



NORTHWEST ARCTIC BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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NWABSD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Student Activities Committee Meeting

Agenda

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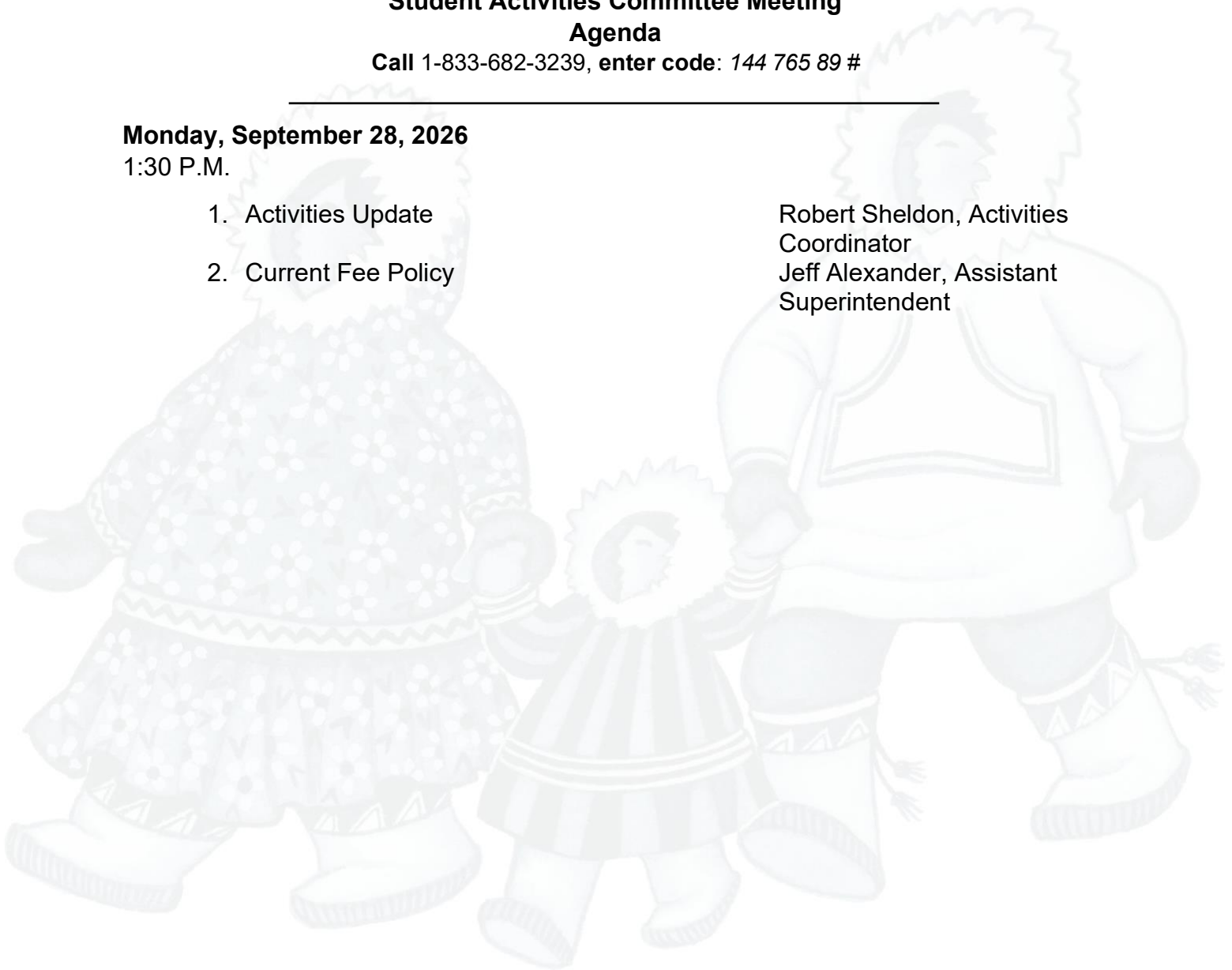
Monday, September 28, 2026

1:30 P.M.

1. Activities Update
2. Current Fee Policy

Robert Sheldon, Activities
Coordinator

Jeff Alexander, Assistant
Superintendent



Committee Members: Tillie Ticket, Lawrence Jones, Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus, Alice Melton-Barr
Staff: Jeff Alexander

MISSION: To provide a learning environment that inspires and challenges students and employees to excel.
VISION: To graduate all students with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for a successful future.



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BOARD OF EDUCATION - STUDENT ACTIVITIES REPORT

Monday, September 28, 2026

Prepared by Robert Sheldon II, Student Activities Coordinator

Student Activities Committee: Tillie Ticket | Jeanne Gerhardt-Cyrus | Lawrence Jones | Alice Melton-Barr | Shannon Melton

1. September/October Activities Update

Date	Event / Status
Sept. 4-5	Noorvik XC Invitational KMHS XC at Nome Invitational - results not posted Nome Volleyball at KMHS - Friday: Kotzebue 0, Nome 3; Saturday: Kotzebue 0, Nome 3
Sept. 9	First ASAA Mix Six Volleyball practice allowance
Sept. 11-12	Kotzebue XC Invitational KMHS Volleyball at Nome - Saturday matches: Kotzebue 1, Nome 3; Kotzebue 0, Nome 3
Sept. 18-19	Division III (1A) XC Championship at Kiana - top three boys and top three girls qualify for State KHS XC at Hutchison Invite Redington Volleyball at KMHS (NFHS Stream)
Sept. 25-26	Division II (3A) Big West XC Championship at Nome - top eight boys and girls, plus winning teams (7 per team), qualify for State KHS Volleyball at Barrow Triangular Tournament - Barrow, Bethel, Kotzebue (JV & Varsity) OTZ Student Government at AASG Fall Meeting in Healy
Sept. 30	First ASAA Wrestling practice allowance
Oct. 3	ASAA State XC Championships - Bartlett Trails, Anchorage Division III Boys - 10:00 a.m. Division III Girls - 11:00 a.m. Division II Boys - 12:00 p.m. Division I Boys - 12:45 p.m. Division II Girls - 1:30 p.m. Division I Girls - 2:15 p.m.
Oct. 16-17	KMHS at Nome Arctic Pinky Volleyball Tournament
Oct. 23-24	Mix Six Volleyball Conference Weekend #1 (NFHS Stream) Selawik site: WLK, BKC, KVL, WTK Deering site: DRG, ORV, IAN, SHG KHS Wrestling at Nikiski Tournament
Oct. 30-31	NWABSD Wrestling at Mountain City Christian Tournament, Anchorage

2. Region 1 Board of Directors Fall Meeting

Primary district item: Seek formal Region 1 approval of Selawik's 2027-28 reclassification appeal to remain at the 1A level. The district's rationale centers on geography, travel cost, scheduling, and the practical impact of competition structure despite current high school enrollment numbers.

3. ASAA Lifetime Gold Pass - Herman Ticket

Herman Ticket has been selected as the Region 1 recipient of the ASAA Lifetime Gold Pass, recognizing sustained and extraordinary service to student activities in Alaska.

Herman becomes the fifth NWABSD recipient, joining Mike Zibell of Noorvik (2020), Nate Kotch of Kotzebue (2021), Craig McConnell of Kotzebue (2023), and Tommy Wells of Kiana (2024).

His record of service includes 34 years in the Army, 44 years of employment with NWABSD, and approximately 40 years of coaching at the elementary, middle school, and high school levels. His impact extends well beyond Buckland and reflects decades of support for students, coaches, schools, and communities across the region.

4. Student Activities Committee - AR 6145, Section C: Participation Limits & Fees

The committee is reviewing current AR 6145 language concerning participation by qualifying alternative education students. Current language provides equal opportunity to participate and permits the District to establish activity fees and additional prorated expenses associated with participation.

Current comparative information: Of the districts contacted, North Slope Borough, Bering Strait, Lower Kuskokwim, Lake & Peninsula, Southwest Region, Kuspuk, Kashunamiut, Bristol Bay, Aleutians East Borough, St. Mary's, and Anchorage reported no participation fee. Fairbanks North Star Borough has been identified as having used a \$250 participation fee.

Committee purpose: Determine whether NWABSD should retain, revise, or remove the fee language in AR 6145 and develop a clear recommendation for administration and the Board of Education.

AR 6145 EXTRACURRICULAR AND COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Line C; Participation Limits and Fees

c. Participation Limits and Fees

A qualifying alternative education student who has been approved for participation will be given an equal opportunity to compete for positions and participate in extracurricular activities. For activities such as sports where students must try out for a team, the alternative education student is entitled to the same opportunity to try out and is not guaranteed a position on the team.

The student's School of Eligibility shall be determined in accordance with the current ASAA Handbook. Generally, the School of Eligibility is the public school the student would be eligible to attend based on the residence of the student's parent or legal guardian. A student may request to participate at another public school when good cause is established and the approvals required by ASAA are obtained.

The District may require the parent or alternative education student to pay an activity fee to pay for the cost of the student's participation in the activity. Further, the District may require the payment of additional expenses, to include a pro-rated portion of transportation, coaches' stipends, and uniforms and equipment. This amount will be determined for the activity annually and notice of the amount provided to the parent/home-school prior to participation.