

LSAC Agenda Tanalian School

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

6:30 PM

- I. Call to Order – 6:30
- II. Roll Call – Matthew Grossmann, Darcy Lorentzen, Sarah Wardell, Heidi Wilder, Kacy Leyba, Patti Brock, Brandey Voran, Leo Fowler, Eric Davidson, Nicole Metzgar, McKenna Oesterle.
- III. Student Presentations
 - a. Mikiah Lorentzen – North Dakota – worked at Faulkner’s Market for 66 hours and 45 minutes. Planted seeds. Worked with her niece. Also did restocking in the store. Restocking was always a job to do. Cared for flowers and plants. Maintained healthy plant appearance. Favorite part of the job was clerking. Enjoyed interactions with the customers. Kept the market tidy. Unloaded new shipment of plants. Assisted customers by answering business calls. Learned by asking questions and watching. Gained confidence. 2nd job was branding ranch work. Worked 10 hours total. Started by doing round ups, then sorting when the cows were in the corrals. Then flanking (getting the calf tied up). This is when they can be branded. Also vaccinated calves. Each needed 2 vaccinations. Learned about being aware of surroundings and being diligent.
 - b. Hazel Metzgar – played little league softball in Juneau. Played regular season and all-star season. Pitched and played 3rd base. All star team played Sitka and Ketchikan in district and got to play state against an Anchorage team. Got to go to California to play nationals against Oregon and Washington. Hazel passed around pens that she got to trade with other teams. Team was on ESPN. Played a total of 137 hours.
 - c. Jordan Alsworth – worked at Farm Lodge at Lake Clark Resort from June 3 - Aug. 31 a total of 281.62 hrs. Learned how to work with others that worked differently and how to be hospitable with guests, cleaned 10 cabins. Had a list of tasks to do each time. Cleaned daily when guests were gone. Served and prepared breakfast and dinner for guests.
- IV. Approval of Minutes – Darcy made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 5, 2023 meeting. Eric 2nd, all approved.
- V. Communications

a. Principal's Report – enrollment at 38. We would have 5 more kids if there was housing. Cross country is up and has been running since August 18th. Younger team this year. Headed to Palmer this weekend. Top 10 go to state since we combined our region with Dillingham/SWRSD's for a new region. Volleyball starts tonight and goes through December. Large tournament this fall. Looking for a ladies' basketball coach. Big push is K-3rd for Alaska Reads. Act passed 18 months ago. New screening tools. Goal is having every kid reading at level or above by 3rd grade. School lets parents know if kids are not reaching this goal. No Maps Reading this year for K-2, but new reports that come with interventions in addition to reading class to build reading skills. Wednesdays - new professional development for teachers teaching reading to help with the new program. 90 minutes each Wednesday. Reading Club for students while teachers are being trained. Add Alaska Reads to the agenda going forward. So thankful for flexible teachers this year. After losing teacher Branden Hummel from last year, everyone is stretching and supporting each other.

b. Teachers' Report –

- i. Kacy Leyba – counseling – getting PSAT scheduled for 10 and 11 grades. Oct 26 possible date. Juniors and Seniors grad plans.
- ii. Matthew Grossmann – new things this year, teaching multiple ages. Engineering standard - building cardboard boats for racing on the bay. Building smaller ones to check how well they float. Doing calculations to figure this out. Learning new terms (buoyancy). Students get duct tape, hot glue, cardboard, and garbage bag to race. Getting rolling and hitting routines in math classes.
- iii. Sarah Wardell – special ed part time in the mornings – 6 students grade 4-11. Also attending/supporting in a high school writing class.
- iv. Patti Brock – students full of energy every day! 9 in the morning and 4 in the afternoon. Getting ready to do the Alaska reads test. Benchmark test is a 1 on 1 test. Every 2 weeks after that there will be a performance test. This repeats to stay on top of their reading.

- v. Brandey Voran – 2nd - 5th grade in morning then 4th – 5th until noon, then high school geometry then back to elementary for afternoons. Kids are doing good with the schedule. Geometry has fully jumped in. Pretty intense with lots of homework. 7-8:30 math night on Sunday nights at the Voran house. New students this year, so learning new routines. Students are doing great. Elementary students are making a machine that will travel across a desk. Social Studies doing salt maps. New student teacher – McKenna – will start teaching some units this week. Kids love her.
- vi. McKenna – kids are sweet. Very different from where she came from!
- vii. Nicole Metzgar – teaching half time and curriculum the other half. Reading, writing and world history teaching. Started with a song writing unit. Have had some teachers come and share song writing. Reading will start with Romeo and Juliet.
- viii. Nate- teaching a business math class. One activity: Stock Market Game.
- ix. Cam – teaching JR high and 3rd grade. All teachers work together to fill in the gaps.
- c. Correspondence – Alaska reads being added to agenda going forward.
- d. Maintenance Report – district wide looking for help. 2 guys keeping 11 schools going but falling behind. PTA incinerator is back up and working.
- e. Technology Report – everything seems to be working. Something new on the roof, but not sure what it is. Internet speed has been fine.
- f. Student Government Report- Mrs. Brock – main agenda is getting banners taken care of, renewing, and finding new people to purchase banners. Getting ready to restock Lynx Lair. Have had one meeting. Students want to get trained to make coffee. Would like to talk to Properly Ground for a training day.
- g. Financial Report- Nate – found cookbooks to sell remaining copies for old-time LSAC fundraiser. See attached financials.

- h. Public Comments - none
- VI. Old Business
 - a. HB 105: need to add back into the agenda as still in process at State level.
- VII. New Business
 - a. Battle of the books list is available in the office. Classes are moving forward on BOB but up to parents if the student participates.
 - b. Leo on ballot for Seat C for school board. Election in November.
- VIII. Next Meeting – Oct. 4th, 6:30p
- I. Adjournment – motion to adjourn by Leo, Elisha 2nd , all approve at 7:38.