

Nenana City Public School District
Regular School Board
Meeting Minutes

April 3, 2007
6:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER

President Duggar called the meeting to order at 6:37pm.
Pledge of Allegiance recited by all.
Mission statement read by Board member Adams.

ROLL CALL

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| Marilyn Duggar – present | Teresa Mayrand – excused |
| Gene Jensen – present | Barbara Adams – present |
| Theresa Shields – excused | Cherrie Forness – excused |
| Karen Lord – present | Megan Coghill – excused |

A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Duggar entertained a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Board member Jensen made a motion to approve the agenda as presented.
Seconded by Board member Lord.
No further discussion.
None opposed.
Motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

President Duggar asked if there were any corrections or additions.
None noted.
President Duggar entertained a motion to approve the minutes of March 6, 2007; March 9, 2007 and March 20, 2007.
Board member Jensen moved to approve the meeting minutes of March 6, 2007; March 9, 2007 and March 20, 2007.
Seconded by Board member Lord.
No further discussion.
None opposed.
Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Tim Horn expressed her concern to the Board over talk of combining the 6th, 7th and 8th grades.

Ms. Cindy Ronnander talked to the Board about working on scheduling for an academic awards night. She also announced that this would be her last meeting attending as Nenana NEA President. Mr. Darren Mudge would be taking over those duties.

President Duggar thanked Ms. Ronnander for all her hard work and great reporting she has done on behalf of her members.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None noted.

****WORK SESSION****

CONSENT AGENDA

1. NEA Report:
Discussed earlier.
2. Nenana City Public School Report:
Mr. Krause talked to the Board about a daily in the life of a Principal. He gave handouts from his presentation. He also discussed some transitions taking place.
3. Nenana Student Living Center Report:
Ms. Lockwood said that things are going smoothly and that it feels like students are finally falling into a good routine with study hall. Working on student recruitment and brainstorming ideas for recruitment. Dr. Thomason talked about the disaster kits that were put together for Living Center students, which is a state requirement.
4. CyberLynx Report/Special Education Report:
Mr. Abrams talked about efforts being worked on to recruit more students for CyberLynx. Looking at working with alternative learning groups.
5. Maintenance Report:
Mr. Grimes said he doesn't have anything to add and that he is anxious for the Action Locksmith presentation.
6. Business Managers Report:
Mr. Horn said that the number of bank accounts has been decreased to just two accounts which will streamline things. Working on closing out CIP monies from past projects and getting ready for audit time in August.
7. Superintendent Report:
Dr. Thomason talked about continuing negotiations with both unions. This has been a good process that all participants have appreciated. He also talked about all the work done by Jason and Teresa Mayrand and Verna Westlake on the Voluntary Public School Choice Grant. Dr. Thomason showed the updated district website to the Board.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Action Security Presentation:
Chris from Action Locksmith talked to the Board about changing over the current key system to a newer system that would keep tighter control over district keys and would decrease the number of keys needed for district personnel. The total cost for the new system would be \$25,000.00. Discussion followed.
2. First Reading of Handbook Policy:
President Duggar read the first reading of this policy.
3. Non-tenured Teacher Contracts:
Recommendations are for Janice Krenzke, Kathy Abrams, Kevin Busk (tenure year) and Steve Stringfellow (tenure year). Discussion followed.
4. Resignations:
Resignations are for Rick Martin, Johanna Kukes, Jenn Lockwood, Ben Lockwood, Wendy Jacobsen and Glen Dean.
5. CyberLynx Course Agreements:
Course agreements were reviewed.

6. CyberLynx Curriculum Approval:
Curriculum was reviewed.

*****EXECUTIVE SESSION*****

President Duggar entertained a motion to go into executive session at 8:38 pm to discuss legal issues.

Board member Jensen made a motion to go into executive session to discuss legal issues.

Seconded by Board member Lord.

No further discussion.

None opposed.

Motion carries.

*****REGULAR SESSION*****

Back in regular session at 9:36 pm

ACTION ITEMS

1. 1st Reading of Handbook Policy:

President Duggar entertained a motion to accept the 1st reading of the handbook policy.

Board member Jensen made a motion to accept the 1st reading of the handbook policy.

Seconded by Board member Lord.

No further discussion.

None opposed.

Motion carries.

2. Non-Tenured Teacher Contracts:

President Duggar entertained a motion to hire Janice Krenzke as the half time speech teacher.

Board member Jensen made a motion to hire Janice Krenzke as the half time speech teacher.

Seconded by Board member Lord.

No further discussion.

None opposed.

Motion carries.

President Duggar entertained a motion to hire Kathy Abrams as the special education teacher.

Board member Jensen made a motion to hire Kathy Abrams as the special education teacher.

Seconded by Board member Lord.

No further discussion.

None opposed.

Motion carries.

President Duggar entertained a motion to hire Kevin Busk as a CyberLynx teacher.

Board member Jensen made a motion to hire Kevin Busk as a CyberLynx teacher.

Seconded by Board member Lord.

No further discussion.

None opposed.

Motion carries.

President Duggar entertained a motion to hire Steve Stringfellow assessment/testing date and NCLB.

Board member Jensen made a motion to hire Steve Stringfellow as assessment/testing date and NCLB.

Seconded by Board member Lord.

No further discussion.

None opposed.

Motion carries.

ACTION ITEMS cont.

3. Resignations:
President Duggar entertained a motion to accept the resignation of the following staff:
Rick Martin
Johanna Kukes
Jenn Lockwood
Ben Lockwood
Wendy Jacobsen
Glen Dean
Board member Jensen made a motion to accept the resignation of the above mentioned staff.
Seconded by Board member Lord.
No further discussion.
None opposed.
Motion carries.

4. CyberLynx Course Agreements:
President Duggar entertained a motion to accept the CyberLynx course agreements as presented.
Board member Lord made a motion to accept the CyberLynx course agreements as presented.
Seconded by Board member Jensen.
No further discussion.
None opposed.
Motion carries.

5. CyberLynx Curriculum Approval:
President Duggar entertained a motion to accept the Evan Moore "Teaching Art to Children"
curriculum.
Board member Lord made a motion to accept the Evan Moore "Teaching Art to Children"
curriculum.
Seconded by Board member Jensen.
No further discussion.
None opposed.
Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Abrams talked about the pleasant relations between administration and teacher union. Ms. Ronnander has done a great job as President working with administration and representing her members.

Ms. Cindy Ronnander shared her sorrow over the resignations tonight, there are a lot of hard shoes to fill and hope that we can find candidate.

Ms. Wanda Haken urged the Board to keep aides in the elementary classrooms.

BOARD COMMENTS

Board member Lord thanked John for bringing in the gentleman from Action Security, the presentation was awesome. The only concern she has is where the money will come from. She also wanted to let everyone know that it was hard to tenure staff in light of the budget crisis, although she has complete faith in those teachers.

President Duggar thanked Cindy Ronnander for all the work she has done with the union. President Duggar also said she is sad to see Jenn and Ben leave.

Board member Adams said she really liked the Save Our Schools (SOS) that Mr. Hugny sent out.

ADJOURN

President Duggar entertained a motion to adjourn.

Board member Jensen made a motion to adjourn.
Seconded by Board member Lord.
No further discussion.
None opposed.
Motion carries.