

Nenana City Public School District
Regular School Board
Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2015
6:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER

President Duggar called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.
Pledge of Allegiance recited by all.
Mission statement read by Board member Mayrand.

ROLL CALL

Marilyn Duggar – present	Cherrie Forness – absent (excused)
Jaime Mayrand – present	Seat E – vacant
Rebecca Ulery – present	James Brown – present
Kristine Knutsen – present	Tierney Taylor (Student Rep) – absent (excused)

A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Duggar entertained a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Board member Brown made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Seconded by Board member Ulery.
No further discussion.
None opposed.
Motion carries. (3/0) (adv 2/0)

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

It was noted that there were additional comments made by Board member Ulery that need to be added to the meeting minutes of February 18, 2015.
President Duggar entertained a motion to approve the meeting minutes of February 4, 2015 as presented and minutes of February 18, 2015 as amended.
Board member Brown made a motion to approve the minutes of February 4, 2015 as presented and minutes of February 18, 2015 as amended.
Seconded by Board member Ulery.
No further discussion.
None opposed.
Motion carries. (3/0) (adv 2/0)

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Kauffman, on behalf of Nenana Education Support Staff Association (NESSA), presented the board with a cake in recognition of their dedication of service to our student and community.
Students from Ms. Jacobsen's 8th grade class presented their 3-D playground project to the board.
Ms. Norman gave a short report on the science fair.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None noted.

WORK SESSION

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Board Appointment:
No letters of interest have been submitted at this time.
2. School Calendar 2015-2016 SY:
The proposed calendar was in the board packet. Parent/teacher conference dates were placed in this calendar prior to the end of quarter dates. This change came after feedback from parents and staff.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION cont.

3. Tenured Teacher Contracts:
Tenured teacher contracts are recommended for the following individuals.
Kathy Abrams, Annalee Coy, Lana Davison, Jeanette Dementi, Wanda Haken, Jens Jacobsen, Mindy Jacobsen, Donna Mather, Blain Morris, Darren Mudge, Jimmie Putman, Collin Stone, Patricia Barnett, Anne (Lorry) Brooks (part-time), Susan Button, Katrina Cooper Brian Rozell, Ann Slabaugh and Steve Stringfellow for teaching positions within their perspective schools.
4. NCPS Teacher Evaluation Tool:
Ms. Carattini explained the evaluation tool that will be used for teachers and special education teachers. Superintendent Gebhart stated administration is recommending the evaluation tool be conditionally approved for public input. This will be made available to the public for review at the school office.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Nenana City Public School:
Ms. Carattini had nothing to add to her report, but asked Mr. Filardi to discussed the activities that took place with the Fairbanks Shakespear Theater which culminated in a special performance at the end of the evening. The Nenana Health Fair will be held on April 1st in the school gym from 8am-2pm.
2. ANE Grant Report:
Mr. Jacobsen informed the board that the Exhibition of Learning will be held on April 30, 2015 from 5:00 – 7:00pm. There was some discussion about having the EOL extend to 8:00pm for those who may work late.
Mr. Jacobsen and Mr. Filardi talked about the ASTE conference they attended. They also presented information on a program called Canvas.
3. 21st CCLC Grant Report:
Ms. Norman she discussed the workshops she attended while at her conference in Orlando. She was also able to bring back great resources.
She talked about some of the projects being worked on in the science and robotics club. She is looking in to some summer activities. She is applying for a program regarding sustainable gardens.
4. Elementary Counseling Grant Report:
Ms. Chong said that she unexpectedly needed to go back to Oregon for a family emergency. She talked about Phlight Club that will be here at the end of the month. This will be a focus on 5th through high school and is a resiliency program. She has been looking for individuals that could be possible adult anchors for students. Ms. Chong has been helping with the planning of the health fair.
5. Student Representative Report:
No report for this meeting.
6. CyberLynx/Special Education Report:
Mr. Abrams was not at this meeting, no report was available.
7. Nenana Student Living Center Report:
Mr. Digrande said there are 72 students in residence at the NSLC right now. There are 51 returning next year and 8 new students have been accepted. He also discussed student activities taking place.
8. Maintenance Report:
Superintendent Gebhart discussed the change order request that was approved. There will be a preventative maintenance inspection near the end of March. Superintendent Gebhart informed the board on what is involved in this inspection and what it means to the district to receive the approved rating.
9. Business Manager Report:
Mr. Horn is away on vacation.
Superintendent Gebhart talked about the local contribution issue and resolution.

CONSENT AGENDA cont.

10. Legislative Liaison Report:
Superintendent Gebhart has information to share in his report. Board member Brown said he did not have anything to add to Superintendent Gebhart's report regarding legislation.
11. Superintendent Report:
Superintendent Gebhart tried to teleconference in Eva Vent of Tanana Chiefs Conference; Ms. Vent did not answer.
He mentioned that GCI has submitted an e-rate proposal and ACS will be submitting a proposal next week.
Superintendent Gebhart has been working on an administrator evaluation tool and shared with the board his draft of this document. He hopes to have it ready for conditional approval by next board meeting.
As far as the legislature goes, the biggest issue is the budget. He talked to the board about items in the budget that are still listed or have been cut from the budget.
12. Board Committee Report:
Nothing new to report.

*****REGULAR SESSION*****

ACTION ITEMS

1. Board Appointment:
No board appointment for this meeting.
2. School Calendar 2015-2016 SY:
President Duggar entertained a motion to approve the 2015-2016 school calendar that was presented.
Board member Brown made a motion to approve the 2015-2016 school calendar that was presented.
Seconded by Board member Ulery.
No further discussion.
None opposed.
Motion carries. (3/0) (adv 2/0)
3. Tenured Teacher Contracts:
President Duggar entertained a motion to approve tenured teacher contracts for the following: Kathy Abrams, Annalee Coy, Lana Davison, Jeanette Dementi, Wanda Haken, Jens Jacobsen, Mindy Jacobsen, Donna Mather, Blain Morris, Darren Mudge, Jimmie Putman, Collin Stone, Patricia Barnett, Anne (Lorry) Brooks (part-time), Susan Button, Katrina Cooper Brian Rozell, Ann Slabaugh and Steve Stringfellow for teaching positions within their perspective schools.
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Seconded by Board member Mayrand.
No further discussion.
None opposed.
Motion carries. (3/0) (adv 2/0)
4. NCPS Teacher Evaluation Tool:
President Duggar entertained a motion to conditionally approve the NCPS Teacher Evaluation Tool as presented and release it to the Nenana City School District public for comment and input.
Board member Ulery made a motion to conditionally approve the NCPS Teacher Evaluation Tool as presented and release it to the Nenana City School District public for comment and input.
Seconded by Board member Brown.
Discussion took place on how to disseminate the evaluation tool to the general public.
None opposed.
Motion carries. (3/0) (adv 2/0)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Eric Filardi informed the board that the school won an Air Force Association Educator's grant that will allow students to construct a high altitude balloon. This will be a cross curriculum project.

BOARD COMMENTS

None noted.

*****EXECUTIVE SESSION*****

President Duggar entertained a motion to go into executive session to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation at 8:10p.m.

Board member Brown made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation.

Seconded by Board member Ulery.

No further discussion.

None opposed.

Motion carries. (3/0) (adv 2/0)

Back into regular session at 8:55pm.

ADJOURN

President Duggar entertained a motion to adjourn.

Board member Ulery made a motion to adjourn at 8:56pm.

Seconded by Board member Brown.

No further discussion.

None opposed.

Motion carries. (3/0) (adv 2/0)