

**Board Legislative Committee Meeting, by Zoom
February 7, 2022
Meeting Notes**

Call to Order & Land Acknowledgement Statement

Through video conference, Board President and Committee Chair Jennifer Luke called the Legislative Committee Meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. She read the Land Acknowledgement Statement, "As a committee of the school board, we would like to take this moment to respectfully acknowledge we are residing on the traditional land of the Dena (pronounced duhNAY) people."

Mission Statement

Chair Luke read the district's Mission Statement: *Our mission is to provide an excellent, equitable education in a safe, supportive environment so all students will succeed and contribute to a diverse and changing society.*

Roll Call [0:00:31]

Committee Members Present & Comprising a Quorum:

Jennifer Luke, Committee Chair & Board President
April Smith, Board Committee Representative
Erin Morotti, Board Committee Representative
Karen Melin, Chief School Administrator
Cori Anthony, FPA President
Danielle Logan, ESSA President
Sandi Ryan, FEA President
Janet Farris, Community Representative

Absent & Excused:

None

Staff Present:

John Ringstad, District Lobbyist
Andreau DeGraw, Chief Operations Officer
Jahanara Carreon, Executive Director of Facilities Management
Rebecca Hurbi, Executive Director of Communications, Development & Engagement
Sharon Tuttle, Executive Assistant to the Board & Committee Administrative Support

Adoption of the Agenda [0:01:29]

LOGAN MOVED, SMITH SECONDED, TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AND THE MEETING NOTES OF THE JANUARY 19, 2022 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

Asking for and hearing no objection to adopting the agenda and meeting notes, Chair Luke moved the agenda adopted and the meeting notes approved.

Education Issues/Legislative Update [0:02:09]

John Ringstad, district lobbyist, reported on:

- Scheduling meetings in Juneau with legislators;
- Legislation:
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 - Two Base Student Allocation (BSA) bills introduced
 - Increase to the BSA
 - Cost of living consideration

Education Issues/Legislative Update (continued)

- SB 72: Secondary School Civics Education;
- SB 80: Public Schools: Mental Health Education;
- HB 220: Retirement Systems; Defined Benefit Option; and
- Education Funding.

2022-2023 Legislative Priorities Work [0:45:57] (5:45 pm)

Karen Melin, chief school administrator, and Rebecca Hurbi, executive director of communications, development and engagement, reviewed the draft legislative priorities drafted from the committee's input from the January 19, 2022 Meeting. The discussion on priorities included:

Document Design Suggestions & Modifications;
Base Student Allocation Funding;
Inflation Concerns;
District Data Information; and
Suggestion to Make the Document more Concise.

The administration would make the committee's suggested revisions to the document and the document would be brought before the full board for approval.

The committee meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Submitted by Sharon Tuttle, Legislative Committee administrative support & Board of Education executive assistant.