

**HOONAH CITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

November 17, 2017

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Heidi Jewell, Dillon Styers, Jamie Erickson, Robert Hutton, Grace Villarreal.

SUPERINTENDENT/PRINCIPAL: Ralph Watkins

OTHERS PRESENT: Kelli Deitering, Recording Secretary, Amy Stevenson, Business Manager, Sheryl Ross, Special Education, Valerie Houston, Harold Houston, Veronica Dalton, and Jen Bidiman.

CALL TO ORDER: Robert Hutton Called the meeting to order at 6:32pm.

ROLL CALL: Five (5) Board Members were present at roll call, a quorum was established.

CORRESPONDENCE TO THE BOARD:

AGENDA REVISIONS: Robert Hutton would like to add Head Lice as a discussion item.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA: M/S Heidi Jewell, Jamie Erickson moved to adopt the amended agenda. Accepted by unanimous consent, **MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: M/S Grace Villarreal, Heidi Jewel moved to approve the minutes of Regular Board Meeting October 19, 2017. Accepted by unanimous consent, **MOTION CARRIED.**

BOARD CALENDAR: Next regular board meeting is December 21, 2017 @ 7:00 pm. Discussion: Heidi would like to set up a workshop with Travis Lewis to discuss Legislation. Grace agreed so that we can be on the same page as the lobbyist. Ralph Watkins mentioned that the City Borough is moving forward.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (THREE MINUTE TIME LIMIT EACH):

- Jen Bidiman spoke about the Head Lice problem throughout the school.
- Harold Houston thanked Hoonah City Schools for being very welcoming and helpful to his family. He commended Sheryl Ross. He really enjoyed Ralph Watkins doing the Principal's Round Table.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

- **Administrator Report – Ralph Watkins** reported verbally that there have been good responses to the Parent Survey he released online earlier this week. He briefly described the Joint Meeting between the City Council and the School Board. There was an agreement to have quarterly meetings. He is actively putting plans in order for the Demonstration Grant. Ralph Watkins agreed with Harold Houston about the Special Education Team this year: he also commended them!
- **Business Office Report – Amy Stevenson** gave a written attached report.
- **Maintenance Report – Jeremiah Byers** gave a written attached report. Robert Hutton would like a update on the playground included in monthly reports.
- **SPED Report – Sheryl Ross** gave a written attached report. Sheryl Ross stated that the Driver Position needed to be reposted.
- **Board Reports – Dillon Styers** reported about Navigate North Consultants, Sean Parnell and John Moller. They gave a presentation about the city moving toward Borough Formation. Over the next 9-12 months they will be collecting information and then presenting it to the City Council to show them different options. What should the school district do? – As citizens, stay informed.
Robert Hutton asked for a volunteer to help with a Superintendent

Evaluation. Dillon Styers volunteered.

Grace Villarreal reported that the City is having a Roberts Rules Training on November 29th and 30th from 5:30-9:00pm.

OLD BUSINESS:

1.0 Second and Final Reading of Indian Ed BP 6174.1 and E 6174.1

M/S Robert Hutton, Grace Villarreal move that we approve for second and final reading Board Policy **Indian Ed BP 6174.1 and E 6174.1** as presented. Robert Hutton, Grace Villarreal move to table this Board Policy until next meeting, December 21, 2017. **MOTION CARRIED BY UNANIMOUS CONSENT.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- **Facility Use Agreement**-Grace Villarreal, Jamie Erickson, and Chris Greenwald have submitted a letter and altered the FUA to fit a Ku.eex. They will meet again to clean it up a bit. Jamie mentioned that they still need to work on the janitorial process. Heidi was going to ask the Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall and Central Council Tlingit and Haida for a copy of their application for use of building. That way we can have some examples. Heidi Jewell volunteered to step in for Grace Villarreal on this committee because Grace will be doing a lot of traveling with her husband for medical. Heidi, Jamie, and Chris are going to meet again to do finishing touches on the FUA for the Ku.eex.
- **RFP for Audit** – It was decided that HCS will put off finding an auditor until FY19. Ralph Watkins will still put out an RFP for Auditor in advance.
- **Head Lice & Nits** – If a student at Hoonah City Schools has lice, they are sent home. If a student only has nits, they are allowed to stay at school. This is how the present Administration Regulation is written. Ralph Watkins stated that our current AR goes right along with the CDC's policy on lice and nits. Jamie Erickson would like to see the policy changed to No Nits allowed in school. Heidi Jewell asked about accessible treatment for lice and how parents are being educated about

head lice. Valerie Houston wondered if there was anybody in our community that can help families with lice. Twenty-seven dollars for shampoo is very expensive. The staff at Hoonah City Schools is concerned with the AR and Ralph Watkins will be acting on this.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (THREE MINUTES PER SPEAKER):

-**Jennifer Bidiman** agreed that shampoo for lice is expensive. She mentioned that if a parent calls the clinic about their child's lice problem and makes an appointment, they will help get the shampoo.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD:

- **Grace Villarreal** was wondering about a grant that might cover a part-time school nurse that could help with the head lice problem.
- **Robert Hutton** asked Ralph Watkins if it is his intention to bring to the Board a revised AR for Head Lice. Ralph Watkins replied yes, after he meets with his staff about this issue.
- **Jamie Erickson** mentioned that it is unfortunate that staff members have to take away from instruction time to check students for lice. She was a parent representative for Head Start and got the policy changed to no lice as well as no nits. It was tough in the beginning, but really helped the head lice issue.

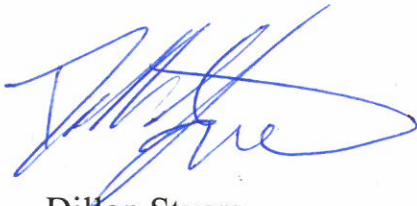
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- **Second and Final Reading of Indian ED BP 6174.1 and E 6174.1**
- **Facility Use Agreement**
- **Discussion Item – Legislative Liaison**

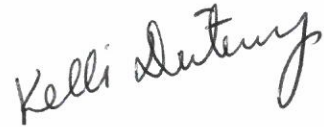
ADJOURNMENT:

Robert Hutton asked if there was any objection to adjournment. No objections. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Dillon Styers
Board Secretary



Kelli Deitering
School Board Secretary