

Regular Meeting

Thursday, April 23, 2026 6:00 PM

MS/HS Library, 109 Charles W St, Petersburg, AK 99833

Carey Case: Absent
Sarah Holmgrain: Present
Katie Holmlund: Present
Kari Petersen: Present
Marc Taylor: Present
Member Case was excused

1. CALL TO ORDER

Discussion: Meeting was called to order by President Holmgrain at 6:03pm

2. DETERMINE QUORUM

Discussion: Quorum was present to do business

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Discussion: President Holmgrain led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action(s):

Approve agenda as written. This motion, made by Sarah Holmgrain and seconded by Katie Holmlund, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carey Case: Absent
Sarah Holmgrain: Yea
Katie Holmlund: Yea
Kari Petersen: Yea
Marc Taylor: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

5. STUDENT PRESENTATION - Close Up and Senior Trip to Wrangell, MusicFest

Discussion: Several students that travelled to Washington DC and NY on the Close Up trip presented about their experience. Music teacher Chelsea Corrao presented in thanks to the board about the support they offer the music program within the district. The district was well represented at Musicfest this year.

6. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Discussion: Student rep Brantuas reported on the activities of ASB which included that track has begun, students have left for Artfest in Haines and the SAT and Prom were coming up.

7. CORRESPONDENCE - Band Thank You note

8. COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE UNRELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion: None

9. COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion: None

10. **COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Discussion: None

11. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Action(s):

Approve Consent Agenda. This motion, made by Sarah Holmgrain and seconded by Katie Holmlund, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carey Case: Absent
Sarah Holmgrain: Yea
Katie Holmlund: Yea
Kari Petersen: Yea
Marc Taylor: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- 11.1. March, 2026, Monthly accounting report, bills, payroll, and electronic fund transfers, Fundraised Student Activities Summary Report and P-Card statements in the amount of \$1,665,431.25
- 11.2. March. 17, 2026, regular board meeting minutes
- 11.3. Personnel Action Report

12. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

- 12.1. Superintendent's report **Presenter:** Superintendent Taylor
Discussion: See attached report
- 12.2. Elementary Principal's Report **Presenter:** Principal Heather Conn
Discussion: See attached report
- 12.3. MS/HS Principal's Report **Presenter:** Principal Brad King
Discussion: See attached report
- 12.4. Director of Activities Report **Presenter:** AD Jaime Cabral
Discussion: See attached report
- 12.5. SPED & DTC Director Report **Presenter:** Cyndy Fry
Discussion: See attached report
- 12.6. Director of Nutrition Report
Discussion: See attached report
- 12.7. Director of Technology Report
Discussion: See attached report

13. **SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Discussion: Crisis held a meeting and is standing up the committee to continue in the future. Wellness has a meeting May 8th.

14. **SPECIAL RECOGNITION**

Discussion: The board would like to announce that the district was notified that several students were nominated for the 2026 Spirit of Youth award. Gavin O'Neil, Rebel McGrath, Emi Anderson, Emmanuel Edwards, and Brayden Kai Tucker. These students will be recognized at their Q4 awards assembly.

Link to the Nominee Bios
Link to the Spirit of Youth winners

15. **OLD BUSINESS**

16. **NEW BUSINESS**

16.1. Public Hearing Indian Ed Grant

Discussion: A public hearing was held opened at 6:55 and closed at 6:55 as there was no one present to comment.

16.2. Action: Policy Updates - First Reading

Action(s):

Approve policy updates in first reading. This motion, made by Sarah Holmgrain and seconded by Kari Petersen, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carey Case: Absent
Sarah Holmgrain: Yea
Katie Holmlund: Yea
Kari Petersen: Yea
Marc Taylor: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Discussion: Policies passed in first reading and will move to a public hearing and second reading.

16.3. Action: PHS New Course Approval

Action(s):

Approve the new course Makerspace Engineering and Design. This motion, made by Sarah Holmgrain and seconded by Kari Petersen, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carey Case: Absent
Sarah Holmgrain: Yea
Katie Holmlund: Yea
Kari Petersen: Yea
Marc Taylor: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Discussion: HS teacher, Dustin Crump, presented about a new course to the catalog. The course would be called Makerspace Engineering and Design. In this course, students would design and build interactive systems using robotics, physical computing, and user-centered design... reusing the framework of most computer science/design courses (the INPUT > PROCESS > OUTPUT > FEEDBACK loop) See the attached letter.

16.4. Out of State Travel - Music Program

Action(s):

Approve out-of-state travel during the 2026-2027 school year to the music program for the presented trip to Honolulu. This motion, made by Sarah Holmgrain and seconded by Katie Holmlund, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carey Case: Absent
Sarah Holmgrain: Yea
Katie Holmlund: Yea

Kari Petersen: Yea

Marc Taylor: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Discussion: Music teacher Chelsea Corrao presented regarding out-of-state travel and the music program. She would like to lead a group on an out-of-state trip over spring break in the 26-27 school year. Both band and choir would be invited to join, and travel would include approx 40 students. Although the LA trip was included in the board packet. Mrs. Corrao presented a trip to Hawaii as an option as well.

16.5. Pre-Kindergarten Family Engagement Review

Discussion: The board reviewed the Pre-Kindergarten Family Engagement materials and had no objection.

16.6. Discussion: Draft FY27 Budget presentation

Discussion: Finance Director Baird presented a draft FY 27 budget and spoke about budget considerations.

16.7. Discussion: June Meeting Date Reschedule

Discussion: The board agreed to reschedule the June meeting to June 8th at 6pm.

16.8. Discussion: Staff Appreciation May 4th - 8th

Discussion: The board discussed continuing the tradition of the Staff breakfast and agreed to change locations to the Elementary library for this year.

17. **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Discussion: None

18. **UPCOMING DATES AND MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

19. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

20. **OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

21. **ADJOURNMENT**

Action(s):

Adjourn. This motion, made by Sarah Holmgrain and seconded by Katie Holmlund, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carey Case: Absent

Sarah Holmgrain: Yea

Katie Holmlund: Yea

Kari Petersen: Yea

Marc Taylor: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Discussion: Board adjourned at 7:58pm

Board President

Board Secretary