

**Cordova School District – Board of Education
Regular Meeting – January 11, 2012
Summary**

Meeting Began: 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mr. Hoepfner, Mr. Sherman, Ms. Alexander, Mr. Gilman, Mr. Nichols

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jim Nygaard, Leif Jacobsen, Frank Wicks, Verna Reedy, Jeannie Blake

Members Absent: Keith Zamudio

Approval of Minutes: December 15, 2011

Consent Agenda: None

Student Council Representative: Not present

City Council Representative: Not present

CEA Representative: (Pam Moe/Doug Carroll) Not present

Elementary (Mr. Wicks):

- Site Base Council will meet January 24, 2012.
- Grades will be sent home a week later due to the emergency/school closure situation.
- Salmon eggs are close to hatching.
- Playground has some dramatic overhangs. Safety is a priority; the playground will not be used unless it is safe for students.
- State purchased the English Language Learner Assessments. Webinars and workshops have provided training for this assessment.

High School (Mr. Jacobsen):

- Due to the emergency/school closure situation there will be no athletic events this weekend. Currently working with ACS to see what new arrangements can be made.
- Cordova Tip-Off is scheduled for January 19-21. Currently working with teams regarding town situation and travel. All teams are scheduled to fly in except for Palmer. Palmer may travel by ferry, waiting for confirmation.
- Site Base Council will meet January 26, 2012.

Technology (Mr. Zamudio): None

Superintendent (Mr. Nygaard):

- Emergency Situation: Snow updates have been sent via email. Daily morning meetings with the city regarding the emergency situation. The National Guard and the Coast Guard have been providing assistance with shoveling. Priorities change rapidly due to the weather situation. Fuel tanks are full. Specialists have been rescheduled. Spoke with school insurance company regarding the loss of the carport located at the high school. City is looking at bringing in an engineering firm to evaluate buildings. Spoke with MRV regarding the snow load capacity on Mt. Eccles.
- School Closure: Speaking with the Commissioner of Education regarding the school closure and make-up days. Plan on meeting with Mr. Wicks regarding inservice. A calendar will need to be worked up and presented to the Department of Education.
- ILP: Building construction is in the finalization process. There are a few punch list items.
- Mt. Eccles: Prior to Christmas a crew came in to replace gaskets. The areas that previously leaked are still leaking. Hope to have the city available for further information during the February meeting. In the process of requesting reimbursement money from the city regarding electricity, heat, elevator, and bell system.

CHS Lighting Retrofit: There were no bid submissions presented for this project.

Financial Report (Mrs. Reedy):

- Financials for the month of December 2011 were presented.

New/Unfinished Business:

Information Items:

- FY11 Financial Audit Report – Alex Beckman (telephonic): Mr. Beckman presented a report to the board regarding the audit. All findings were good.
- City of Cordova Elected Officials, Appointed Boards & Commissions List: Ms. Alexander and Mr. Nichols noted some of their information was incorrect. Mr. Gilman noted he had served a previous term and it was not noted.

- BP 4222 Teacher Aides/Professionals: First reading. Public comment period will be January 12, 2012 – January 25, 2012. Comments may be emailed to jblake@cordovasd.org or mailed to Cordova School District, Attn: Jeannie Blake
- Computer Laptop Insurance: Mr. Nygaard and Mr. Zamudio are meeting regarding a future pilot program.
- Driver Information Update: No new information.
- Mt. Eccles Update: Information provided in Mr. Nygaard’s administrative report. Hope to have more information in February. All loose ends must be tied up before completion.
- City of Cordova, Alaska Resolution 01-12-06 (amended item): City Council is meeting at this time. Everyone is working hard to have the schools ready. Work is being done while school is closed to prepare for a safe reopening.

Action Items:

- BP 6161.4 Internet Second Reading
Motion PASSED 5-0
- Previously Approved Travel – Jim Nygaard
Motion PASSED 5-0
- Memorandum of Agreement – Association of Alaska School Boards and Cordova Schools
Motion PASSED 5-0

Contracts/Memorandums of Agreement:

Miscellaneous:

- ILP Update: Starting to close out the project. Working with expenses to provide to the City for reimbursement. Note once this grant expires whatever money is remaining goes into the facilities district fund.
- Regular Policy Review: BP 4141 Negotiated Agreement; BP 4141.6 Concerted Actions/Work Stoppage

Pending Agenda Items:

- Monthly Policy Review
- BP 4222 Teacher Aides/Paraprofessionals Second Reading
- Superintendent Evaluation
- Mt. Eccles Update from City
- Superintendent Search Timelines

Meeting Dates:

- February Regular Board Meeting Date: February 8, 2012 in the high school library at 7:00 p.m.

Executive Session: None

Meeting Adjourned: 9:10 p.m.

Summary is a courtesy to the community and in no way should be construed as the approved meeting minutes.