



## KIBSD Native Education Parent Committee Meeting Minutes

May 10, 2023 | 5:36PM – 7:03 PM

Videoconference | In-person

1. **ESTABLISH QUORUM & CALL TO ORDER** at 5:36 PM

The Chair confirmed a quorum was established of the following NEPC Members:

Erica Blondin, Chair (present)

Ray May (present)

Melissa Magnusen (present)

Shelly Peterson (absent)

Yvonne Mullan, Secretary (present)

Gabe Azuyak, IEA Parent Member (present)

Mary Kutyna (present)

Rosa Skonberg (absent)

Jessica Skonberg (present)

Michelle Johnson (present)

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2. **WELCOME & LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** – Chair Erica Blondin welcomed:

Staff Present:

Diane Maples, Federal Programs Director

Dave Johnson

Wes Hana

Meagan Mickelson, IEA Native Education

Teacher

Guests:

Mariah McNamara, UAF Project

Arwen Botz, KANA VP of Community Services

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3. **AGENDA REVIEW & APPROVAL** – *“To approve the agenda as presented.”* Motion made by Yvonne Mullan, second by Jessica Skonberg. **MOTION PASSED.**

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4. **MINUTES APPROVAL** – *“To approve the minutes from June2, 2022 as revised.”* Motion made by Erica Blondin, second by Jessica Skonberg. **MOTION PASSED.**

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5. **Public Hearing & Presentation** – The program is designed to meet unique educational culturally related academic needs where students gain knowledge and understanding of Native communities. This year’s multi-year grant saw an increase of about 10k totaling \$186,000. We are in year 3 of the 4-year grant. Ray May requests that packet materials be included for future meetings as it allows for easier following. Wes is concerned about supply line item. There is an increase in personnel but not in supplies. It costs \$1,000 per year for Base Camp. Is this something we want to continue using? Erica will look into alternative communication tools.

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6. **PROGRAM STATUS UPDATE** –

a. CCAS – UAF Project – Mariah gives summary of the Cultural Connections to Alaska Science grant project. This is a 4-year grant place-based curriculum for HS students where we work closely with Tribes, community members, and Culture Bearers. The content is shaped through interviews, and we are currently working with 4 regions, Kodiak being one of them. In April we built the CCAS Team. The project outcome will be 2 lessons with 2 videos for each community so there will be a total of 10 lessons for each community participating. The goal is to create more place-based science and research incorporating culture.

b. Migrant Education Grant – Meagan reports 11 new enrollments this year and is advocating for HS/MS student assistance. Really need someone to work with the students. Recently she participated in Old Harbor Culture Week, Ouzinkie Culture Week, Port Lions Culture Week, Chiniak Culture Week, provided East & Peterson Elementary activities, field trip for 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at Main Elementary, Camp Woody petroglyph rock painting, KMS Multi-Cultural Day, KHS Cama’i Club. She also provides homework help at

lunchtime. Brought a group of 6 students to participate in NYO. A group made up of NEPC members worked to have sashes made for graduation. Committee members would love to see a Native graduation event bringing in rural graduates to be included and celebrate. Would also like to see graduating students wearing their regalia.

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c. ESEA & CTE – Announcement: Todd Burton will be Federal Programs Director next year.

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7. **COMMITTEE MEMBER & TRIBAL REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS & NEXT STEPS**

Comments: Election will be held in September. Jessica - Need more Cultural programs in K-2.

Next steps: Need to revisit the Rural Education Plan.

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8. **ADJOURN** – Meeting adjourned at 7:03 PM moved by Erica Blondin, second by Yvonne Mullan.