



KIANA SCHOOL

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Kiana Advisory School Council Meeting Agenda September 4, 2024 – Library 12:00 noon

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Kiana Advisory School Council
Meeting Minutes
9/4/24

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1. Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 12:18pm by Victoria Morris, filling in for Delores Barr.

2. Roll Call:

Members Present: Naomi Chappel, Jeanette Barr, Victoria Morris

Called in: Delores Barr

Excused: Ely Cyrus

3. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance:

Moment of silence observed, and Pledge of Allegiance said in English.

4. Introduction of Guests:

No guests.

5. Approval of Agenda:

Changes: James adds in item number 10f. Hunting.

MOTION: Delores Barr made a motion to approve the changes in this agenda.

Seconded by Naomi Chappel.

6. Approval of minutes from 8/14/24:

Naomi asks that the additional items added in the last agenda should be added into the minutes as well and offers pending the approval for additional items to be added to the previous meeting minutes.

MOTION: Naomi Chappel made a motion to approve agenda with pending approval of additional items. Seconded by Jeanette Barr.

7. Public Comments:

No public comments

Victoria suggests that Lynn Smith sends out a group text to all the family members that are on the roster to remind them about the ASC meeting or post on the school Facebook page.

8. Correspondence:

No correspondence received.

9. Report from Councils:

Naomi did not attend the last meeting.

Delores says the Northwest Arctic Borough Assembly held their first assembly meeting in Kivalina on the 27th. It was a great turnout a bunch of people came and raised their concerns.

James shared that he attended the meeting to discuss the funds that were given from the district to the tribe. Kevin Black offers hunting caribou for the students to process. Tribe already bought knives and couple of tarps for this activity. He also mentions NANA, Maniilaq, the Borough, and the school district will be meeting on the 25th and the 26th in Kotzebue and possibly on TEAMS.

10. Principals Report:

a. Uniforms and equipment:

Cross-country uniforms may not come in on time this year, they will be using the volleyball uniforms instead. The school still plans on ordering the cross-country uniforms to use next year. Cross country warmups and a 10x10 tent have come in. NANA left a bunch of folding chairs. The school gave out chairs to most organizations who would take them, leaving the school with about 66/250 chairs they also have a new chair rack.

b. Board policy and administrative regulations:

BP8130 Vacancies: James quotes BP8130 to answer Naomi's question at the previous ASC meeting, "If a council member is physically absent from the attendance area or removed from office a vacancy on the Advisory School Council may occur." BP8130 also states, "Should an Advisory School Council member be absent from three consecutive regular meetings without prior excuse by the President the Advisory School Council may remove the member from office." Naomi mentions normally there is an excusal submitted and at the meeting it is discussed. James says it should and will be authorized by the president first. Delores agrees with these procedures. Naomi asks if they should have an excusal form for documentation. James says it may not be necessary since the group texts is just enough.

BP8320 Meetings: it basically says that the ASC members must comply with the open meeting laws. James talks about flyers that have been put up in public buildings around Kiana about the meeting. It is recommended to post the flyers 10 days before, but board policies require 5. Naomi says an excusal should be presented 10-5 days before the meeting as well.

AR8320 Meetings: the second page shows the agenda which explains why this agenda is written differently.

Any of these are available on the district home page under 'School Board' click on Board Policies which will direct you to all the BPs and ARs.

c. Laptops:

The district allows high school students take laptops home but if the laptop is broken, they will not allow that student to take it home until the fines are paid. Kiana has 16 of their high schoolers break their laptops last year. Shungnak and Noorvik doesn't allow their students take laptops home and faced not a single breakage. If a kid has assignments where a laptop is needed at home, then they can sign it out for that day. Another issue is when they take their laptop, they will connect their phones which bypasses the safety allowing them to download inappropriate videos and music. The school would like to take away the privilege of having their laptops home unless it's school related. Delores asks if this will also penalize the students who do take care of the laptops at home, James says it will. Naomi says teachers should communicate how many of their class students do need that extra time away from class to work on assignments and if they do is there are tutors or an afterschool club for homework. James says that would start real soon through EDCs.

d. Attendance:

Kiana attendance is right back into that 70 something percent, that doesn't include recent dropouts, Galena transfers and the couple seniors who have full-time jobs now. James suggests buddying students with good attendance with the poor attendance students to have them persuade those students into getting in the habit of attending school. Naomi says she thinks that's a good idea and should educate them on how this involves our Inupiat ilitqusait.

e. Handbooks:

James presented the student/parent and staff handbooks to ASC members to have.

f. Hunting:

He asks ASC how they feel about the arctic resource management class going out hunting and taking a gun, although he has not gone over this with the district yet consider the rules and regulations they may have. Naomi suggests picking up the gun on the way out to hunt and Victoria says she'd

prefer an adult who is proficient in gun-handling to be with the students. Arctic Resource Management has about 7 students. Naomi says the class should have another adult volunteer to help during the hunt. Victoria also suggests that Ronnie should set up a gun-safety class and ask Maniilaq to send gun-safety equipment/supplies to help with that class.

11. Items for Advisory School Council Consideration:

a. Old business:

No old business to discuss.

b. New Business:

MOTION: Delores Barr made a motion to approve keeping laptops at school unless it's for legitimate educational purposes and if the parent/teacher approves. Seconded by Naomi Chappel.

i. Faculty Use Permits:

Ratify River of life Church's use of the gym on August 30-31st at 9:30pm - 11:30pm.

MOTION: Naomi Chappel made a motion to ratify Kitty Baldwin's use of the gym and cafeteria. Seconded by Jeanette Barr.

Ratify Kitty Baldwin's family's use of the gym and cafeteria on August 16 from 11:00am - 6:00pm.

MOTION: Naomi Chappel made the motion to ratify Kitty Baldwin's use of the gym and cafeteria. Seconded by Jeanette Barr.

Approval for Teck's annual village visit use of the gym and cafeteria on September 4 at 1:00pm – 5:00pm.

MOTION: Naomi Chappel made a motion to approve Teck's use of the gym and cafeteria. Seconded by Delores Barr.

Discussion: Naomi says approved with the understanding or the notification back to Teck that all organizations outside of the school district need to follow the same policies. These policies are in place for a reason.

Approval for Kiana Baptist Church's use of the gym and Home Ec. Room on 10/31/24 from 5-10pm.

MOTION: Naomi Chappel made the motion to approve Kiana Baptist Church use of the gym and Home Ec. Room. Seconded by Jeanette Barr.

12. Public Comments:

No public comments.

13. ASC member comments:

Delores Barr mentions that we should announce the meeting on the VHF on the day of. Naomi says it also goes for the whole community also the suicide prevention team that's coming from BHS is on the 9th, 11th, and 12th. Delores also suggests announcing the Maniilaq behavioral health suicide prevention regional tour flyer. Victoria mentions the TECK flights are on hold due to weather.

14. Schedule next meeting:

October 2, 2024, at noon.

15. Adjournment:

MOTION: Jeanette Barr made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Delores Barr. Meeting adjourned at 1:18pm.