



**SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**
Special Meeting
Wednesday, July 23, 2025

VISION STATEMENT

Students are equipped to realize their dreams and aspirations.

MISSION STATEMENT

Together we will foster student skills to achieve their goals and thrive in an ever-changing world.

AGENDA

MEETING: 10:30 AM
LOCATION: Audio/Video Conference
VIRTUAL URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84690226206?pwd=B3jlPKdmaNiiVDRKorwzQIH9nzc6lZ.1>

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
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Legal Reference:

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Resolution 2026-01

RESOLUTION URGING THE ALASKA LEGISLATURE TO OVERRIDE THE GOVERNOR'S VETOES AND RESTORE FULL FY2026 EDUCATION FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Southeast Island School District (SISD) is committed to delivering equitable, high-quality education to all students in our rural and remote communities across Southeast Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska State Legislature passed House Bill 57 with strong bipartisan support — exceeding a three-quarters majority — to raise the Base Student Allocation (BSA) by \$700 per student for FY2026, acknowledging the urgent and unmet fiscal needs of school districts statewide; and

WHEREAS, Governor Mike Dunleavy's veto of more than \$51 million in BSA formula funding — a 28.6% reduction from the statutory increase — represents an unprecedented action that undermines the Legislature's constitutional duty to "establish and maintain a system of public education" and violates the spirit and intent of Alaska's public education statutes; and

WHEREAS, the vetoed reduction, coupled with the expiration of last year's one-time education funding, effectively amounts to a 26.5% decrease in operational revenue for districts across the state, including SISD, which will result in the elimination of critical academic programs, increases in class sizes, reductions in staffing, and potential school closures; and

WHEREAS, the governor also vetoed:

- \$25 million in urgently needed school facility maintenance funds,
- \$5.7 million for early learning programs, and
- Nearly \$1 million allocated for teacher recruitment and retention; and

WHEREAS, these compounded cuts severely hinder local school districts' ability to serve their students, preserve community-based schooling, and attract and retain high-quality educators in Alaska — all of which are essential for the long-term well-being and economic vitality of our state;

WHEREAS, this is the first time since the BSA was enacted in 1999 that a governor has unilaterally rejected the education formula funding agreed upon by the Legislature, creating a climate of financial instability and political overreach;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southeast Island School District respectfully but firmly urges the Alaska State Legislature to reconvene at the earliest possible opportunity to override Governor Dunleavy’s vetoes of FY2026 education funding;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature must act to uphold its constitutional responsibilities and restore full funding for the Base Student Allocation, early learning initiatives, educator support, and essential capital maintenance to ensure continuity and excellence in public education for all Alaskan students;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Southeast Island School District joins the Association of Alaska School Boards (AASB) in denouncing these harmful vetoes, and pledges to collaborate with other districts, policymakers, and communities to document the real-life consequences of underfunding education, advocate for responsible governance, and reaffirm Alaska’s promise to its children.

ADOPTED July 23, 2025, at a duly convened meeting of the Southeast Island School District Board of Education at which a quorum was present and voting.

Anthony Lovell
SISD Board President

Attested: _____
Molly Kimzey
SISD Board Clerk



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Resolution 2026-02

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF MODULAR HOUSING UNITS THROUGH AHFC RURAL PROFESSIONAL HOUSING GRANT FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Southeast Island School District (the "District") has received a Rural Professional Housing Grant (Grant Agreement # RPH-24-SIS-1) from the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) to support the development of housing for rural educators; and

WHEREAS, the District issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the construction of two stick-built professional housing units, with a proposal submission deadline of April 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the District did not receive any bids in response to the RFP; and

WHEREAS, feedback from potential respondents to the RFP indicated that the available grant funds were insufficient to construct housing that would meet the design, code, and livability requirements outlined in the RFP; and

WHEREAS, the District identified three Columbia River 1008 modular housing units, each approximately 900 square feet in size, available from Heritage Home Center that meet the AHFC construction and building code standards required for grant compliance; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of the three modular units, not including shipping and on-site setup, is \$396,453, which is within the budget provided by the AHFC Rural Professional Housing Grant; and

WHEREAS, the District requested and obtained approval from AHFC to proceed with the purchase of the modular housing units in place of the stick-built structures; and

WHEREAS, due to the time-sensitive nature of expending the Rural Professional Housing Grant funds within the allowable grant period, formal competitive purchasing procedures would cause undue delay and risk the loss of grant funding; and

WHEREAS, Board Policy 3311 provides for purchasing procedure exemptions under certain conditions, including Exemption 10, which allows contracts or purchases when

time is of the essence for reasons of health or safety, or to comply with legal requirements in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of these modular housing units is critical to complying with the legal and fiscal requirements of the AHFC Rural Professional Housing Grant and to meet the District's urgent housing needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Southeast Island School District Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent or designee to purchase three (3) Columbia River 1008 modular housing units—each approximately 900 square feet in size—from Heritage Home Center using funds from the AHFC Rural Professional Housing Grant (Grant Agreement # RPH-24-SIS-1).
2. The total cost for the three units, excluding shipping and setup, shall be \$396,453, and this amount is within the authorized grant budget.
3. This purchase shall be exempt from the formal competitive procurement process as authorized by Board Policy 3311, Exemption 10.
4. The Board affirms that this action is necessary to meet the deadlines and standards required by AHFC, to respond to the lack of viable proposals under the initial RFP, and to provide essential housing for district personnel in a timely and legally compliant manner.

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