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### **State Board to Meet June 15-17 in Juneau**

JUNEAU -- The State Board of Education & Early Development will hold a regularly scheduled meeting on June 16 & 17, 2016, at the state boardroom, first floor, Goldbelt Building, 801 West 10th Street, Juneau. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. June 16 and at 8:30 a.m. June 17.

See [https://education.alaska.gov/State Board/pdf/16-June-Packet.pdf](https://education.alaska.gov/State_Board/pdf/16-June-Packet.pdf)

The board will hold an executive session from 8:00 a.m. to noon on June 15 at the above location to interview finalists for the position of commissioner. Executive sessions are closed to the public.

The board will hold a retreat from 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on June 15 and from 8:00 a.m. to noon on June 16 at the above location to discuss strategic planning. The retreat is open to the public.

At its regular meeting, the board will take public comment on agenda and non-agenda items starting at approximately 1:15 p.m. June 16. Comment at this oral hearing is limited to three minutes per person and five minutes per group. Public comment can be made for this meeting, during this time only, by calling 1-844-586-9085 if you are outside of Juneau. For participation from Juneau, call 586-9085.

This meeting will be streamed through the Legislative Information Office over <http://www.alaskalegislature.tv/> (audio only) beginning at 1:00 p.m. on June 16 and at 8:30 a.m. June 17. Click on the meeting name to listen to the proceedings. When public comment is over, the meeting will continue to be broadcast at the above web site.

Oral comment also can be made by visiting your local Legislative Information Office (LIO). The following LIO's will participate: Anchorage, Bethel, Fairbanks, Juneau, Kenai, Ketchikan, Kodiak, Mat-Su, Nome, Seward, and Sitka. For more information about LIO's, call 907-465-4648.

The purpose of the meeting is to hold a work session and a business meeting. Topics at the work session include an update on the Every Student Succeeds Act, the role of Teacher of the Year with the board, bylaw changes, privacy of student data, a resolution supporting the Alaska Postsecondary Access & Completion Network, House Bill 278, the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation. Also, regulations to go out for public comment regarding highly qualified status and retired teacher certificates, and regulations for adoption regarding educator evaluations and SAT scores.

Topics at the business meeting include the regulations mentioned above, appointment of a Commissioner of Education & Early Development, board subcommittee appointments, selection of board meeting dates and locations, selection of board officers, standing reports on libraries, archives and museums, teaching and learning support, assessment and accountability, Mt. Edgecumbe High School, legislative and budget, the attorney general's office, and the commissioner. Also, the consent agenda regarding minutes of the March 21 & 22 and May 2 meetings, bylaw changes, extension of board approval of the University of Alaska Anchorage School of Education, and resolution of support for the Alaska Postsecondary Access & Completion Network.

The board may amend its published agenda. Agenda times are estimates only, and the board may consider agenda items out of order without amending its agenda.

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