



**SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 19, 2023**

## MINUTES

Location: remotely via Zoom

### CALL TO ORDER

Board President Shannon Silverthorn called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

### ROLL CALL

Risa Carlson, Sandy Curtis, Molly Kimzey, Shannon Silverthorn, and William Tyrell attended via audio/video conference.

Quorum: yes

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion:** Approve the agenda

**By:** Curtis

**Second:** yes

**Board Vote:** Yea: 5; Nay: 0

**Resolved:** passed

### WELCOME TO VISITORS

Board President Shannon Silverthorn welcomed visitors: Shaine Nixon, Melissa Dougherty, Christi Nixon, Debbie Fehr, Tia Christopherson, Laura Anania, Branzon Anania, Amy McDonald, Nate Freeman, Karen Freese, Andy Cook, Astrid Cook, Elisa Rosier, Lucienne Smith, Kara McCoy. Mike Congdon joined after the welcome.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Board President Shannon Silverthorn invited the candidates to share information about themselves. Debbie Fehr and William Tyrell both shared information.

Rod Morrison spoke about the bomb threat incident at the district schools and discussed the upcoming crisis plan revisions and follow-up to the incident. Melissa Dougherty commented about the incident and follow-up with students. Amy McDonald commented about the incident and staff/administrative response. Elisa Rosier commented about the incident and parent contact procedures.

## APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion:** Pass the consent agenda [including the 8/30/23 regular meeting minutes; the September financial report; FY 2024 classified employment for Lyric Davenport-Adkison, Terri Kohn, and Bradley Fox-Trudeau (pending receipt of required documentation); FY 2024 extracurricular contracts for Michelle Dempsey, Ernest Jones; and FY 2024 extra-duty contract for Cassandra Christopherson]

**By:** Carlson

**Second:** yes

**Board Vote:** Yea: 5; Nay: 0

**Resolved:** passed

## ADMINISTRATIVE/BOARD REPORTS

Rod Morrison gave the Superintendent's report. Topics included: stakeholder engagement activities, recent training, the crisis plan update process, special education support services, staff evaluation and evaluation tool, Hollis ribbon cutting, food service inspection, upcoming events, and achievements/celebrations. Superintendent Morrison then invited each department and school to share highlights of their reports.

Area Principal/Activities Director Shaine Nixon shared information about moving into the new Hollis School, middle school basketball, crisis plan development, and mClass training. Mike Congdon shared information about Barry Craig Stewart Kasaan School including plans to work with the Organized Village of Kasaan, classes, swimming, activities, and WhaleFest. Melissa Dougherty shared information about Howard Valentine Coffman Cove School including a school potluck, ASC meetings, field trips, community service, activities, and classes. Laura Anania shared information about Naukati School including student population, expectations, fundraising, activities, staff, and classes. Andy Cook shared a video from Whale Pass School that had been prepared for the School Board. Principal Nate Freeman shared information about Thorne Bay School including school environment, staff, school reputation, school meet & greet, activities, communication, graduation requirements, classes, course descriptions, and achievements/celebrations. Maintenance Director Branzon Anania provided feedback about Hollis water system and certification requirements. State & Federal Programs/Grants Coordinator Astrid Richard-Cook shared information Title grants, the Indian Ed grant, a housing grant, equipment grants, and other grant opportunities.

Lucienne Smith gave the Business Manager's report. Topics included: the FY 2023 financial audit, upcoming budget revision, E-rate, and grants carryover.

## BUSINESS ITEMS

**Motion:** Approve the Addendum to the MOA [FY 2024 Professional Services Contract with Nyquest4Kids for Special Education Director and Mentoring Services]

**By:** Kimzey

**Second:** yes  
**Board Vote:** Yea: 5; Nay: 0  
**Resolved:** passed

**Motion:** Move to 2nd reading Board Policy 3542, Roles and Duties of Bus Drivers with Option 1

**By:** Kimzey  
**Second:** yes  
**Board Vote:** Yea: 5; Nay: 0  
**Resolved:** passed

**Motion:** Move Board Policy 5116.1, Enrollment of Out-of-District Students to a 2nd reading

**By:** Curtis  
**Second:** yes  
**Board Vote:** Yea: 5; Nay: 0  
**Resolved:** passed

**Motion:** Approve the Memorandum of Agreement between SISD and the Hollis Public Library

**By:** Kimzey  
**Second:** yes  
**Board Vote:** Yea: 4; Nay: 0; Abstain: 1  
**Resolved:** passed

**Motion:** Approve the 2023-2024 Student Handbook with Addendum 1: Use of School Safety Video Surveillance Monitoring Systems.

**By:** Curtis  
**Second:** yes  
**Board Vote:** Yea: 5; Nay: 0  
**Resolved:** passed

**Motion:** Approve the AK-TRAILS Handbook for FY 2023-2024

**By:** Kimzey  
**Second:** yes  
**Board Vote:** Yea: 5; Nay: 0  
**Resolved:** passed

## **ADVANCE PLANNING**

The Board/Superintendent work session will be on October 5, 2023.

Strategic planning will October 5-6, 2023.

The next regular Board meeting will be on October 25, 2023, at 5:30 PM. A work session will precede the meeting at 4:30 PM.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Superintendent Rod Morrison recognized Risa Carlson for her service as a board member. Debbie Fehr commented on the Prince of Wales Island Food Bank. Laura Anania commented about staff retention.

**BOARD COMMENT**

Sandy Curtis commented regarding excitement for the school year. William Tyrell commented regarding the upcoming school year, information sharing, and activities. Shannon Silverthorn commented regarding the school year, school environment, and questions for the school board. Molly Kimzey commented regarding appreciation.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** *We adjourn*

**By:** *Kimzey*

**Second:** *yes*

**Board Vote:** *Yea: 5; Nay: 0*

**Resolved:** *passed*

**Time:** *7:22 PM*

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Shannon Silverthorn, Board President

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Sandy Curtis, Board Clerk

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