

Work Session/Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 11, 2020 5:00 PM

NES Library, 1057 E 5th Ave, Nome, Alaska 99762

- A. **Call to Order**
- B. **Opportunity for Public Comments on Agenda/Non-agenda Items**
(3 minutes per speaker, 30 minutes aggregate)
- C. **Items for Discussion**
 - 1. Update on the Smart Start Plan
- D. **Adjournment**
- E. **Call to Order**
 - 1. Pledge of Allegiance
 - 2. Nome Public Schools Mission Statement
 - 3. Roll Call
 - 4. Approval of Agenda
- F. **Consent Agenda**
(Routine matter considered for approval as one motion. Any item can be pulled for separate consideration).
 - 1. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting: June 9, 2020
 - 2. Approval of June 2020 Disbursements
 - 3. Approval of July 2020 Disbursements
- G. **Awards and Presentations**
 - 1. Introductions of Guests & Visitors
 - 2. Discussion of NPD Community Policing Grant
- H. **Opportunity for Public Comments on Agenda/Non-agenda Items**
(3 minutes per speaker, 30 minutes aggregate)
- I. **Superintendent Report**
- J. **Information & Reports**
 - 1. Director Reports
 - 2. Business Manager Report
- K. **Action Item**
 - 1. Second Reading of Board Policies
 - 2. Approval of Beltz Swimming Pool Repairs
 - 3. Resolution Supporting NPS Re-Opening Plan
 - 4. Approval of Labor Costs for Beltz Campus Boiler #2 Rebuild
- L. **Board and Superintendent's Comments & Committee Reports**
- M. **Upcoming Events:**
- N. **Adjournment**



Our Mission

We inspire and empower students to be culturally grounded responsible citizens who are deeply connected to our community and world.

Our Vision

Together, strong in identity, purpose, potential

Board and Superintendent Guiding Principles

- ✦ Works to ensure academic success for all students
- ✦ Works to promote positive community partnerships
- ✦ Provides leadership and support to ensure reading proficiency by 3rd Grade
- ✦ Supports the recruitment and retention of effective staff

Board and Superintendent Goals

- ✦ Provide the resources for the development and adoption of curriculum as per Board Policy (BP 6141).
- ✦ Support the integration of a student's culture in the curriculum within the context of the community through implementation of the Alaska standards for culturally responsive schools.
- ✦ Work to ensure all students feel connected to their peers and the adults in their schools by improving school climate.

Nome Public Schools Director of Technology Report

Jim Shreve
11 August 2020

Major projects from March 2020 - August 2020

ViewSonic - Tech Dept personnel installed all 36 ViewSonic interactive displays to replace classroom teacher Promethean Boards. Training for this new equipment is complete for all but one returning teacher. New hires and remaining returning teacher scheduled to receive their training on 13 August or prior to 20 August (quarantine dependent).

CloudReady / NeverWare conversion - Over 350 student Apple devices converted to ChromeOS. This allows us to extend the life of the majority of our Apple devices out to 13 years from device model year release date for an average cost of \$50 per device versus a full replacement at 5-6 years at a cost of \$1,100 per Apple device or \$200 per new ChromeOS device. This solution equates to a tremendous cost savings to the Tech Dept and allows us to convert to a more affordable lifecycle replacement schedule for our student devices. Thanks again to Nate Tracy, our Systems Administrator, for discovering and researching this cost saving effort.

Security Cameras - nearing 100% completion of the install of the new security cameras for Nome Public Schools. Thanks to Justin Heinrich for assisting with the cable and camera installs this Summer! We had 42 of 50 cameras installed and ready to go live with our license start date on July 1st. Site Admins have received invites for their access accounts and I will schedule training on the system with them in the coming weeks. There are a two more exterior cameras to install at the NES main entry ramp once conduit installation is completed by the Maintenance Dept. Signage printing and posting is continuing to ensure compliance with the pending Board Policy.

PowerSchool Online Enrollment and PowerSchool Server update - a large amount of work went into refining and adjusting Nome Public Schools instance of PS Enrollment in order to align with the adoption of Student Contacts changes with the newly installed update to our PowerSchool server as well as to conform to customizations we have installed in our environment. The system went live the evening of July 30th. As of August 5th there are over 125 New or Returning Student Enrollments already submitted. On August 10th all NPS Registrars received refresher training on the PS Enrollment process as well as an overview of the changes in the PowerSchool Student Information System update to version 20.4.1.

Updates for Network Equipment (E-Rate Category II) - 3 additional (NBHS) and 4 improved (NES) Access Points to provide a more robust WiFi environment in our classrooms arrived as part of our Category II Internet equipment purchase for SY20-21. We also received 3 Power over Ethernet (PoE) capable switches to enable the replacement of over 20 PoE injectors (individual power converters that require separate electrical plugins for each injector) throughout the district. These switches will not only save a lot of space in our network cabinets by removing the individual injectors but will ultimately decrease energy consumption, thus saving the district money. We receive 85% reimbursement for qualifying Category II equipment installed in school buildings with students under the E-Rate program. Installation of this new equipment is scheduled for completion by August 14th.

Conversion of Mobile Device Management solution. As a cost saving measure of approximately \$2,400 per year we have changed the Mobile Device Management (MDM) solution for our iPads from Meraki to JAMF. JAMF is also the solution we use for managing all of our staff Apple Mac devices as well as a handful of student Apple Mac devices so it made sense to place all of our management for Apple devices (iMacs, MacBooks, and iPads) under one solution. While this required a lot of work to set everything up, remove and wipe iPad devices from the old solution, and enroll our 280+/- student iPad devices into the new solution, we are already seeing additional benefits of an increase in the speed of enrollment, loading of device apps, and additional controls for maintaining Child Internet Protection Act compliance (especially if we need to convert to remote learning).



Nome Public Schools

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Education
Thru: Jamie Burgess, Superintendent
From: Genevieve Hollins, Contracted CFO
Alaska Education & Business Services, Inc.
Date: August 4, 2020
Subject: **Financial Narrative**

Welcome back and welcome to fiscal year 2021! We are busy preparing for the FY2020 audit, as well as readying for the setup of FY2021 new hires in Payroll, and getting back into the swing of larger batches of Accounts Payable and Purchasing. In addition, we are sitting in on quite a lot of Zoom meetings as most I'm sure have.

FY2020 Summary

Attached please find the FY2020 Financial Reports for the General Fund, Pupil Transportation, Food Service, and the Nome-Beltz Apartments through June 30, 2020. These include fund balances for each fund. We are working on finishing up the closing of FY2020 for audit, so there may be slight changes.

Health Insurance

The District's claims experience during FY20 was lower than anticipated and the District expects to receive of 50% of the savings during FY21 after all the run-out claims from FY20 have been paid.

Grant Reimbursements

FY2020 grant reimbursements were submitted timely!

Fund Balance

On March 11, 2020 the Governor suspended the 10% fund balance requirement for the General Operating Fund of School Districts. We are now able to keep the \$487,904 in the General Fund for expense in FY2021! A copy of the Order is *attached*.

Payroll

This year teachers will receive their first FY2021 contract payment on August 31st. This is one month earlier than previous years and was approved under the new NEA Negotiated Agreement. That should help to create some contented onboarding for new hires!

The Payroll Clerk position this year has been reduced to part-time. We have streamlined a lot of the paperwork so that the position can be reduced. We welcome Trisha Walters to the position and are excited to have her on the team!

Food Service

The FY2021 meal reimbursement rates increased, which is great news because that will help offset our contracted rate increase with NMS. Additionally, there are quite a few waivers for this fiscal year that we are completing to ensure that there are no interruptions to meal service.

CARES-ACT (COVID-19) Funding

The District received two grants related to the CARES ACT and those funds will carryover to FY2021 to be expended.

Student Accident Insurance

Alaska Municipal Joint League Insurance Association (AMLJIA) drafted a nice packet of information for FY2021 related to Student Accident insurance. The District carries Student Accident insurance as part of our binder with AMLJIA. However, AMLJIA has sought out a 3rd party to administer optional/voluntary Student Accident and Health Insurance for families if they so desire. The information is being disseminated to students' families and is posted on the District's website.

Thank you & have a great year!



Governor Michael J. Dunleavy
STATE OF ALASKA

****COVID-19 DISASTER ORDER OF SUSPENSION No. 3****

**RELATING TO THE SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE
ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND ALASKA STATUTES
AFFECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, a Public Health Disaster Emergency was declared under AS 26.23.020 in anticipation of the spread of the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19; and

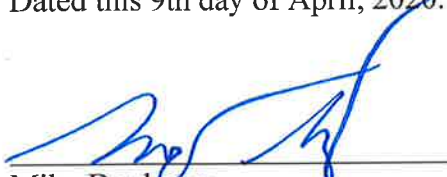
WHEREAS, to prevent the spread of the disease caused by the coronavirus (COVID-19), the Governor of the State of Alaska is issuing Order No. 3 based on his authority under the Public Health Disaster Emergency Declaration signed on March 11, 2020, and subsequently extended by the Alaska Legislature until November 15, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Dunleavy, Governor of the State of Alaska, pursuant to the authority vested in me under AS 26.23.020, do hereby find that strict compliance with the statutes and regulations of the Department of Education and Early Development as specifically set forth in this Order, would prevent, impede, or delay actions necessary to cope with the COVID-19 Public Health Disaster Emergency, and that the language of each provision specified below be suspended until 11:59 p.m. on July 1, 2020.

The suspensions set forth in this Order have the power of law and shall supersede all conflicting laws during the duration of the suspension.

<u>Authority</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Suspended as described below</u>
AS 14.17.505	Finance & Support Services	To suspend the requirement that school districts retain only 10% of their operating funds for the following year.
4 AAC 09.160	Finance & Support Services	To suspend the requirement that school districts retain only 10% of their operating funds for the following year.

Dated this 9th day of April, 2020.



Mike Dunleavy
Governor

Covid-19 Disaster Order Of Suspension No. 3
April 9, 2020