

MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education
Members

DATE: November 7, 2024

NUMBER: 25-029

FR: Office of the Superintendent

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution
25-002; Approval for
recommend to AASB
on the State Board
Appointment

ABSTRACT:

The administration requests approval of a Resolution supporting a resolution from AASB to the Governor and Alaska State Legislature on the appointments of State Board members representing specific judicial districts.

ISSUE:

The Alaska State Board of Education & Early Development board members are appointed by the Governor, confirmed by the Alaska State Legislature, and oversees the state's education system. Board members appointed to represent a specific judicial district should reside in that judicial district for adequate representation.

BACKGROUND AND/OR PERTINENT INFORMATION:

Appointments to the Alaska State Board of Education are outlined in AS 14.07.085. AS 14.07.085 provides that members of the board shall be appointed by the governor subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in a joint session. One member shall be appointed from each of the four judicial districts and three from the state at large, with at least one member representing regional education attendance areas. Appointees from a judicial district should reside in the district they represent as required by law to adequately represent the interests of the school districts within each judicial district. Representation from each judicial district provides balanced representation from all school districts across the state and is important for equal and fair representation.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Adopt Resolution 25-002 approving Resolution supporting AASB's recommendation to the Governor and Alaska State Legislature on the appointments of State Board members representing specific judicial districts.
2. Do not approve Resolution 25-002 supporting AASB's recommendation to the Governor and Alaska State Legislature on the appointments of State Board members representing specific judicial districts.
3. Take no action.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION

1. The administration recommends the Board adopt the Resolution supporting AASB's recommendation to the Governor and Alaska State Legislature on the appointments of State Board members representing specific judicial districts.

A RESOLUTION OF

Northwest Arctic Borough School District Board of Education

Resolution 25- 002

A Resolution of the School Board of Education of the Northwest Arctic Borough School District supporting AASB's recommendation to the Governor and Alaska State Legislature on the appointments of State Board members representing specific judicial districts.

WHEREAS, Appointments to the Alaska State Board of Education are outlined in AS 14.07.085. AS 14.07.085 provides that members of the board shall be appointed by the governor subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session.

WHEREAS, One member shall be appointed from each of the four judicial districts and three from the state at large, with at least one member representing regional education attendance areas.

WHEREAS, Appointees from a judicial district should reside in the district they represent as required by law and to adequately represent the interests of the school districts within each judicial district.

WHEREAS, Representation from each judicial district provides balanced representation from all school districts across the state and is important for equal and fair representation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Northwest Arctic Borough School District, supports the mission and vision of the Alaska State Board of Education & Early Development and encourages AASB to support that Board members that are appointed to represent a specific judicial district reside in that judicial district for adequate representation.

ADOPTED, November 7, 2024 at a duly convened meeting of the Northwest Arctic Borough School District Board of Education at which a quorum was present and voting:

ATTEST:

Magaret Hansen, NWABSD Board President

Tillie Ticket, NWABSD Secretary