



NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Robyn Burke, President
Members of the School Board

THROUGH: Board of Education Legislative Committee

THROUGH: David Vadiveloo, Chief School Administrator DSV
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FROM: Chelsie Overby, Board Secretary

DATE: September 12, 2023

SUBJECT: Association of Alaska School Boards
Resolutions

Memo No: SB24-033
(Action Item)

NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:

2.0 Community Engagement: Foster collective responsibility, commitment, and trust between the school and community.

Issue Summary:

The Association of Alaska School Boards (AASB) is soliciting resolutions, resolution amendments, and comments from local school boards for consideration at the 2023 Annual Conference on November 9-12, 2023 in the Anchorage Hilton Hotel. The deadline to submit resolutions is October 10, 2023.

The Legislative Committee did not recommend any new resolutions or amendments at this time; however, is recommending administration identify the original district author of Resolution 5.9, Urging flexibility in testing requirements to support indigenous language programs, and propose additional language providing data and solutions supporting the resolution. With the deadline to submit resolutions and amendments occurring before the next regular meeting, the recommendation is to authorize the committee final approval of resolutions and/or amendments for the AASB Where We Stand draft submission for the delegate assembly of AASB.

As the resolutions guide AASB for the coming year in the upcoming legislative session, the committee also identified the following resolutions for priorities:

Governance

1.11 Recognition of Chronic Absenteeism and Truancy in The Role of Education

1.13 Land Acknowledgement

Funding

2.1 Sustained, reliable, and adequate educational funding for Alaska Students through a nonvolatile funding source

2.8 Following the Capital Improvement Project Priority List for Non-Bonded Projects

2.41 Funding for Internet Services

2.55 Urging Dedicated Funding Outside the Foundation Funding Formula

2.64 Base Student Allocation Increase: Making Up for Lost Ground Due to Inflation

Child Advocacy

3.2 Promoting Student Success Through Social and Emotional Learning and Positive Youth Development and Support

3.3 Fetal Alcohol and Drug Exposed Students

3.10 Support of State Funding for Student Health Services in Alaska

- 3.26 Supporting the Adoption of Trauma-Informed and Culturally Relevant Practices to Improve Student Achievement and Reduce Behavioral Deficits for All Alaskan Students
- 3.28 Education on The Dangers of Tobacco, Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems, Marijuana Use and Secondhand Smoke
- 3.30 Safe and Inclusive Learning Environments for LGBTQ+ Students

Personnel

- 4.5 Addressing the Teacher, Specialist, and Administrator Shortage
- 4.6 Repeal the Social Security Government Pension Offset and Windfall Eliminating Provision
- 4.7 Relating to Defined Benefit Retirement
- 4.16 Supporting Effective, Culturally-Integrated Pedagogy in Alaska

Education Programming

- 5.3 Alaska Native Indigenous Language Program Development
- 5.7 Requesting the State to Provide Standards-based Assessments in Alaska Native indigenous languages
- 5.9 Urging flexibility in testing requirements to support indigenous language programs
- 5.10 Supporting universal access to education for Alaska's 3- and 4-year-old learners
- 5.28 Supporting the Preservation and Restoration Of Alaska Native Indigenous Languages
- 5.30 Requesting A Thorough Analysis of The Statewide Testing and Accountability System
- 5.31 Alaska Standards for Culturally Responsive Schools

Background:

The resolution committee will meet on Thursday, November 9, 2023 to review the resolutions to be adopted by the membership at the Delegate Assembly on November 12, 2023.

AASB asks each school board to carefully review the resolutions packet and advance only those resolutions or amendments that they deem necessary. The AASB Board of Directors recommended the renewal of all resolutions currently scheduled to sunset and are not recommending any new resolutions. The resolution submissions from across the state will be available for review beginning Saturday, October 21, 2023, 20 days before the annual conference. Only the title and resolution are voted on by the AASB membership, not the rationale.

Recommendation:

The Legislative Committee is recommending administration identify the original district author of Resolution 5.9, Urging flexibility in testing requirements to support indigenous language programs, and authorize the committee final approval of resolutions and/or amendments for the AASB Where We Stand draft submission for the delegate assembly of AASB.

Proposed Motion:

"I move that the NSBSD Board of Education authorize the Legislative Committee final approval of resolutions and/or amendments for the AASB Where We Stand draft submission for the delegate assembly of AASB and direct administration to identify the original district author of Resolution 5.9, Urging flexibility in testing requirements to support indigenous language programs, and discuss additional language providing data and solutions supporting the resolution."

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Advisory Vote _____ Vote _____

Signature: Ds Vadiveloo
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