

Native Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

ASD Education Center
5530 Northern Lights Blvd., Blue Room

Wednesday, September 25, 2024
5:30-7:30 PM

I. Welcome and Introductions

NAC Members & staff introduced themselves.

A. Roll Call

Present

Absent

Staff

Guest

Jennifer M-C	Mario C	Jaime G	
Patricia H	Mary A	Alexis G	
Patrick H	Melanie M-W	Likka M	
Kimberly S		Diana B	
Lakota H		Melonie-Anne B	

A quorum was reached.

II. Call to order

Jennifer called the meeting 5:43

a. Roll Call -

Quorum was met

b. Approval of Agenda & Meeting Minutes

Motion was made to approve by Patricia. Partick seconded. All in favor motion carried

III. Vote for Student Seats

A. Seat 1

B. Seat 2

C. Seat 3

No students present. Voting was postponed until the next meeting.

IV. Reviewal of By-Laws

Jennifer asked to postpone until the next meeting as they were unable to meet.

V. Program Updates

A. Supervisor

Jaime spoke about the Gui Kima and Title VI APR being due in October.

We have 5 staff attending the NIEA conference this year where our Department will be doing a presentation.

We are working to select students and chaperones to attend the Elders and Youth conferences. Grades 6-12 are able to attend this year.
Denina Land Acknowledgement posters have gone out to all schools.
Jennifer wanted to know if the Land Acknowledgement could be translated into Yup'ik and read at schools.
ASD Chinan Spotlight formerly known as Qujana Spotlight.
Jaime asked Jennifer to follow up with her about site visits

B. Financial Report

Patrick was curious to know how last year's budget compared to this year. Members were interested in seeing Gui Kima and Alaska Strong's budget

C. Teacher Expert

Alexis spoke about her outreach to schools and forming partnerships with them. Two schools have signed up for ongoing PD.
Working on the Fashion Show.
We have a new internal website to help support schools with resources and lessons.
Working on our Social Media communications.
Working with the Science and Social Studies curriculum for families.

D. Gui Kima

Cyndi is starting her new Cohort : Knowing Who I Am (Becoming). It is an afterschool program that will run from October 1 to December 18th

E. Alaska Strong

Diana spoke about her last cohort and how she will be working with Ralph in the future for a combined cohort. Diana shared some of Ralph's photos. Ralph's last cohort families got to fish, berry pick and go to the Alaska Zoo.
They will be focusing on AFN.

VI. Public Comments

Jennifer wanted to know if there was a way to help recruit student members.
Entice students by saying it looks good on College references.
UAS- working to indigenize AK education.
AK Native Languages- put on hold
Lakota asked about comments that need to be made at the school board.
Two interviews for directors next week.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:47pm