

BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

Regular Meeting

December 8, 2009
Nome Elementary School
5:30 p.m.

Gloria Ann Karmun, Board President, called the scheduled regular meeting of the Nome Board of Education to order in the library of the Nome Elementary School at 5:31 p.m. on December 8, 2009 with a quorum present.

Willy Hoogendorn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

School Board Members present: Gloria Ann Karmun, Kirsten Timbers, Barb Nickels, Heather Payenna and Albert McComas.

Taylor Romenesko was present as the Student Representative.

Others in attendance included the following:

Jon Wehde	Sylvia Matson
Bill Gartung	Janeen Sullivan
Shari Biscotti	Doug Boyer
Robin Johnson	Betsy Brennan
Jon Berkeley	John Francis
Erin Gustafson	Andrew Gustafson
Tyler Rhodes	Oliver Hoogendorn
Neal Foster	Crystal Andersen Booth
Austin Pate	Emma Pate
Willy Hoogendorn	Joe Miller
Mason Evans	Janice Dougherty

Taylor Romenesko read the Nome Public Schools Mission Statement.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Ms. Nickels moved, seconded by Ms. Timbers to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY PRESIDENT GLORIA ANN KARMUN:

Ms. Karmun introduced Crystal Andersen Booth, Janice Dougherty and Neal Foster from the Sitnasuak Native Corporation. They, in turn, presented a check for \$100,000 to Nome Public Schools for the continuance of JROTC.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS/VISITORS

None.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Doug Boyer introduced Oliver Hoogendorn as the Jr. High student of the month for October. He also invited Mrs. Gustafson to speak on Oliver's behalf. Mason Evans was introduced as the Senior High student of the month for October.

Mr. Boyer introduced Austin Pate as the Student of the Month for November. He invited Mrs. Gustafson to share about Austin. Lonny Booshu was introduced as the Senior High Student of the Month for November. Mr. Gustafson was invited to share about Lonny.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Taylor Romenesko presented his report.

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS

None.

BOARD INFORMATION

The following items under board information were reviewed: November Roof Project and the draft of a new position in the District, Alaska Native Education Coordinator. Mr. Jon Berkeley was invited to share about the new position. Mr. Wehde inserted an information item about Alaska Senate Bill 109, which is advocating for the removal of the HSGQE.

REPORTS

Administrator Reports

Janeen Sullivan highlighted her written report with following information: 1). On the HSGQE, she gave the percentages that represent Nome-Beltz. 2). Nome-Beltz finished second overall in the recent wrestling Regionals where they also won the GPA Award. We have four Region Champions – Gabe Cabrera, Lonny Booshu, Eric Odden and Derek Wieler She thanked the Coaches for their hard work this year.

Shari Biscotti highlighted her written report with following information: 1). Math updates. 2). Thirty-nine students had perfect attendance. 3). Reading Around the World. 4). Coffee with Biscotti.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Jon Wehde highlighted his written report with the following information: 1). Update on 7th thru 12th Grade referrals are significantly lower than past years. 2). Capitol projects including the roof project and the boiler project. 3). Personnel; Operations Manager will be posted per Board approval, Negotiations with teachers will begin in January and welcome to new and transferring employees. 4). JROTC letter to the local businesses.

Board Policy Committee Report

The Committee recommends the following policies to the School Board: 1). BP 6144.4 Pandemic/Epidemic Emergencies 2). BP 0520 School Accountability/School Improvement 3). BP 0520 School Accountability/School Improvement.

The Committee will meet each month on the first Thursday at noon.

Board Members Open Discussion

Ms. Nickels asked for an update on the progress of the On-Line policy Manual.

ROUTINE MATTERS

Mr. McComas moved /seconded by Ms. Nickels to approve the corrected minutes of the Regular meeting of November 17, 2009.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

MINUTES
APPROVAL

Ms. Nickels moved, seconded by Ms. Timbers to ratify the checks for the month of November 2009, in the amount of \$1,007,135.66.

The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following results:

KT: yes AM: yes GK: yes BN: yes HP: yes

NOVEMBER
DISBURSEMENT

ACTION ITEMS

a. Approval of FY10 Budget Revision

Mr. McComas moved, seconded by Ms. Timbers to approve the FY10 Budget Revision.

The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following results:

AM: yes GK: yes BN: yes HP: yes KT: yes

BUDGET REVISIONS

b. Approval of 403 (b) Plan document for NPS

Ms. Timbers moved, seconded by Mr. McComas to approve the 403 (b) Plan document for NPS.

The motion carried unanimously by roll call vote with the following results:

GK: yes BN: yes HP: yes KT: yes AM: yes

403(B) PLAN DOCUMENT

c. Approval of new position – District Operations Foreman

Mr. McComas moved, seconded by Ms. Timbers to approve the new position of District Operations Foreman.

The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

DISTRICT OPERATIONS
FOREMAN

- d. First Reading - BP 6114.4 Pandemic/Epidemic Emergencies PANDEMIC/EPIDEMIC
 Mr. McComas moved, seconded by Ms. Timbers to EMERGENCIES
 approve the First Reading of BP 6114.4 and waive the Second Reading.
 Ms. Nickels moved to amend the motion to approve the first reading
 and require a second reading. The motion failed for lack of a second.
 The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- e. First Reading - BP 0520 School Accountability/School Improvement SCHOOL
 Ms. Timbers moved, seconded by Mr. McComas to ACCOUNTABILITY/SCHOOL
 approve the First Reading of BP 0520 and waive the IMPROVEMENT
 Second Reading.
 The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.
- f. First Reading - BP 5141.31 Immunizations IMMUNIZATIONS
 Mr. McComas moved, seconded by Ms. Timbers to
 approve the First Reading of BP 5141.31 and waive the Second Reading.
 The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

BOARD COMMENTS

Ms. Payenna congratulated the wrestlers going to State. She reminded the Board that Basketball season is upon us.

Ms. Timbers congratulated the wrestlers for winning the Nanook wrestlers for winning the GPA Award.

Ms. Nickels thanked the Sitnasuak Corporation for their donation, which will provide continued funding for the JROTC program. She congratulated the four students of the month. Ms. Nickels also expressed her interest in the 'Reading Around the World' program at the Elementary School.

Mr. McComas welcomed the new Staff members. He praised all the wrestlers, including those going to State. He also congratulated the team for winning the GPA Award. He offered thanks to the Sitnasuak Corporation for their donation.

Ms. Karmun thanked the Sitnasuak Native Corporation for their donation that invests in the future of our students. She reported that the Music fundraiser was excellent. Ms. Karmun congratulated the Students of the month and their parents. She also congratulated the wrestlers for winning the GPA Award.

Next meetings: Work Session – No meeting for December
 Regular Meeting – January 12, 2010

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McComas moved, seconded by Ms. Timbers to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Karmun adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Gloria Ann Karmun Date
 President, Board of Education

Kirsten Timbers Date
 Vice President/Clerk, Board of Education