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MEETING MINUTES

ASSEMBLY CHAMBERS 350 EAST DAHLIA AVENUE, PALMER

JOINT ASSEMBLY/SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

4:00 PM

TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

The joint meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly and School District was held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018, at the Borough Assembly Chambers. The meeting was called to order at 4 p.m. by Mayor Vern Halter.

II. ASSEMBLY ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Assemblymember Jim Sykes, Assemblymember Matthew Beck, Assemblymember George McKee, Assemblymember Dan Mayfield, Assemblymember Barbara J. Doty, and Assemblymember Randall Kowalke

Excused 1 - Assemblymember Ted Leonard

SCHOOL BOARD ROLL CALL

School Board Member Michaelson, School Board President Donna Dearman, School Board Member Deborah Retherford (arrived at 4:07 p.m.), School Board Member Sara Welton, School Board Member Ole Larson, and School Board Member Kelsey Trimmer.

School Board Member Yvonne Ruth was absent and excused.

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented without objection.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The audience led the pledge of allegiance.

V. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

The following person spoke to concerns with the public process: Mr. Eugene Carl Haberman.

The following person spoke to concerns with the tax cap formula legislation: Mr. Robert Hall

The following person spoke to concerns with student bench mark testing and students having the ability to opt out: Ms. Dee McKee.

The following person spoke in support of full funding for the School District: Mr. Tim Walter, Mat-Su Education Association President.

VI. JOINT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

A. Annual Budget and Bonding for Schools (MSB2.12.075(A))

Dr. Monica Goyette, School District Superintendent and Mr. Luke Fulp, Assistant Superintendent, presented the School District's fiscal year 2019 budget.

Dr. Goyette requested that Item D. be taken up as the next item of business.

Mayor Halter queried if there was any objection.

There was no objection noted.

D. Independent Review by Government Finance Officers Association (Requested by the School Board)

Mr. Matt Bubness and Mr. Vincent Reitano, of the Government Finance Officers Association presented their findings of the School District's audit.

B. Safe Routes to Schools (Requested by School Board)

18-030 School Board Resolution 18-002

Sponsors: Borough Manager

[Clerk's Note: There was no presentation provided and this item of business was continued to the next joint Assembly/School Board meeting.]

C. Acquisition of School Facilities with Certificates of Participation (Requested by School Board)

18-031

School Board Resolution 18-003

Sponsors: Borough Manager

Mr. Luke Fulp, Assistant Superintendent, provided a presentation regarding acquisition of school facilities with certificates of

participation.

VII. MAYOR, ASSEMBLY, SCHOOL BOARD, AND STAFF COMMENTS

School Board Member Retherford thanked the body for the meeting and staff for the presentations.

School Board Member Michaelson echoed the comments of School Board Member Retherford.

School Board Member Larson spoke to his appreciation of the meeting and all the work that went into the presentations.

School Board Member Trimmer stated that he appreciates the continuing relationship with the Assembly.

School Board Member Welton thanked everyone for their comments and all the hard work done to prepare for meeting.

School Board President Dearman thanked School District leadership for their hard work and thanked body for joint meeting.

Mayor Halter apologized that the meeting was so rushed.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:49 p.m.



Mayoral Signature and Clerk Attestment

For

April 3, 2018, Joint Assembly/School Board Meeting Minutes (3 pages)

VERN HALTER, Borough Mayor

ATTEST:

LONNIE R. McKECHNIE, CMC, Borough Clerk

Minutes Approved: 04/17/18