

Unofficial Minutes

Kuspuk School District REAA #5 December 13, 2016 Board of Education Meeting by VTC Bob R. McHenry District Office, Aniak, AK

Call to Order: President Morgan called the meeting to order at 9:57 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

Bonnie Persson, present/Kalskag
David Dorris, present/Kalskag
Phyllis Evan, absent, excused
Wayne Morgan, present

Harvey Hoffman, present
Eleanor Sanbei, present
Taylor Hayden, present/Sleetmute
Justin Ward, Student Rep, present

A quorum was present. Also present: Erich Kuball, Interim Superintendent; Martha Morgan, Business Manager; Jeromy Hoeldt, Maintenance Director; Steven Porter, Up River Principal; Severen Gardner, Kalskag Principal; Larry Cobb, Curriculum Director; Julia Fischer, MKEA Teacher Rep; and Edith Morgan, recording secretary.

Approval Of The Agenda

President Morgan said he had a flight to catch at noon and suggested moving action items, finance and superintendent reports up on the agenda. Taylor Hayden made a **Motion** to approve the December 13, 2016 agenda as amended. Seconded by David Dorris. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: November 9, 2016 Regular Meeting

Harvey Hoffman made a **Motion** to accept the minutes of November 9, 2016, Regular Meeting, seconded by Eleanor Sanbei, all were in favor, the motion carried.

Board President Report - Wayne Morgan

President Morgan stated he would leave before the agenda item time and place of the next meeting and recommended not having a January meeting because in January everyone would be just returning from break, however a Budget Committee and Negotiations meeting will be scheduled for January 11th. He expressed condolences on behalf of the board to the family of recently deceased Mary Kelila of Chuathbaluk.

Public Comment Regarding Agenda/Non-Agenda Items No public comments.

10:05am Executive Session – Administrative Matters

Eleanor Sanbei made a **Motion** to go into executive session for administrative matters. Seconded by Bonnie Persson, all were in favor the motion carried.

10:36am Harvey Hoffman made a **Motion** to return to regular session. Seconded by Eleanor Sanbei all were in favor the motion carried.

Approval of: a) FY18 Contracts; b) FY17 New Hire; & c) Resignation

David Dorris made a **Motion** to approve the FY17 new hire: Mike Lane/GMSHS Social Studies teacher. Seconded by Taylor Hayden, all were in favor the motion carried.

Taylor Hayden made a **Motion** to accept the FY17 resignation of David Hamilton/Aniak Schools principal effective December 21, 2016 with a 5-day penalty per terms of negotiated contract. Seconded by Bonnie Persson, all were in favor the motion carried.

Harvey Hoffman made a **Motion** to approve the FY18 contract offers as listed. Seconded by Taylor Hayden, all were in favor the motion carried.

Finance Report – Martha Morgan

Martha Morgan's report had revenue and expenses as of 12/2/2016. She said there were only minor changes since the board last saw the draft audit in November and that the final audit was in the mail.

Kuspuk Superintendent Search

President Morgan gave an update saying the superintendent search has not officially begun yet, he said Mr. Kuball did officially submit a letter of interest in the position and the board will interview Mr. Kuball on February 14th.

Indian Policy and Procedures Statement of Assurance (E 6174.1)

David Dorris made a **Motion** to Approve the Indian Policy & Procedures Statement of Assurance. Seconded by Taylor Hayden, all were in favor the motion carried.

Scholarship Selection for Spring Awards

Harvey Hoffman made a **Motion** to approve \$750.00 scholarship awards for Mae Hetherington, GMSHS Alumni; Tierra Wolf, AJSHS Alumni; and Shaun Morgan, GMSHS Alumni, seconded by David Dorris, all were in favor the motion carried.

Resolution 17-01 A RESOLUTION OF KUSPUK SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE DISTRICT'S PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS) OF ALASKA TO INCLUDE A PROBATIONARY PERIOD. Taylor Hayden made a **Motion** to Adopt Resolution 17-01 PERS Participation Agreement Amendment. Seconded by David Dorris, all were in favor the motion carried.

10:53 am President Morgan turned the chair over to Vice President Persson and left the meeting.

Superintendent's Report – Erich Kuball

Mr. Kuball reported on staff transfers and subs for January; K-12 enrollment is at 342; Christmas break begins after school on Dec 21st and school resumes January 12th; Kalskag and Aniak will have inservices January 10-11th, Upriver and Aniak have a joint inservice and Kalskag will have their own. The ALASBO Conference and Superintendent boot camp training he attended were very beneficial. The leadership team will review 2017-18 District Calendar options submitted by staff and present a recommendation to the board in February. The school plane, a Cherokee 6, has been purchased and will be ready to use after Christmas break. He shared a written report on the EXCEL 12 Session held in October. Discussion followed on the FY18 district calendars, Calendar A and C have been eliminated due to early start and/or late finish, which leaves options B, D and E.

Maintenance & Operations – Jeromy Hoeldt

Mr. Hoeldt's written report was in the packet, he gave updates on the Crooked Creek and Kalskag sewer freeze ups. He thanked the board for approving the purchasing a larger plane saying their department will really benefit from it.

Principal Reports

Dr. David Hamilton, Aniak Principal had a written report in the board packet.

Mr. Severin Gardner, Kalskag Principal reported on the ASAA Region I meeting he attended, they discussed realignment of the volleyball mix-six season so it doesn't overlap with basketball, and to change the volleyball format from 9 teams to 8 and to change to a double elimination format. He said a grant for endowment awards of up to \$5,000.00 comes out next month to start new programs or sustain nonathletic programs such as motivational speakers or student government travel to Anchorage. Their Christmas program happens tomorrow; and with the switch to Carnegie more students are taking an initiative to improve their grades as they finish the first semester. Basketball begins with plans to host Akiachak. The volleyball team took the sportsmanship award home. He said the larger school plane would create savings in travel budgets and transportation of school food and supplies. Discussion followed on the notion of receiving PE credit for 3 months of sports participation instead of daily PE classes; the ice road is being made; the lack of a Kalskag SAC; and Parent Teacher Conferences.

Mr. Steven Porter, Up River Principal reported on SAC meetings in Sleetmute and Chuathbaluk; Parent Teacher Conferences were held; and he added GCI is installing cell phone coverage in Sleetmute and Crooked Creek.

Curriculum & Instruction – Larry Cobb

Mr. Cobb reported on January Inservices; the Battle of the Books; Benchmark Assessments; ELA adoption committee meetings; the 1003(a) grant application is ready to submit, it will send 19 people to the RTI conference as well as to some other conferences. Discussion followed on the curriculum adoption committee Eleanor Sanbei said she'd like to participate in that committee.

Student Representative – Justin Ward

Justin Ward reported Aniak volleyball got first place at regionals and went on to compete at the state level. Basketball season began; the wrestling team competed at Regionals and he qualified to compete at the State level; Kalskag's volleyball team placed 4th at Regionals; Basketball Season began, and after the Christmas break they will have a new Social Studies teacher as the previous one is moving to Crooked Creek; and a couple students left for an

EXCEL Credit Recovery Unit. In Sleetmute they have been busy preparing science fair projects for the Upriver Science Fair. Students have been doing wood burning projects and skin sewing. Curtis Dooley went to the EXCEL HEO camp; they held a thanksgiving bake sale, a Christmas Bazaar and a volleyball tournament; he said Stony River, Crooked Creek, and Chuathbaluk did not submit a report. Harvey Hoffman reported on State Volleyball.

MKEA Teacher Representative – Julia Fischer

Julia Fischer reported on the Upriver Science Fair winners; Sleetmute had a Thanksgiving bake sale; a Distance Learning Session with the Alaska Sealife Center; Ashley Alexie made 2017 calendars to sell; they will host the annual Christmas Bazaar; Chicken Pot Pie Sales and a volleyball tournament. The “Teacher Input” voiced concerns that the Accelerated Reader/STAR program would not be purchased for 2017-18. Ms. Fischer said Angela Hayden/JESS had student created videos on their Florida trip but since the meeting is by VTC she couldn’t show it but would look into sharing it by email or at a future meeting. Discussion followed on posting it on the KSD face book site. Discussion followed on the Accelerated Reader program and Mr. Cobb said the program was actually purchased for this year and 2017-18, but at the end of 2017-18 the grant ends and new funds will have to be found. A follow up report on the status of the Accelerated Reader program was requested for the next meeting.

Board Member Report(s)

Harvey Hoffman said he had an opportunity to meet ASAA Executive Director Billy Strickland and learned board members should be receiving their new region passes. He attended a CRESEL meeting yesterday and will report more at the next meeting.

Board Recognition Awards

Erich Kuball read board recognition awards into the record for Andrea Gusty; Jimmy McKenzie; and Ken Smith. He also presented AASB Basic Boardmanship Awards to Harvey Hoffman, Phyllis Evan, Taylor Hayden and Bonnie Persson. Nominations for Board Recognition: Richard Spencer for 9 years of service at GMSHS during which he and his family have truly become a part of the Kalskag community.

Policy Review Committee 1st Reading

- a. BP 1331 Memorial Policy
- b. BP 3550 Food Service
- c. BP 4111 Certificated Personnel Recruitment and Selection
- d. BP 4131 Certificated Staff Development
- e. BP/AP 4222 Teacher Aides/Paraprofessionals
- f. BP 4231 Classified Staff Development
- g. BP/AP/E 6174.1 Education of Native/Indian Children

Time & Place of Next Meeting Tuesday, February 14, 2016 at 10:00am in Aniak

David Dorris made a **Motion** to have the next meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2017, 10:00am in Aniak. Seconded by Taylor Hayden, all were in favor and the motion carried.

11:50am Adjournment David Dorris made a **Motion** to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Taylor Hayden.

Respectfully Submitted: _____
Taylor Hayden, Clerk Treasurer

Edith Morgan, Recording Secretary