

# PROCEEDINGS

## MINUTES WRANGELL SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

September 18, 2023, 6:30 PM  
Via Zoom

School Board President David Wilson called the regular meeting of the Wrangell Public School Board to order at 6:30 PM.

**CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum was determined with the following school board members present Angela Allen, Esther Ashton, Brittani Robbins, and David Wilson. Elizabeth Roundtree was absent, excused. Also, present was Superintendent Bill Burr. Recording Secretary Kimberly Powell, and Student Representative Mia Wiederspohn.

**DETERMINE QUORUM**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by David Wilson.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The District Mission, Vision and Values were recited by Esther Ashton.

**DISTRICT MISSION,  
VISION, AND VALUES**

Motion to approve the agenda as presented, which includes the items on the consent agenda by Brittani Robbins, seconded by Esther Ashton. Poll vote: Esther Ashton: Yes; Angela Allen: Yes; Brittani Robbins: Yes; David Wilson: Yes. Motion passed.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA  
INCLUDING ITEMS ON  
THE CONSENT AGENDA**

- Approved the minutes of the August 21, 2023, Regular School Board meeting, as presented.
- Approved the hire of Julieann Allen pending the receipt of a satisfactory criminal background check.
- Offered Winston Davies a contract addendum in the amount of \$4,000.00 to fulfill the role of Carl Perkins Grant Director during the 2023-2024 school year.
- Offered Ryan Hayes an extracurricular contract for the position of Middle and High School Yearbook Advisor, pending receipt of a satisfactory drug test.
- Reviewed the resignation of Erik Scheib, Activities Director.

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Mia Wiederspohn, Student Representative, introduced herself to the Board and said that she is excited to serve as the Student Representative to the School Board. She told the Board Members that the Student Government had their first meeting of the year last Thursday. They reviewed Parliamentary Procedure and elected officers:

**STUDENT  
REPRESENTATIVE  
REPORT**

- Mia Wiederspohn, President
- Alesha Armstrong, Vice-president
- Spencer Petticrew, Secretary
- Della Churchill, Treasurer

Jack Carney, Wrestling Coach, thanked the District Office staff and School Board for their work. He told the Board that team fundraised dollars are being taken out of class and club accounts, without the coach's knowledge, to support travel. Mr. Carney referred to the Activities handbook and said that he would have Mrs. Powell email the Board a copy. Mr. Carney said that he has \$8,000.00 in his account for ten months but today has a negative of \$5,000.00 in his account. He spoke in favor of complete transparency in the Class & Club accounts.

**GUESTS TO BE HEARD**

Christy Good, Basketball Coach echoed Coach Carney and said she hopes that in the future coaches can receive a monthly statement. She spoke in favor of the Activities Director position being made into a full-time position. Mrs. Good also spoke highly of Principal Hanson.

Jamie Roberts, Swim Coach, said she is also concerned about the activities funds and would like to see transparency. She is concerned that funds are being taken out of her account without her knowledge. She would like to see travel booked sooner since her schedule comes out in April but isn't booked until August which results in travel often not being available. Currently 4 out of 8 of her swimmers pay their own way but she is being asked to cancel trips because they are too expensive. She would also like to see consistency among the handbooks.

Mason Villarma, Cross Country Coach/Borough Finance Director echoed the concerns of the other coaches but gave credit to Ms. Andrew for picking up the finance system and doing a great job with it. He is not concerned about the \$400 fee but is concerned about the lack of opportunity to raise the money for swim and cross country. He asked the School Board Members if the borough contribution is not going toward athletics, what is it being used for? He also said that the Activities Director is not a part-time position and spoke in favor of making it a full-time position. Mr. Villarma also spoke highly of Jackie Hanson. He told the Board Members that he was in contact with Nike last Friday and is hoping to partner with them to build a track.

**GUESTS TO BE HEARD**

The School Board reviewed the correspondence as submitted.

**REVIEWED  
CORRESPONDENCE**

Information & Reports were accepted by unanimous consent.

**ACCEPTED  
INFORMATION &  
REPORTS**

Motion to direct the administration to write a letter to AASB in support of the Resolutions as presented by Angela Allen, seconded by Brittani Robbins. Poll vote: Angela Allen: Yes; Esther Ashton: Yes; Brittani Robbins: Yes; David Wilson: Yes. Motion approved.

**DIRECTED THE  
ADMINISTRATION TO WRITE A  
LETTER TO AASB IN SUPPORT  
OF THE RESOLUTIONS**

Motion to accept the donation of supplies from Donor's Choose for Tracey Martin's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom by Brittani Robbins, seconded by Angela Allen. Poll vote: Esther Ashton: Yes; Brittani Robbins: Yes; Angela Allen: Yes; David Wilson: Yes. Motion approved.

**ACCEPTED THE DONATION  
FROM DONOR'S CHOOSE FOR  
TRACEY MARTIN'S  
CLASSROOM**

Motion to accept the second reading of Board Policy 1340 (Access to District Records), 1400 (Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools), 2124 (Repealing Recruitment of the Superintendent), and 4212.62 (Maintenance of Criminal Records) as directed by Angela Allen, seconded by Brittani Robbins. Poll vote: Brittani Robbins: Yes; Angela Allen: Yes; Esther Ashton: Yes; David Wilson: Yes. Motion approved.

**ACCEPTED THE SECOND  
READING OF BOARD POLICY  
1340,1400,2124, AND 4212.62**

Reviewed Board Policy:

**REVIEWED BOARD POLICY**

- 1220, Community Advisory Committees
- 3200, Income
- 3290, Gifts, Grants, and Bequests
- 3300, Expenditures/Expending Authority
- 3310, Purchasing Procedures
- 3312, Contracts
- 4262, Classified Staff Vacations and Holidays

Motion to accept the first reading of Board Policy 2300, Conflict of Interest, Board Policy 3270, School Properties Disposal Procedure, and Board Policy 5127, Graduation Ceremonies and Activities as presented by Esther Ashton, seconded by Brittani Robbins. Poll vote: Angela Allen: Yes; Esther Ashton: Yes; Brittani Robbins: Yes; David Wilson: Yes. Motion approved.

**ACCEPTED THE FIRST READING  
OF BOARD POLICY 2300, 3270,  
AND 5127**

Motion to accept the Small Rural School Achievement Program Grant Award in the amount of \$7,388.00 by Brittani Robbins, seconded by Angela Allen. Poll vote: Esther Ashton: Yes; Brittani Robbins: Yes; Angela Allen: Yes; David Wilson: Yes. Motion approved.

**ACCEPTED THE SMALL RURAL  
SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT  
PROGRAM GRANT AWARD**

Reviewed the upcoming dates and meeting announcements.

**REVIEWED DATES & MTG  
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Angela Allen said that flu season is coming up and vaccines will be available soon.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMUNITY  
ACTIVITY REPORTS**

Esther Ashton said that the WCA Earth Branch received funding to purchase a glass crusher that will be impactful for the entire community as we will now have the ability to recycle glass. This will also bring in some funds from recycling efforts. Currently the funds from the aluminum can recycling supports the High School Swim Team. She is also excited that they are adding a commercial composter to help reduce the community's footprint on the environment. WCA will be collaborating with Mrs. Hanson on some upcoming educational opportunities for our students.

President Wilson reminded the School Board and audience of upcoming work sessions. On October 12, the School Board will be hosting a work session to provide training to our advisory and standing committee members. He encouraged everyone to get involved and said they could contact Mrs. Powell to sign up for a committee. On October 16, the School Board will be having a work session regarding funding for activities/state travel. Mr. Wilson said that attended the Cross Country meet and appreciated everyone's hard work putting it together.

*Angela M. Allen*  
SCHOOL BOARD SECRETARY