



Academic Policy Committee  
September 11, 2025 \* 758 N. Shoreline Drive Wasilla, AK

## Minutes

### The Charter Vision:

Our vision is that our children and youth become life-long learners and are successful in their chosen path.

**Our Mission:** Our children and youth receive a world-class education through exceptional Alaska Native culture and values-based learning opportunities preparing them for success in their future endeavors.

- Land Acknowledgement & Invocation- *Esther*
- Call to Order *5:07 PM*
- Roll Call
  - Elena Gorovaya *Present*
  - Esther Shade *Present*
  - Sara Engen *Present*
  - Nicole Kalmakoff *Present*
  - Geraldine Nicoli-Ayonayon *Present*
  - Emily Pendergast *Present*
- Approval of current Agenda *Emily makes motion to approve agenda, Esther seconds, motion carried*
- Approval of Minutes for August 14, 2025 with Amendum *Esther makes motion to approve minutes, Elena seconds, motion carried.*

### 1. Committee Reports & Updates

#### A. Principal report

*Student Population:*

- A. In-person 182*
- B. Blended 20*
- C. Correspondence 17*
- D. Total 219*

*Staffing:*

- A. Angelina Gromoff: new Charter assistant converted from recess monitor*
- B. .875 Tutor Advisor open, position closes 9/15*
- C. Building Substitute: Open until filled*
- D. Counselor Support: Stacy Shaffer, Graduation Success Coach, 8 hours per week to help with scheduling and counseling support w/ Richard Gressett on leave*



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### *Upcoming Events and Activities:*

- A. 9/12: Field trip to UAA Aviation Center. Anchorage
- B. 9/12: MAP, DIBELS, Fall testing wrapping up
- C. Next Week: EarthQuake, Bomb, and Intruder alert drills
- D. 9/26 Professional Learning day
  - a. STEAM and KCS Staff 2nd Semester Planning
    - i. Tribe has a digital cadaver table for health classes. Jason to check if class can use
  - b. Elementary DATA Dialogs
  - c. Title I planning
  - d. Guiding Coalition Planning

### **2. New Business**

- A. Seat A Knik Tribe Appointed to Nicole Kalmakoff to fill 3 years
- B. Seat F 3 Applicants, Marcia, Carrie, Hillary
  - a. Jason to send out letter on interests to parents tomorrow. Parents will vote and voting will close on Monday 9/15
  - b. Jason will announce the selection and will send out invite to selected member
- C. FY26 Additions:
  - a. Add part time counselor Stacy Shaffer 2 hours per day
  - b. Add 10 days for Jason and office staff to allow time for set up and be more efficient
    - i. Emily motion to approve, Nicole seconds, motion carries

### **3. Old Business**

- A. No old business

### **4. Persons to be heard & Member Comments**

*Emily - Questions what security and security protocol school has in place for active shooter and/or aggressive individuals*

- A. PA System - 4 buttons but only 1 set up for alarm.
  - a. Need intruder and stay put alert added
- B. "Blue Box" in Jason's office - Intruder repellent, locked box repellent is a pepper spray
- C. Locked portable doors - was noted that they may not always be locked due to propped open if it's hot or students going to the bathroom
- D. Campus Security - No gate currently but working on putting one at main entrance
- E. In case of incidence must call 911 and use what is at disposal to limit harm - must be non-lethal due to district insurance
  - a. Jason to reach out to police department to get location on notice



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*Requested changes*

- A. 3 more "Blue Boxes" so each corner of the campus has one*
- B. Trauma kits in 4 corners of the campus (each portable already has first aid kits)*
- C. Basic first aid training and Stoop the Bleed Training for interested personnel*
- D. Signs on campus stating that visitors must stop and sign-in in Main Office*
- E. Cameras - Jason to get more training to navigate through different views*

**5. Date and time of next meeting and adjournment**

*Motion to adjourn by Emily, Esther seconds. Adjourn 5:58 PM. Next meeting October 9th 2025 at 5:00pm.*