

**KODIAK ISLAND BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting – May 17, 2021**

The Board of Education of the Kodiak Island Borough School District met in regular session on Monday, May 17, 2021 in the District Services Conference Room. The meeting was broadcast on KMXT Radio. School Board President JULIE HILL called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by School Board President JULIE HILL

ROLL CALL was taken, and the following members were present:

Julie Hill Katie Oliver Dave Johnson Duncan Fields

Board members absent: Judy Carstens

A quorum was established.

ALSO PRESENT:

Neil Hecht	Richard Fuerst	Nicole Fuerst
Brad Fuerst	Conner Burnside	Geoff Smith
Kim Saunders	Elizabeth Dano	Angie Hietala
Leon Wallace	Cristina Bieber	Kathryn Symmes
Joyce Blair	Crystal Burnside	Damon Hargraves
Michelle Pennington	Lars Anderson	Sandy Daws
Angie Chervenak	Debbie Rohrer	Anthony White
Diane Maples (BlueJeans)	Heather Norton (BlueJeans)	Kerry Irons (BlueJeans)
Michelle StClair (BlueJeans)	Rural Schools (BlueJeans)	Todd Burton (BlueJeans)
Jamie (BlueJeans)	Jerry Clark (BlueJeans)	Katrina Stewart (BlueJeans)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA:

All items listed under Agenda and Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the School Board and will be approved by one motion. The Agenda and Consent Agenda were considered for approval and/or amendment.

MOTION

DUNCAN FIELDS moved to approve the Agenda and Consent Agenda. KATIE OLIVER seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present. Items on the Consent Agenda included:

- 5.02 Special Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2021** – Approved under the Consent Agenda as presented.
- 5.03 Highway and Heating Fuel Bid Award** – Approved under the Consent Agenda as presented.
- 5.04 FY22 Physical Therapy Services** – Approved under the Consent Agenda as presented.
- 5.05 FY22 Mental Health Services Contract** – Approved under the Consent Agenda as presented.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS: None given.

PROGRAM STAFF REPORTS:

- 7.01 Retirement Recognitions** – School Board President JULIE HILL presented retirement recognition plaques to Peterson Elementary Speech & Language Pathology Assistant Lynn Devlin, East Elementary Music Teacher Elizabeth Dano, Main Elementary Special Education Aide Bonnie Sterns, Special Education Services Secretary Kelly Sternberg, North Star Principal Kerry Irons, and Assistant Superintendent Beth Cole.
- 7.02 Employee Service Recognitions** – School Board President JULIE HILL presented a recognition plaque for 25 years of service to North Star Elementary Teacher Kathy Simpler, Food Service Coordinator Leon Wallace, and Director of Special Services Geoff Smith.
- 7.03 School Board Report – Kodiak High School** – KHS Principal Neil Hecht introduced KHS CTE Teacher, Anthony White, and students from a number of his computer science courses. Mr. White and the students shared with the Board about their class activities, student aspirations, and wishes for future computer science courses at Kodiak High School. Principal Hecht reported on current and possible future KHS course offerings in person and online, recent assessment data, a number of school activities and events, credit requirements for graduation, and plans for mock graduation and Graduation.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Superintendent Larry LeDoux reported to the Board that Arctic Care, sponsored by KANA, has recently concluded. The Superintendent expressed thanks to the auditorium, high school, and middle school staff for their support of Arctic Care, as well as the Maintenance Department, and Central Office staff. Dr. LeDoux spoke to community efforts to address student drug and alcohol problems, and the need for the school district to continue to work on these issues. Dr. LeDoux expressed apologies for being weathered out of the Old Harbor graduation and extended the invitation for Board Members to attend the graduation ceremony in Ouzinkie. The Superintendent provided an update on staffing and recruitment. Dr. LeDoux spoke to the Board regarding the American Recovery Act and its requirements, including a review of the District's Smart Start Plan which will take place this summer, and will include an upcoming survey of community members, students, staff, and families. The Superintendent noted the upcoming Borough Assembly meeting where the Assembly will act on the District budget request. Dr. LeDoux answered Board member questions relative to CARES funding. Dr. LeDoux and KHS Principal Hecht shared with the Board about the metal Central Services sign being created by the KHS Welding Class.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 9.01 Board Policy Revision (First Reading)** – School Board action was needed to adopt proposed revisions to three Board Policies in first reading, and to forward the policy revisions to the June 21, 2021 Regular Meeting for a second reading and public hearing. Revisions to Board Policy 4119.21 *Codes of Ethics* include an update to clarify expectations for professional attitude, behavior, and communication with students, parents, and co-workers. Additionally, the revision refers staff to the Defining Staff-Student Boundaries brochure for further guidance and expectations.

Revisions to Board Policy 5141.4 *Child Abuse and Neglect* merge the existing policy with language from Board Policy 5141.41 *Child Abuse Prevention*.

Revisions to Board Policy 5141.41 *Child Abuse Prevention* change the title of the policy to *Sexual Abuse, Sexual Assault and Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention*, and outlines the responsibility of the District to provide a health and safety program which educates children on these topics. In addition, language regarding child abuse and prevention are removed to be relocated in the revision to BP 5141.4 *Child Abuse and Neglect*.

The Board reviewed proposed revisions at their May 3, 2021, Work Session; the presented revisions included suggestions made by Board members during the Work Session.

MOTION

DUNCAN FIELDS moved to adopt the revision to Board Policies 4119.21 *Codes of Ethics*, 5141.1 *Child Abuse and Neglect*, and 5141.41 *Child Abuse Prevention* in our first reading and forward the policy revisions to the June 21st Regular Meeting for second reading and public hearing. KATIE OLIVER seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

- 9.02 2021-2022 Certificated Contracts** – Administration had five certificated contracts for Board consideration.

MOTION

DUNCAN FIELDS moved to approve a 2021-2022 certificated contract to: Kelly Longrich, BA0 Step 7, in the amount of \$18,934.50 for a 0.3 FTE 189-day contract Title 1-A Enrichment/Interventionist for Rural Schools; Thomas Goudie, BA0 Step 3, in the amount of \$58,031.00 for a 1.0 FTE 189-day contract Culinary Teacher for Kodiak High School; Leo Hagedorn, MA0 Step 8, in the amount of \$74,210.00 + \$2000.00 (Rural Stipend) for a 1.0 FTE 189-day contract Elementary Teacher for our Port Lions School; Larry Richesin, MA36 Step 8, in the amount of \$80,218.00 + \$2000.00 (Rural Stipend) for a 1.0 FTE 189-day contract Secondary Teacher for our Old Harbor School; and Heather Russell, MA0 Step 5, in the amount of \$68,662.00 for a 1.0 FTE 189-day contract as our new Math Teacher for the High School. Katie Oliver seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

- 9.03 Best Beginnings Grant Award** – School Board action was needed to accept the Best Beginnings Grant Award.

MOTION

KATIE OLIVER moved to accept the FY22 Best Beginnings Grant award in the amount of \$2000.00, as presented. DUNCAN FIELDS seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

- 9.04 Request to Dispose of District-Owned Property - Vision Engraving Machine** – School Board action was needed to approve of the disposing of District-owned property pursuant to Board Policy.

MOTION

DUNCAN FIELDS moved to approve the disposal of Fixed Asset #104558 via the trade-in program offered by Vision Engraving Systems. KATIE OLIVER seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

- 9.05 Approval of Air Travel Contract** – School Board action was needed to approve a three-year contract with Alaska Airlines.

MOTION

DUNCAN FIELDS moved to approve the three-year contract with Alaska Airlines as presented in our Board packet this evening. KATIE OLIVER seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

- 9.06 Purchase Order Revision - Reveal Math** – School Board action was needed to approve a purchase order revision for Reveal Math.

MOTION

KATIE OLIVER moved to approve the revised Purchase Order 212401 to Northwest Textbook Depository in the amount of \$72,287.81, as presented. DUNCAN FIELDS seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

- 9.07 Purchase Order Revision - Leading Learning Together** – School Board action was needed to approve a purchase order revision to Leading Learning Together.

MOTION

DUNCAN FIELDS moved to approve the revision of Purchase Order 212206 Emily Weiskopf dba Leading Learning Together, LLC, in the amount of \$52,000.00, as presented. KATIE OLIVER seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

- 9.08 Purchase Requisition – APEX** – School Board action was needed to approve a purchase requisition for a 1-year APEX online content provider contract.

MOTION

KATIE OLIVER moved to approve Purchase Requisition No. 9564 to APEX Learning Inc., in the amount of \$32,665.00, as presented. DUNCAN FIELDS seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

- 9.09 Purchase Requisition No. 9607 - First Student** – School Board action was needed to approve the purchase requisition for Extended School Year bussing.

MOTION

DUNCAN FIELDS moved to approve Requisition No. 9607 to First Student, Inc. in the amount of \$46,579.68, as presented on the memorandum. KATIE OLIVER seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

- 9.10 Moss Removal Bid Award** – The Maintenance/Facilities and Purchasing Departments are requesting the Board’s approval of the moss removal bid award to Kingdom Detailing.

MOTION

KATIE OLIVER moved to approve Purchase Requisition No. 9605 to Kingdom Detailing in the amount of \$124,475.60, as presented. DUNCAN FIELDS seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

- 9.11 Pupil Transportation Bid Award** – School Board action was needed to approve the pupil transportation bid award to First Student, Inc.

MOTION

KATIE OLIVER moved to approve the pupil transportation services contract to First Student, Inc., as presented. DUNCAN FIELDS seconded the motion.

DUNCAN FIELDS brought to the attention of the Board an technical economic conflict of interest as he is a partner in rental company that rents to the bus company; and offered to abstain from the vote if the Chair found it appropriate. Board President JULIE HILL would allow DUNCAN FIELDS to abstain from the vote; subsequently, there would not be a quorum to act on this item.

MOTION

KATIE OLIVER moved to postpone consideration until the next Business Meeting of the Board. DUNCAN FIELDS seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- 9.12 April 2021 Report of Revenues and Expenditures** – The April 2021 Report of Revenues and Expenditures was ready for Board review.

MOTION

DUNCAN FIELDS moved to acknowledge the receipt of the April 2021 Report of Revenues and Expenditures, year-to-date general fund revenues in the amount of \$40,174,569.68 and year-to-date general fund expenditures in the amount of \$35,634,536.52. KATIE OLIVER seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a roll call vote of all members present.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS: None given.

FUTURE BUSINESS:

Future Topics of Discussion:

- Graduation Expectations Committee Update
- Driver’s Ed Update
- Culturally Responsive Education

- Applied Sciences
- Fisheries Technology in KIBSD
- Career and Technical Education Update
- Secondary ELA Update
- School Board Metrics presentation
- YRBS Results
- GT Presentation (Goals & Objectives)
- Board Self-Evaluation

BOARD COMMENTS:

- LARRY LEDOUX:** Congratulated the Federal Programs Director, Damon Hargraves, for submitting the ESSA Federal grants paperwork early, first to turn it in in the state. Thanked Kenny Daws for attending a construction and major maintenance grant program training, through the State of Alaska, to make sure we are certified to be on the list for capital improvements from the State. Shared about the Totes on Boats program which provides books for Migrant Education families.
- DAVE JOHNSON:** Congratulated all the retirees and the continued service award recipients. Thanked the presenters; found the KHS Technical CTE presentation impressive. Announced this was his Last Board meeting as the Coast Guard representative; expressed appreciation for experience. Encouraged the District to continue to improve the GT program and opportunities for middle schoolers to accelerate their education in preparation for entrance into high school.
- DUNCAN FIELDS:** Attended the Old Harbor graduation ceremony on Friday. Noted that is very inclusive of the community, incorporating the Old Harbor Tribe and Native Corporation in the presentations. Commented on the issues faced in rural schools with small size of enrollment and limited resources. Expressed thanks for rural school boards and their interface with Board relative to needs. Noted challenges faced by KHS admin in transition to new schedule. Impressed with the High School presentation this evening.
- KATIE OLIVER:** Expressed congratulations to graduates around the District. Appreciated High School Administration hosting a graduation ceremony that is inclusive of families and community and honors the day and the work in the way that we can coming out of this pandemic year. Commented her appreciation of Dave Johnson's service on the Board and his focus on data and student need. Thanked him for his service and congratulated him on his retirement. Reminded all of the Wednesday deadline for those interested in serving as an appointed Board Member in fill the vacant seat until the October election. Interested individuals should contact Board Secretary Bianca Clark.
- JULIE HILL:** Expressed sincere appreciation to all retirees and 25-year employees. Reminded the Board that the Borough will be looking at the budget on Thursday and encouraged the Board's attendance. Interested in seeing who will apply for the short-term Board position. Enjoyed getting to know Dave Johnson and hopes to see his interest in the position.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION

DUNCAN FIELDS moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting. KATIE OLIVER seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by a voice vote of all members present.

There being no further business, School Board President JULIE HILL adjourned the Regular Meeting at 9:58 p.m. on May 17, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bianca Clark
Secretary to the Board

Approved by the Kodiak Island Borough School District Board of Education at their Regular Meeting March 28, 2022.


Clerk of the Board