Special Board Meeting

Monday, July 19, 2021 5:30 PM
NES Library, 1057 E 5th Ave, Nome, Alaska 99762

A. **Call to Order**
1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Nome Public Schools Mission Statement
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda

B. **Opportunity for Public Comments on Agenda/Non-agenda Items (3 minutes per speaker, 30 minutes aggregate)**

C. **Board Candidate Interviews**
1. Bob Metcalf

D. **Action Item**
1. Board Candidate Appointment
2. Approval of 5 Year Transportation Contract

E. **Swearing In of New Board of Education Member**

F. **Board and Superintendent's Comments & Committee Reports**

G. **Upcoming Events:**
- **Tuesday, August 10, Regular Meeting, 5:30 pm, NES Library**
- **Tuesday, August 24, Work Session, 5:30 pm, NES Library**

H. **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.

Public Comment Statement

The Board of Education welcomes community member input during meetings about issues on or not on the agenda. The Board is not able to respond directly to you during Public Comment; the Board may decide at the end of the meeting during Board Member Comment to discuss your topic at a work session, regular meeting, or direct the Superintendent to look into a situation further.

The Board may not speak about subjects that are protected by legal confidentiality such as specific student discipline issues or personnel issues that could disparage or slander district employees.

The general guideline is approximately three minutes per speaker; however, additional time is allowable if needed. When you speak to the Board, please state your first and last name for the record.

July 9, 2021

Mrs. Sandy Martinson, President
Board of Education
Nome Public Schools
PO Box 131
Nome, Alaska 99762

Re: School Board Vacancy

Dear Mrs. Martinson:

In response to Nome Public Schools' notice regarding the current vacancy on the School Board, I respectfully submit this letter asking that I be considered. I don't take this step lightly, but I want to ensure the School Board has a variety of qualified, committed people to select from.

As you may know, I am a 45 year resident of Nome with a couple of years living in Savoonga with my wife, Vera, and family, and that I retired from Northwest Campus after 28 years working in registration, advising, and eventually as director. This has led me to an educational leadership philosophy that 1) Education is a change agent; 2) All active study must be endorsed and supported, whether academic, vocational, or cultural and identity; 3) Scholarship and expertise in any of these must be recognized and celebrated; and 4) Inquiry and discovery connects all scholars, educators, and learners. I believe these to be consistent with Nome Public Schools Mission Statement and Goals. As I read the 2020 Strategic Plan, I was very glad to see these same beliefs reflected in the document's Aspirations. This plan is really powerful with goals and objectives that will provide solid direction for NPS.

Even with my background, I need to admit that I'm unsure that a retired, white male is a needed perspective for our School Board. Even though I do recognize my privilege and consciously refuse to apply my personal educational journey to our Nome or Bering Strait context, I understand that this could be a consideration. However, I have family and dear friends with children attending our schools, and I will always keep each in mind when listening and discussing NPS policies and issues.

Lastly, I would like to sincerely thank the recent and current School Boards for creating change to a more inclusive, relevant school system. The quality of life in Nome greatly depends on what happens in our schools and if I can help this progress, I'll gladly serve. Thank you for your consideration, and, if invited I look forward to our discussion on July 19.

Sincerely,



Bob Metcalf
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Nome, Alaska 99762

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SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNICATION

Title: Board Candidate Appointment

Date: July 19, 2021

Administrator: Jamie Burgess, Superintendent

Attachments: Letters of Interest

X	**Action Needed**		**For Discussion**		**Information**		**Other**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Per BB 9223, board vacancies are required to be filled within 30 days of the vacancy by Board Appointment. The District has advertised locally regarding the vacancy and has solicited letters of interest from qualified candidates.

Pursuant to Board interviews conducted at this meeting, a provisional appointee will be selected by majority vote at a public meeting. The person appointed shall hold office until the next regularly scheduled election in October and shall be afforded all the powers and duties of a Board member upon appointment.

Bob Metcalf was the sole community member submitting a letter of interest, and meets the qualifications as set out in BB 9223.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends that the Board appoint Bob Metcalf to the Board of Education for Nome Public Schools.

Sample Motion: I nominate Bob Metcalf as a member of the Board of Education for Nome Public Schools.

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SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNICATION

Title: Approval of Five Year Transportation Contract

Date: July 20, 2021

Administrator: Jamie Burgess, Superintendent and Genevieve Hollins, Business Manager

Attachments: FY22-FY26 Morgan Enterprises Transportation Contract

☐ **Action Needed** ☐ **For Discussion** ☐ **Information** ☐ **Other**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The District disseminated a Request for Proposal for transportation services for the five year period FY22-FY26 and received one response from Morgan Enterprises. The costs for proposed services are reasonable, and the contract contains a clause providing an opportunity for adjustment based on the reimbursement rate from the State of Alaska as well as the Consumer Price Index. DEED has reviewed and approved the Proposal.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administrative recommends approval of the five year contract with Morgan Enterprises for FY22-FY26.

Sample Motion: I move to approve the five year contract with Morgan Enterprises for FY22-FY26.

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PUPIL TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT

BETWEEN NOME PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND MORGAN ENTERPRISES, LLC.
FY 2022 - FY 2026
(July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026)

This contract is entered into this ___ day of July, 2021 by and between Nome Public Schools (hereinafter referred to as "District") and Morgan Enterprises, LLC. (hereinafter referred to as "Contractor").

The State of Alaska and the District provide for the transportation of all pupils to attendance centers specified by the District. These services and students are identified and specified in the Pupil Transportation Service Request for Proposal 21-001. The Contractor affirms by signature below that they have read all of the provisions of the Request for Proposal and all explanations sent via email and understand and agree that these documents are part of the contract between the Contractor and the District. The Contractor further agrees to furnish pupil transportation services as specified in these documents for the life of the contract, and to complete Pupil Transportation Program reports as specified in the Request for Proposal and/or as required by the State of Alaska Department to Education.

The term of this contract is for five (5) years, beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, with the first day of school beginning on August 25, 2021 and ending with the closing of the 2025-2026 school year.

The District hereby waives the performance bond requirement.

The Contractor agrees to furnish transportation services at a compensation rate of $2,998.15 per day for all 3 regular routes during the 2021-2022 school year. The second and remaining years (2022-2023 through 2025-2026) will be adjusted up or down with a cost-of-living allowance (COLA) to coincide with the Average Daily Membership (ADM) reimbursement rate from the State and the annual change in Consumer Price Index (CPI). Additionally, in the second and remaining years, the District will increase the base by 1 percent each year.

NOME PUBLIC SCHOOLS	**MORGAN ENTERPRISES, LLC.**
_____	_____
Jamie Burgess, Superintendent	Stan Morgan, Member
Date:_____	Date:_____

NOME PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Contract Rate FY2022
Year 1
July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022

RUN	DAILY RATE	TOTAL
Regular runs (3)	$996.05	$2988.15
Total Daily Rate:	$996.05 x 3 runs	$2988.15
Grand Total FY 2022:	**$2988.15 x 171 days**	**$510,973.65**

OATH OF OFFICE

I, _____, do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Alaska and that I will honestly, faithfully, and impartially discharge my duties as a school board member to the best of my ability.

Sec. 14.12.090