

**PROCEEDINGS**

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**MINUTES  
WRANGELL SCHOOL BOARD  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**September 9, 2024, 6:00 PM  
Evergreen Elementary School Room 101**

School Board President David Wilson called the special meeting of the Wrangell Public School Board to order at 6:00 PM.

**CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum was determined with the following school board members present Angela Allen, John DeRuyter, Brittani Robbins, Elizabeth Roundtree, and David Wilson. Also present was Superintendent Bill Bur and Recording Secretary Kimberly Powell.

**DETERMINE QUORUM**

Motion to approve the purchase of an electric school bus form Bluebird in the amount of \$413,786.31 using the funds set aside in 2022 EPA Clean Bus Gant. The remaining costs including shelter and electrical drop to be spent from the School District reserve not to exceed an additional \$50,000.00 by John DeRuyter, seconded by Angela Allen.

**DENIED THE PURCHASE  
OF AN ELECTRIC BUS**

John Taylor, Owner of Taylor Transportation, expressed concerns about the weight of the bus, potential location of the building to house the bus, electrical installation, hidden cost of bringing a mechanic to town, and cost of freight to Wrangell.

Zach Taylor, Manager and Driver of Taylor Transportation, spoke in opposition to the purchase of an electric school bus. He also shared concerns about the construction of a facility to house the school bus.

Mike Lockabey, Community Member, spoke in opposition to the purchase of an electric school bus stating that he has not seen enough research on electric school buses to see an advantage to getting a green bus.

Motion to amend the original motion to approve the purchase of an electric school bus form Bluebird in the amount of \$413,786.31 using the funds set aside in 2022 EPA Clean Bus Gant. The remaining costs including shelter and electrical drop to be spent from the School District reserve not to exceed an additional \$60,000.00 by David Wilson, seconded by John DeRuyter.

Poll vote on the amendment: John DeRuyter: Yes; Brittani Robbins: No; Elizabeth Roundtree: No; Angela Allen: No; David Wilson: Yes. Motion failed.

Poll vote on the original motion: Brittani Robbins: No; Elizabeth Roundtree: No; Angela Allen: No; John DeRuyter: Yes; David Wilson: Yes. Motion failed.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:24 P.M.

**ADJOURNED AT 8:24 P.M.**



**SCHOOL BOARD SECRETARY**