



SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING August 21, 2024

MINUTES

Location: Thorne Bay School, 1010 Sandy Beach Road, Thorne Bay, AK and
Audio/video conference via Zoom

CALL TO ORDER

Board Clerk Sandy Curtis called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Sandy Curtis, Debbie Fehr, and Tony Lovell attended in person. Molly Kimzey and Student Representative Tia Christopherson attended via audio/video conference. Shannon Silverthorn was absent.

Quorum: yes

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Approve the agenda

By: Lovell

Second: yes

Student Representative Vote: Yea: 1; Nay: 0

Board Vote: Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Resolved: motion passed

WELCOME TO VISITORS

Board Clerk Sandy Curtis welcomed visitors: Maria Santolupo, Cassandra Christopherson, Megan Christopherson, Brandy Prefontaine, Mackenzie Slayton, Karen Clark, Terri Kohn, Melissa Dougherty, Shaine Nixon, Christi Nixon, Scott Randall, John Stevens, Kara McCoy, Amanda Baker, Sophia Starkweather, Lisa Cates, Julie Vasquez, Steve Castor, Jose Vasquez, CJ Vasquez, David Keys, Hesperus Keys

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kara McCoy commented regarding inservice and working with the school district. John Stevens commented regarding the Classified Handbook change formatting, Terri Kohn commented regarding staff and the board.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Approve the consent agenda, including the May 15, 2024 regular meeting minutes; the June 28, 2024 special meeting minutes; the August 2024 financial report; and employment including FY 2025 administrator contract addendum for Astrid Richard-Cook; the FY 2025 teacher contract, pending receipt of required documentation, for Jay Mihal; FY 2025 teacher contract addendums for Lisa Cates, Cassandra Christopherson, Sharlet Collins, Michael Congdon, Anthony Cook, Sonya Cook, Steven Cunningham, Melissa Dougherty, Matthew Gore, Martha Hill, April Hoy, Philip Lusted, Donna Nixon, Mackenzie Slayton, Julia Trischman, Patrick Trischman, Julie Vasquez, Ginger White; FY 2025 lead teacher extra-duty contracts for Lisa Cates, Cassandra Christopherson, Michael Congdon, Anthony Cook, Mackenzie Slayton, Patrick Trischman, Julie Vasquez; FY 2025 Extra-duty contracts for Cassandra Christopherson, Anthony Cook, John Stevens; FY 2025 extracurricular contracts for Katherine Reynolds, Brandy Schmitz-Prefontaine; FY 2025 classified employment for Judy Adamson, Janie Wainscott, Amanda Baker, Nicholas Brazille, Amanda Hendrixson, Jessica West, Robert Deuel, Ernest Jones, Pamela Martensen, Shanna Smith, Paul Young, Tari Cook, Sarah Garrison, Joshua Hayes, Jack Nicholson, John Stevens, Michelle Dempsey, Peggy Dempsey, Scott Randall, Brandy Schmitz-Prefontaine.

By: Lovell

Second: yes

Student Representative Vote: Yea: 1; Nay: 0

Board Vote: Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Resolved: motion passed

ADMINISTRATIVE/BOARD REPORTS

Rod Morrison gave the Superintendent's report. Topics included: training and inservice, 1st day of school, staff longevity recognition, staffing, SISD website, and shout-out recognitions.

Superintendent Morrison then invited each department and school to share highlights of their reports.

Principal/Dean of Students Shaine Nixon share information projects, staff, inservice, meal prep, traveling to schools. AK-TRAILS Program Coordinator Cassandra Christopherson shared information about enrollments, learning plan progress, advertising, and the Handbook for AK-TRAILS. Lead Teacher Lisa Cates shared information about inservice, hiring, and events at Hollis School. Lead Teacher Cassandra Christopherson shared information about collaboration, getting ready for school, and staff help at Naukati School. Business Contractor Lucienne Smith welcomed staff. Greenhouse/Ag Program Manager Brandy Schmitz-Prefontaine shared a presentation about the Greenhouse/Agriculture program. Maintenance Director Scott Randall shared information about outstanding support, wood boiler training, boiler system maintenance, front stairs at Thorne Bay campus.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Motion: Approve Resolution 2025-01, a resolution in support of the Alaska Housing & Finance Corporation Grant Application.

By: Lovell

Second: yes

Student Representative Vote: Yea: 1; Nay: 0

Board Vote: Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Resolved: motion passed

Motion: Approve the purchase and installation of aluminum stairs for the Thorne Bay Campus, not to exceed \$18,000.

By: Lovell

Second: yes

Student Representative Vote: Yea: 1; Nay: 0

Board Vote: Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Resolved: motion passed

Motion: Approve the FY 2025 Handbooks, including the AK-TRAILS Handbook, the Classified Employee Handbook including new salary schedules, the Coaches & Chaperones Handbook, the Student/Parent Handbook, and the Teachers' Handbook.

By: Lovell

Second: yes

Student Representative Vote: Yea: 1; Nay: 0

Board Vote: Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Resolved: motion passed

Motion: Approve the service contract that are \$10 or more ie 11.d.1 FY 2025 professional services contract with More than Words for Speech and Language Pathology Services for \$40,460, along with 11.d.2 with Cindy Edes dba Koru Kids Pediatric Therapy, for Occupational Therapy Services for \$10,830.

By: Lovell

Second: yes

Student Representative Vote: Yea: 1; Nay: 0

Board Vote: Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Resolved: motion passed

Motion: Approve the FY 2026-2031 Six-year Capital Improvement Plan.

By: Lovell

Second: yes

Student Representative Vote: Yea: 1; Nay: 0

Board Vote: Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Resolved: motion passed

ADVANCE PLANNING

The next regular Board meeting will be in Port Alexander on September 19, 2024 [the date was later changed to September 23, 2024].

PUBLIC COMMENT

Hesperus Keys commented regarding the greenhouses.

BOARD COMMENT

Molly Kimzey commented regarding board seats and upcoming board seat vacancy. Debbie commented on the AASB Annual Conference. Tony Lovell commented on the housing grant. Sandy Curtis commented regarding the start of the school year.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: *We adjourn*

By: *Lovell*

Second: *yes*

Student Representative Vote: *Yea: 1; Nay: 0*

Board Vote: *Yea: 4; Nay: 0*

Resolved: *motion passed*

Time: *7:18 PM*

Shannon Silverthorn, Board President

Date

Sandy Curtis, Board Clerk

Date