

**ADOPTED MINUTES
OF THE
NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Mission: "To provide a learning environment that inspires and challenges students and employees to excel."
Vision: "To graduate all students with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for a successful future."**

President, Sandy Shroyer-Beaver, called the special meeting of the Northwest Arctic Borough School District Board of Education to order at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 13, 2016 in the District Office Boardroom at Kotzebue, AK.

Board Members present were:

Tillie Ticket
Brad Reich
Erica Nelson
Paula Mills
Margaret Hansen
Lawrence Jones
Nellie Ballot
Angela Washington
Eunice Hadley
Sandy Shroyer-Beaver

Board Member absent and excused was:

David Miller

A quorum was present.

Observed.

Those present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Staff present were: Dr. Annmarie O'Brien-Superintendent, Cheryl Schweigert-Director of Special Programs, Craig McConnell-Director of Property Services, Amy Eakin-Director of Technology, David Smith-Computer Tech, Joy Williams-Director of Curriculum/Instruction, Loretta Kittrell-Administrative Assistant for Grants, Terri Walker-Director of Grants, Yvonne Tollman-Assistant Director for Human Resources, Brett Slaaathaug-Student Activities Coordinator, and Marie Gregg-Secretary for the Board and Superintendent.

Guests present were: Stella Atoruk-NWAB Clerk, Kenny Gallahorn, Jon Gregg, and newly elected Board Members Marvin Barr of Kiana and Joanne Harris of Kotzebue.

Northwest Arctic Borough Deputy Clerk, Stella Atoruk, swore in re-elected Board Member: Tillie Ticket of Selawik and newly-elected Board Members: Marvin Barr of Kiana and Joanne Harris of Kotzebue.

Congratulations to the elected Board Members were given.

President Sandy Shroyer-Beaver announced that nominations for *President* were opened.

Margaret Hansen nominated Sandy Shroyer-Beaver. Tillie Ticket nominated Angela Washington.

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INTRODUCTION TO
STAFF & GUESTS

OATH OF OFFICE, ELECTED
BOARD MEMBERS

REORGANIZATION OF
THE BOARD

Joanne Harris moved to close nominations, seconded by Marvin Barr.

Motion carried by unanimous consent.

By secret ballot: Sandy Shroyer-Beaver received 6 votes and Angela Washington received 5 votes. Sandy Shroyer-Beaver was voted in as President.

President Sandy Shroyer-Beaver announced that nominations for *Vice-President* were opened.

Margaret Hansen nominated Erica Nelson. Tillie Ticket nominated Angela Washington.

Joanne Harris moved to close nominations, seconded by Eunice Hadley.

Motion carried by unanimous consent.

By secret ballot: Erica Nelson received 4 votes and Angela Washington received 7 votes. Angela Washington was voted in as Vice-President.

President Sandy Shroyer-Beaver announced that nominations for *Treasurer* were opened.

Eunice Hadley nominated Margaret Hansen.

Erica Nelson moved to closed nominations and asked for unanimous consent to select Margaret Hansen for Treasurer, seconded by Eunice Hadley. With unanimous consent, Margaret Hansen was appointed Treasurer.

President Sandy Shroyer-Beaver announced that nominations for *Secretary* were opened.

Angela Washington nominated Tillie Ticket. Marvin Barr nominated Lawrence Jones Sr.

Eunice Hadley moved to close nominations, seconded by Angela Washington.

By secret ballot: Tillie Ticket received 4 votes and Lawrence Jones Sr. received 7 votes. Lawrence Jones Sr. was voted in as Secretary.

President Sandy Shroyer-Beaver announced that nominations for *Parliamentarian* were opened.

Lawrence Jones Sr. nominated Tillie Ticket. Tillie Ticket declined the nomination.

President Sandy Shroyer-Beaver asked if any Board Members were interested in being the Parliamentarian since there were no more nominations.

Board Member Erica Nelson volunteered to be Parliamentarian.

President Sandy Shroyer-Beaver asked for unanimous consent selecting Erica Nelson as Parliamentarian.

Unanimous consent given by all Board members selecting Erica Nelson as Parliamentarian.

Board approval is required for all Memorandum of Agreements (MOA) \$50,000 or more. For the purposes of conducting the FY-16 audit, BDO has been selected to provide the auditing service that is required by Alaska State Law and Federal Reporting requirement. Auditing services will include: out-of-pocket expenses, for the work associated with the FY-16 audit, preparation of the FY-16 Financial Statements, and presentation of the audit to the Board. The proposed MOA includes both professional fees and out-of-pocket expenses for the FY-16 audit. Due to favorable experience with BDO it is in the district's best interest to continue with the firm for the FY-16 audit. The administration recommended that the Board approve the Memorandum of Agreement for BDO USA LLP and its associated cost for the FY-16 audit services, amount not to exceed \$75,000 as presented.

APPROVAL OF MOA; BDO USA LLP

Margaret Hansen moved to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for BDO USA LLP and its associated cost for the FY-16 audit services, amount not to exceed \$75,000 as presented, seconded by Lawrence Jones Sr.

ACTION

Motion carried by unanimous consent.

Board approval is required to expend \$50,000 and higher. The Kivalina School is in critical need of additional teacher housing space. Currently we have six teachers tripled up in two housing units and two more teachers doubled up in a third unit. None of the eight teachers are couples. The teachers have been cooperative for the most part but the overcrowding is causing morale to waver and impact work performance. In order to relieve the pressure and improve the living conditions of our Kivalina teachers, the request is to construct a 900 square foot teacher housing duplex for an amount not to exceed \$275,000. The duplex is to be constructed by the Maintenance Department. The administration recommended the Board approve to construct a 900 square foot teacher housing duplex in Kivalina for an amount not to exceed \$275,000 as presented.

APPROVAL FO BUILD A TEACHER HOUSING DUPLEX; KIVALINA SCHOOL

Erica Nelson moved to approve to construct a 900 square foot teacher housing duplex in Kivalina for an amount not to exceed \$275,000 as presented, seconded by Margaret Hansen.

ACTION

Motion carried by unanimous consent.

Administration recommended the Board approve the certified new hires at the Ambler School, Kobuk School, June Nelson Elementary School, and District Office; classified new hires at the Deering School, June Nelson Elementary School, Kotzebue Middle/High School, Noatak School, Noorvik School, Selawik School, Shungnak School, District Office, and Alaska Technical Center; classified contracted rehire at the District Office; and the new position at the Alaska Technical Center: Student Support Services Coordinator as presented.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Administration reported on the classified resignations at the Kivalina School.

Tillie Ticket moved to approve the certified new hires at the Ambler School, Kobuk School, June Nelson Elementary School, and District Office; classified new hires at the Deering School, June Nelson Elementary School, Kotzebue Middle/High School, Noatak School, Noorvik School, Selawik School, Shungnak School, District Office, and Alaska Technical Center; classified contracted rehire at the District Office; and the new position at the Alaska Technical Center: Student Support Services Coordinator as presented, seconded by Eunice Hadley.

ACTION

The roll call vote was:

Angela Washington	Yes	Erica Nelson	Abstained
Margaret Hansen	Yes	Nellie Ballot	Yes
Lawrence Jones, Sr.	Yes	Tillie Ticket	Yes
Joanne Harris	Yes	Marvin Barr	Yes
Eunice Hadley	Yes	Paula Mills	Yes
Sandy Shroyer-Beaver	Yes		

The motion carried with 10-yes votes.

Sandy Shroyer-Beaver: I want to thank outgoing Board Member, Brad Reich for all his years of service as Board Member.

Dr. Annmarie O'Brien: I too would like to thank Brad from all his years of dedication to our students. Thanks for helping us move forward with technology in our schools.

Brad Reich: I would like to suggest that the Board to continue to push for music and fine arts in our schools. With the Board all working together, we have had many successes. Thank you.

Erica Nelson moved to adjourn, seconded by Eunice Hadley.

With unanimous consent, the meeting adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Lawrence Jones Sr.,
Board Secretary



Marie L. Nelson-Gregg,
Recording Secretary

COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT