

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE February 23, 2022

## State Board of Education & Early Development to Meet March 1-2

JUNEAU -- The Alaska State Board of Education and Early Development will hold a regular quarterly meeting and a professional development workshop on March 1-2, 2022, in Juneau. Both the professional development workshop and the board meeting will be held at the Andrew P. Kashevaroff (APK) Building at 395 Whittier Street. The workshop will begin at 8:45 a.m. on March 1, 2022, and the quarterly board meeting will begin on March 1, 2022, at 2:00 p.m.

Public participation for the meeting will be in person and through the Legislative Information Office (LIO). The board will take public comment on agenda and non-agenda items starting at approximately 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 1. Oral comment is limited to three minutes per person and five minutes per group. Public comment may be made for this meeting during this time only, in person or by calling 1-844-586-9085 if you are outside of Juneau or Anchorage. For participation from Anchorage, call 563-9085 and from Juneau, call 586-9085.

This meeting will be live-streamed through the LIO at http://www.akl.tv (audio only) beginning at 8:45 a.m. on March 1, 2022 and again at 11:00 a.m. on March 2, 2022. Click on the meeting name to listen to the proceedings. When public comment is over, the meeting will continue to be broadcasted at the above website.

The purpose of the meeting is to hold a professional development workshop, work session, and a business meeting. Topics at the professional development workshop include an update from the Division of Libraries, Archives and Museums on recovery and reopening efforts, State Board committee meetings; and committee reports and discussion. Topics at the work session include the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) School of Education, school construction and major maintenance lists, legislative and budget update, charter school renewals, joint Senate and House Education Committee hearing, regulations to go out for public comment in the areas of facilities publications, alternate assessment scores, and seal of biliteracy, and regulations for adoption in the areas of teacher certification, assessment participation guidelines, and native languages. The board will also hear a presentation from the Northwestern Alaska Career and Technical Center (NACTEC). Immediately following the work session, the advisory board of the Alaska Public School Trust Fund will hold its annual meeting on March 1, 2022 at 4:45 p.m. in the same location to review the trust's finances and investments.

Topics at the business meeting include votes to approve the UAA School of Education, school construction and major maintenance lists, charter school renewals, regulations to go out for public comment, and regulations for adoption, standing reports on the department's division, and the commissioner's report.

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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. The board also reserves the right to adjourn at a time later than estimated on the published agenda.

The board's meeting packet is available online at <u>https://education.alaska.gov/State\_Board</u> by clicking on the meeting date.

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The Alaska Department of Education and Early Development provides information, resources, and leadership to support over 130,000 students in 505 public schools across the state of Alaska. The mission of the department is to ensure an "**Excellent Education for Every Student Every Day**."

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