scientist from the 2022 Whalefest Seminars. She is going to help guide us in studying the population of harbor seals in Port Alexander to figure out whether the population is too high/low/normal. We will get to work directly with Amy as well as some technology she has used in the past and some new technology she'd like to try out with us! Students will help gather data on the harbor seals, as well as gather the environmental data. It's exciting to get the opportunity to be a biologist intern in elementary and middle

school rather than in college.

Lastly, I want to give a shout-out to our volunteers and staff in PA! We wouldn't be able to do it all without everyone's volunteered time, hard work, and brilliant minds! Thank you!

**Goals that we are meeting:**

- 1. Prepare students for postsecondary life - successfully reading in school - building positive relationships in school.
- 2. Provide sufficient and effective staff support - We have community volunteers as well as adequate staffing for all the different levels that need to be met.

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- 3. Increase communication district and community wide - we are in close contact with admin planning for next year.
  - 4. Increase visibility to share lifestyle and increase enrollment - Happy kids create positive experiences, which has helped two possible families moving here to PA next year.