# Alaska Association of School Business Officials Annual Conference



# Working for Alaska's Students December 5-7, 2022 Preconference Activities • December 3-4, 2022

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## Welcome to ALASBO's Annual Conference!

## Working for Alaska's Students December 3 – December 7, 2022

Welcome friends and colleagues to ALASBO's annual conference!

I can't begin to tell you how great it is to have this conference back in person again! While we can get professional development and business done over video conference, it is no substitute for the camaraderie and connections we make when we are all together. The friendships we develop from being together are just as beneficial as any professional development. Having someone to bounce ideas off, get a different perspective from, or just being able to vent to a person who understands your situation helps keep us on track and maintain our sanity. On that note, I look forward to seeing you all in some of the great sessions being offered including:

- Preconference, SBA and NBMI sessions on December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>
- Monday Lunch will feature the SBO of the Year Award
- **Keynote speakers** including Janice Litvin helping us Banish Burnout and Clint Campion giving us a legal update
- Roundtables on Monday to give a quick overview of various topics
- **Discussion Groups** that guide robust conversations about current topics
- Sessions that allow our resident experts to present best practices
- Vendor Exhibit Hall where sponsors showcase new and innovative ways to help us serve our students
- **Annual Meeting** on Wednesday at lunch to welcome our new ALASBO Board, conduct our annual business and give out great door prizes!

Being able to serve ALASBO as President for a year has been a wonderful experience. The friendships I've made and lessons I've learned will serve me for a lifetime. I am forever grateful that it culminates in being together again at our annual conference; however, none of this would be possible without the hard work and dedication of our ALASBO staff— Darcy, Melody and Jennifer who pulled this all together as well as all our generous sponsors who help make this wonderful event possible.

I'd like to thank our Board of Directors for their commitment to ALASBO and helping guide our organization to best serve our students and members. I'd also like to thank the Anchorage School District for encouraging and supporting my involvement in ALASBO and understanding the value that is gained from being part of this organization. Knowing that there may be rough roads ahead, I want to thank you all for *Working for Alaska's Students*!

Andy Ratliff President

## Alaska Association of School Business Officials (ALASBO)

## Mission

To promote the highest standards in school business practices.

## Vision

Educating stakeholders in the effective use of resources for the benefit of Alaska's children.

## Values

- Ethical standards
- Sharing knowledge and expertise
- Advancing the interests of all members
- Accurate, objective, consistent information
- Collegiality
- Efficiency
- Collaboration

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# ALASBO Annual Conference Working for Alaska's Students

## **CONFERENCE INFORMATION**

## VENDOR EXHIBITS

Suppliers of school related materials and services will be featured in the Mid Deck and Aft Deck on Monday all day and on Tuesday morning. Take the opportunities available within the schedule to visit all the vendors. An Exhibit Hall floor plan will be provided. Please thank the participating vendors for supporting ALASBO!

## **EVALUATION**

The conference evaluation will be done online! The link will be sent to you via email after the conference. Please take a few minutes to complete the surveys so we can continue to improve our programs.

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#### Executive Director: (Ex-Officio - non voting)

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> December 2023 David Nielsen, Business Manager Aleutians East Borough School District PO Box 429 Sand Point, AK 99661 907-383-5222 Email: dnielsen@aebsd.org

A complete listing of past Board members is available at www.alasbo.org, on the "About-Board of Directors" page

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ALASKA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICIALS COMMITTEES ~ 2022		
Members Name	School District	
<u>Audit Committee~ Reviews and recommen</u> <u>Alaska</u>	nds approval of financial reports prepared by a CPA firm for	
Reena Voivedich, Chair	Denali Borough School District	
Awards Committee~ Selects recipients of A	ALASBO administered grants and scholarships	
Liz Hayes, Chair	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District	
Bylaws Committee~ reviews and modifier Bylaws Article IX	s the ALASBO Bylaws as appropriate in accordance with	
Heather Heineken, Chair	Yukon-Koyukuk School District	
Legislative Committee~ Coordinates ALASBO's legislative activities. NOTE: The Legislative Committee is determined by ALASBO Policy		
Cassee Olin, Chair	Juneau School District	
Nominations Committee~ Recommends a slate of officers to the membership for a vote at the annual <u>meeting.</u> NOTE: The Nominations Committee is determined by the By-laws		
Jimmy Love, Chair Immediate Past President	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District	
Professional Development Committee~ Develops training opportunities for ALASBO membership		
Yodean Armour, Chair President Elect	Klawock City School District	
Services Committee~ Oversees the slideshow, works with the Historian and provides support for conferences		
Yodean Armour, Chair President Elect	Klawock City School District	
Sponsorship Committee~ Establishes fundraising criteria and implementation plan		
Darcy Carter, Chair	ALASBO	



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**School Business Official of the Year Award** – Nominations are accepted each fall for this prestigious award, sponsored by GCI. The recipient is selected by a committee made up of past recipients of the award.



## Congratulations to all past recipients:

1999	Dennis Niedermeyer	Lake & Peninsula School District
2000	Isabelle Harrington	Iditarod Area Schools
2001	Clara Langton	Nome Public Schools
2002	Lucienne Smith	North Slope Borough School District
2003	Tammy White	Yukon-Koyukuk School District
2004	Braxton "Eddy" Jeans	AK State Dept. of Education & Early Development
2005	Loreen Kramer	Copper River School District
2006	Kerry Jarrell	Bering Strait School District
2007	Melody Douglas	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
2008	Laura Hylton	Lake & Peninsula School District
2009	Janet Stokesbary	Anchorage School District
2010	René Spracklen	Copper River School District
2011	David Means	Juneau School District
2012	Dave Jones	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
2013	Jenny Martens	Lower Yukon School District
2014	Holly Holman	Unalaska City School District
2015	Laurie Olson	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
2016	Kim Johnson	Delta/Greely School District
2017	Colleen Fitzgerald	Fairbanks North Star Borough School District
2018	Karen Goodwin	Honorary Member
	Amy Lujan	Honorary Member
2019	Luke Fulp	Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District
2020	Karen Morrison	Petersburg School District
2021	Robbie MacManus	Alaska Gateway School District

## **ALASBO INVOLVED IN ASBO INTERNATIONAL**

## Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting – FY 2021

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## Meritorious Budget Award - FY 2021-2022

Kenai Peninsula Borough School District — 15 years or more Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District

## ALASBO Members Who Have Earned School Finance and Operations (SFO) Certification

Kristy Andrew, Consultant Melody Douglas, Associate Executive Director, ALASBO Luke Fulp, Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District Heather Heineken, Yukon-Koyukuk School District Philip Hulett, Dillingham City School District Laura M. Hylton, Lake & Peninsula School District Andrew Leavitt, Lower Yukon School District (not active) Amy Lujan, Honorary Member Jenny Martens, Honorary Member Karen Morrison, Petersburg City School District Robin Mullins, Honorary Member (not active) Cassee Olin, Juneau School District Laurie Olson, Honorary Member (not active) Lisa Pearce, Consultant Andrew Ratliff, Anchorage School District John Stackhouse, formerly with Yupiit School District Czarina (Reena) Voivedich, Denali Borough School District

## ALASBO INVOLVED IN ASBO INTERNATIONAL

<u>Outstanding Service to the Profession Eagle Award – 2003</u> Dave Jones, Kodiak Island Borough School District

## Pinnacle of Achievement Award

Lucienne Smith, North Slope Borough School District – 2006 Jim Anderson, Anchorage School District – 2020

<u>Distinguished Professional Eagle Award — 2008</u> Melody Douglas, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

<u>Emerging Leaders Scholarship – 2022</u> Sandy Friendshuh, Copper River School District

## ALASBO Members Serving On ASBO International Committees

Melody Douglas, ALASBO Heather Heineken, Yukon-Koyukuk SD Darcy Carter, ALASBO Ethics Committee, Chair Education Advisory Committee Affiliate Executive Directors Committee

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# Thank You to our Sponsors!

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## ALASBO 2022 PRECONFERENCE ACTIVITIES — Saturday and Sunday, December 3-4, 2022 Conference Agenda, December 5 – 7, 2022 – Hotel Captain Cook SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> 7:30 - 5:00 REGISTRATION 7:30 - 5:00 REGISTRATION 7:30 **EXHIBIT HALL OPENS** 7:30 - 8:30 Light Breakfast

Mid/Aft DeckFore DeckFore DeckFore Deck• Committee8:00 - 8:20 EndeavorNew Attendee Welcome • Melody Douglas9:00 - 10:30 Fore DeckKEYNOTE SPEAKER • Janice Litvin Banish Burnout: Move from Stress to Success9:15 - 10:00Like-Size Di Like-Size Di • Grant Ma • IT Progra • New Trar • Payroll Is	NG SESSION ee Meetings istricts Meet
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10:00 - 10:15     BREAK        • Successful Capital Project Admin         • Learning       • Let's Talk	
10:15 - 11:00Vendor Introductions12:30 - 1:30LUNCHEON• Minimizin• Bill Sutter, President,• NSLP Fo	ng Risk ood Services
11:00 - 11:30     Ice Breaker     ASBO International        • Student A	Activities
11:30 - 12:15       EXHIBIT HALL VISITS       1:45 - 2:30       SESSIONS       • Prep for B         12:15       1:00       • 7 Ways Enrollment Preparation       • 7 Ways Enrollment Preparation	Bargaining
Fore Deck       • SBO of the Year Award         • Slide Show         • NBMI Recognition    • Capital Planning for Districts • Capital Planni	CHEON MEETING ship Business Dath of Office
1:00 - 2:00     EXHIBIT HALL VISITS        • Teacher Certification         • Drawings       Prizes	and Door
2:00 - 4:00 ROUNDTABLES 2:45 - 3:30 SESSIONS	oard Meeting
<ul> <li>DEED Grant Rankings</li> <li>Grant Management</li> <li>HRA Tax-Free Solutions</li> <li>Information Security</li> <li>Inspiring Integrity</li> <li>Internal Controls</li> <li>Managing Nutrition</li> <li>Protect Data Disposal</li> <li>RFP Best Practices</li> <li>Succession Planning</li> <li>Tracking Fixed Assets</li> <li>Working with Budgets</li> </ul>	
4:15 - 5:00       EXHIBIT HALL VISITS       6:00 - 10:00       Banquet, Ugly Sweater Contest,         5:00 - 8:00       Reception—       Fore Deck       Casino and Karaoke Night         Quarter Deck       Altman, Rogers & Co.       Mid/Aft Deck       Mid/Aft Deck	

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Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>

7:30 – 12:00 **REGISTRATION** 

7:30 - 8:30 Light Breakfast

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	PRECONFERENCE AGENDA
	Saturday, December 3, 2022 Breakfast and Lunch Included
8:30 - 4:30	New Business Manager Institute
Endeavor	NBMI Cohorts 2020, 2021 and 2022 continuing sessions
	Sunday, December 4, 2022 Breakfast and Box Lunch Included For All-Day Attendees
8:30 – 4:30 Endeavor	<b>School Business Academy</b> Targeted training for new school business managers (<3 years on the job), new Alaska superintendents and other school business officials interested in this training.
8:30 - 12:00	PRECONFERENCE SESSIONS
Endeavor	All Things Budget Presenters: Andy Ratliff, Senior Director, Office of Management & Budget, Anchorage School District and Dennis Niedermeyer, Honorary Member, ALASBO This session will provide school business officials with guidance for preparing the district annual budget. Each budget development stage will be reviewed, from initial planning to communicating the final budget.
Quadrant	<b>Alice/Intruder Training</b> <i>Presenter: Greg Russell, Professional Police Consultant, AMLJIA</i> When facing extreme violence, a passive lockdown-only response may not always keep us safe. In fact, it's no longer the preferred response of federal and state agencies. People need options to respond based on their circumstances. Proactive options-based strategies help them feel empowered to make the best decision rather than hopelessly endure a difficult situation.
Adventure	Human Resources and Employee Management for School Districts Presenter: Katherine "Katie" Gardner, Associate Superintendent of Human Resources, Mat-Su Borough School District In this session, we will discuss various topics in the area of school district human resources including performance management, record keeping and retention, hiring dos and don'ts and addressing employee complaints. Learn beyond the basics and get your specific questions answered.
1:00 - 4:30	PRECONFERENCE SESSIONS
Adventure	<b>Basic Payroll</b> <i>Presenters: Jimmy Love, Chief Accountant, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District and Danielle Weisz, Accountant I, Alaska Gateway School District</i> A basic overview of what is required to process payroll from beginning to end, with plenty of time for Q&A and unique discussions/situations.

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## **PRECONFERENCE AGENDA**

## Sunday, December 4, 2022

1:00 – 4:30 PRECONFERENCE SESSIONS (continued)

#### Voyager Benefits Boot Camp

*Presenter: Scott Florsheim, Regional Manager, American Fidelity* This session will provide an in-depth look into benefits. It also covers important topics like the history of benefits, compliance, taxation, Section 125, retirement and employee wellness.

#### Quadrant Certification

Presenter: Sondra Meredith, Teacher Certification Administrator, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development

Confused about requirements for teacher, administrator or special service providers certification, renewal and reinstatement? Want to know more about the Limited Type M certification for Career and Technical Education, Alaska Native Languages and military science? How about the new Emergency Certificate for Teachers and Administrators? Mandatory Training Requirements? Recent regulatory and statutory changes? Attend this session to have your questions answered.



## **Alaska Association of School Business Officials** Working for Alaska's Students December 3-7, 2022 KEYNOTE SPEAKERS **Clint Campion, Esquire** Janice Litvin, President Sedor, Wendlandt, **National Speakers Association of** Evans & Filippi, LLC Northern California Monday, December 5, 2022 Tuesday, December 6, 2022 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. Wait, now I am a construction Banish Burnout:

## Wait, now I am a construction project manager too?

project manager too?

Clint will provide an overview of the history of teacher housing projects in Alaska focusing on the legal considerations for school districts and their business managers.

Move from Stress to Success

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In this lively, very interactive session, Janice shows you how to manage your stress to prevent burnout. Her methodology is based on the premise that you can change your reactions to stress from the inside out. This is done through building awareness and then converting negative thoughts into positive self-talk. You will come away with specific tools you can start using immediately to begin your journey of preventing burnout. All you need is awareness, the desire to change and the willingness to do the work.

Janice's book, *Banish Burnout Toolkit*, takes you further and deeper on the journey of understanding and modulating your stress emotions. Books will be made available for each attendee at the event. Bring your workbook, "Banish Burnout Toolkit" to the session.

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Monday, December 5, 2022

7:30 – 5:00 Outside Fore Deck	REGISTRATION
7:30 Mid/Aft Deck	EXHIBIT HALL OPENS
7:30 – 8:30 Mid/Aft Deck	Light Breakfast
8:00 – 8:20 Endeavor	<ul> <li>New Attendee Welcome</li> <li>Melody Douglas, Associate Executive Director, ALASBO</li> </ul>
8:30 – 9:00 Fore Deck	<ul> <li>WELCOMING SESSION</li> <li>Andy Ratiff, President, ALASBO</li> <li>Darcy Carter, Executive Director, ALASBO</li> </ul>
9:00 – 10:00 Fore Deck	<b>KEYNOTE SPEAKER</b> Clinton Campion, Esquire <i>Wait, now I am a construction project manager too?</i>
10:00- 10:15	BREAK
10:15- 11:00	Vendor Introductions
11:00- 11:30	Ice Breaker
11:30- 12:15	EXHIBIT HALL VISITS
12:15– 1:00 Fore Deck	<ul> <li>LUNCHEON</li> <li>SBO of the Year Award</li> <li>Slide Show</li> <li>NBMI Recognition</li> </ul>
1:00 - 2:00	EXHIBIT HALL VISITS
2:00 – 4:00 Fore Deck	ROUNDTABLES ACA Reporting Requirements for Calendar Year 2022
	Presenter: Jimmy Love, Chief Accountant, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District What employers need to know as you prepare for ACA reporting for calendar year 2022.
	Audit Prep Documentation Presenter: Joe Bergene, CPA, Partner, Altman, Rogers & Co. Discussion of ideal audit support. What is useful vs. piles of information? The types of documents, schedules and other support that auditors prefer to see.

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	CONFERENCE AGENDA
-	Monday, December 5, 2022
2:00 – 4:00 Fore Deck	ROUNDTABLES (continued) Benefits of a Dependent Verification Review
	Presenter: Nicole Cruickshank, State Manager, American Fidelity Dependent Verification Reviews are an important part of enrollment. This presentation will help you understand the steps needed to manage costs and maintain compliance with federal law. We'll help you understand: What a Dependent Verification Review (DVR) is, why you should conduct one and how we can help.
	<b>"Best Practices" Public Funds Investment Policy</b> <i>Presenter: Chris Bateman, Vice President, Time Value Investments</i> Join us as we discuss the risks, attributes and variety of commonly allowed public entity investments to include in your district's investment policy. In this session we'll review an actual public entity investment policy and discuss "best practices" for creating your own. Participants will receive sample investment policy templates that can be tailored to each district's unique needs. Whether or not you ever choose to invest school district funds, you will benefit by learning the common investment constraints imposed by this useful document.
	<b>DEED Capital Project Grant Rankings</b> <i>Presenter: Lori Weed, School Finance Specialist II, Alaska Department of Education &amp; Early Development (DEED)</i> Did your district miss out on an allocation of the \$150 million in CIP funding for FY2023? Is your district in the running for next year? Facilities staff will provide insight on CIP scoring and the FY2024 ranking lists. Bring your project-specific or general process questions.
	<b>Grant Organization and Management</b> <i>Presenter: Brian Krosschell, Grants Administrator, North Slope Borough School District</i> Grant Organization and Management – strategies to organize grant awards, grant applications and timely spending of funds.
	HRAs (circa 2022) — A Tax-Free Solution for Retiree Health Care Expenses Presenter: Larry Stein, Tax Advantaged Benefits Specialist, OneBridge Benefits The IRS provides for a tax-free (not tax-deferred) benefit that helps employees pay for their family's escalating healthcare costs – pre and post retirement. Funded HRAs are IRS approved vehicles designed for public employers that provide for special tax savings for their employees to help pay for their many health related expenses. Those include health insurance and Medicare premiums, deductibles, co-pays, dental, vision, etc. for the employee, spouse and qualified dependants. Learn how employers have achieved tax-freedom for both the employer and employee by adopting a funded HRA.
	Information Security Principles Presenter: Mike Mason, Information Security Officer, First National Bank Alaska Securing your information: Confidentiality, Integrity, Availability
	<b>Inspiring Integrity</b> <i>Presenter: Gina Lanier, Controller, Aurora Public Schools, Colorado</i> Join Gina as she facilitates a conversation to inspire integrity and find true happiness and contentment by prioritizing what is most important to you.

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## **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

Monday, December 5, 2022

	Monday, December 5, 2022
2:00 – 4:00 Fore Deck	ROUNDTABLES (continued)
	Internal Controls around Information Technologies Presenters: Bikky Shrestha and James Doughty, Assurance Partners, BDO USA, LLC We will discuss common pitfalls and best practices when designing and monitoring controls around Information Technologies.
	Managing Your School Nutrition Program Presenter: Gavin M. Northey, Student Nutrition Assistant Director, Anchorage School District We will discuss the business aspects of school nutrition programs including: sources of revenue and expense, free & reduced-price eligibility, community eligibility provision (CEP), menu planning and food cost, labor cost, and current technology, as well as efficiencies we have found in our programs.
	Protect Data with the Proper Disposal of Electronic Equipment Presenter: Carleen Mitchell, Deputy Director, APEI Protecting your organization's data is not only important on active equipment, but also when disposing of equipment, including computers, copiers, fax machines and other devices that may store protected information. Learn about best practices for ensuring your information doesn't fall into the wrong hands.
	<b>RFPs Best Practices</b> <i>Presenter: Emily Proper, Director of Procurement &amp; Warehouse, Fairbanks North Star</i> <i>Borough School District</i> Connect with other Purchasing Professionals to learn and share methods for successful procurement.
	Succession Planning— 7 Step Process Presenter: Melody Douglas, SFO, Associate Executive Director, ALASBO and Heather Heineken, CFO, Yukon-Koyukuk School District Build a succession plan using 7 easy steps. Learn steps to identify staff for promotion opportunities.
	<b>Tracking Fixed Assets</b> <i>Presenter: Teresa Van Buren, Sales Manager, Black Mountain Software</i> Benefits of using software specifically designed to track your fixed assets and inventory vs. just a spreadsheet.
	<b>Working with Administration and Schools Regarding Budget</b> Presenters: Sandra Weaver, Budget Specialist II and Nicole "Nico" Herbert, Director of Accounting Services, Fairbanks North Star Borough School District, Working with Schools and Administration regarding budget.
4:15 - 5:00	EXHIBIT HALL VISITS
5:00 – 8:00 Quarter Deck	RECEPTION Altman, Rogers & Co. Altman, Rogers & Co. Altman, Rogers & Co.

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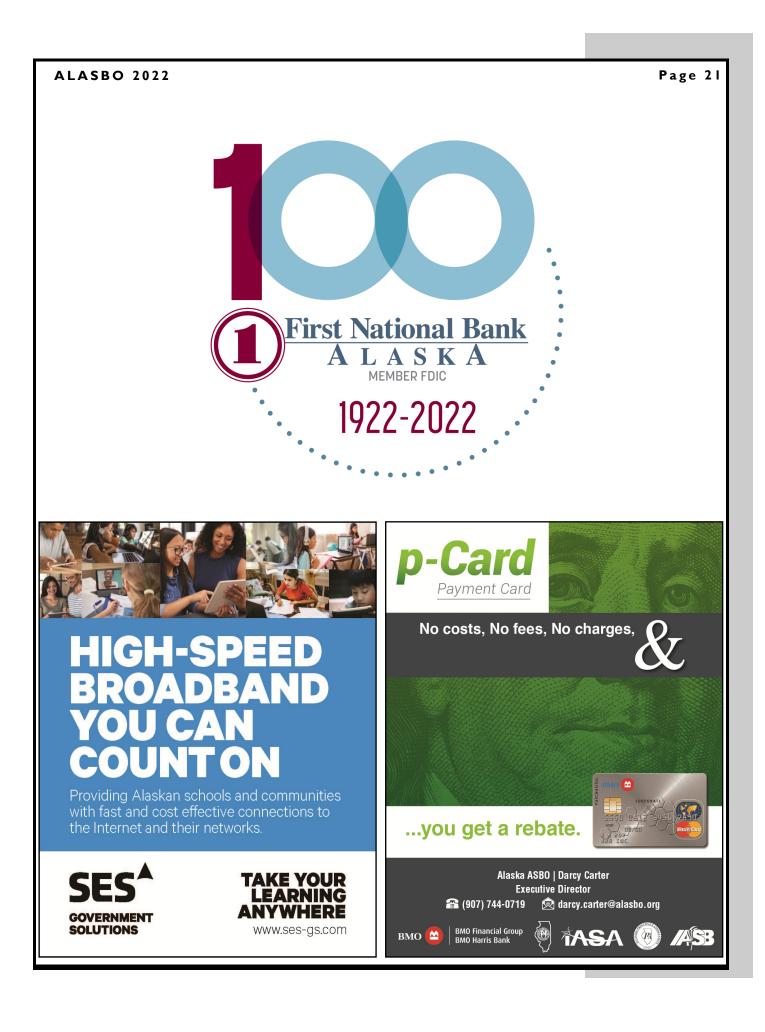
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## **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

7:30	- 5:00	REGISTRATION

- 7:30 8:30 Light Breakfast Fore Deck
- 8:30 9:00 WELCOMING SESSION

9:00 - 10:30 **KEYNOTE SPEAKER** Fore Deck Janice Litvin, Wellness Speaker Banish Burnout: Move from Stress to Success

- **EXHIBIT HALL VISITS** 10:45 - 11:30
- 11:45 12:30 SESSIONS

#### **Adventure** Presenter: Janice Litvin. Wellness Speaker

In this lively interactive session Janice will dive deep into how to begin to banish burnout in your life, breaking down the first two tools in her Banish Burnout Toolkit, #1 S-T-O-P and Audit and #2 Know Your Stress - Spin Your Stress. This session will be impactful, yet fun and full of experiential learning. Bring your workbook, "Banish Burnout Toolkit" to the session.

#### Resolution Legislative Update

Presenter: Dr. Lisa Parady, Executive Director, ACSA Join this sectional to get a current update regarding legislative happenings related to education in the State of Alaska. Learn about what is happening now and about the forecast for the upcoming session for 2022-2023. Also hear tips for communicating effectively with your legislators.

#### Quadrant **Orientation of the Annual Financial Statements (Discussion Group)**

Presenter: Katie Stachow, CPA, Senior Audit Manager, Altman Rogers and Co. Learn how the financials are organized, how to find what you are looking for and gain a clear understanding of the bits "the auditors do".

Whitby

#### **PERS/TRS Rehired Retirees**

Presenters: Natalia Golovatiuk, Regional R&B Counselor and Traci Walther, R&B Payroll Supervisor, State of Alaska Division of Retirement and Benefits

PERS/TRS rehired retirees:

- Bona Fide Separation from Employment and how it applies when rehiring newly retired PERS/TRS members.
- Working after retirement in non-TRS/PERS positions
- Returning to work in PERS-, TRS-covered positions of PERS- or TRS-retirees
- SB185 (concerning reemployment of retired teachers)

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11:45– 12:30	SESSIONS (continued)
Endeavor	<b>Reads Act- Updates for Business Managers</b> <i>Presenter: Heidi Teshner, Acting Commissioner, Alaska Department of Education &amp; Early Development (DEED)</i> DEED is responsible for supporting and training pre-kindergarten through third grade teachers, curriculum specialists and other educators by providing evidence-based instructional strategies on literacy. In June 2022, Governor Mike Dunleavy signed the Alaska Reads Act into law (HB114, Chapter 40, SLA 2022), creating four (4) new programs to support early literacy and to assist Alaska's students to learn to read at grade level by the third grade. Join this session to learn more about what this means for school districts and what grant funding may be available.
Voyager	Successful DEED Capital Project Administration Presenter: Lori Weed, School Finance Specialist II, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development The 2022 state budget provided more school capital project funding than the last six years combined. Many districts may be new to the process of managing this type of grant and project. Join us for an overview and discussion of key elements for success in managing school capital projects including project eligibility, accounting structures, procurement requirements, payment submittals and more. General and project-specific questions welcome.
12:45 - 1:30	LUNCHEON
	Bill Sutter, President, ASBO International
1:45 – 2:30	SESSIONS
Voyager	<b>7 Ways to Prepare for Enrollments</b> <i>Presenter: Scott Florsheim, Regional Manager, American Fidelity</i> This presentation highlights how to prevent enrollment slip-ups before they occur. Use the strategies provided to help better understand, prepare and lower stress caused by enrollment. This presentation will help you learn: how to prepare for open enrollment, where to add benefits education in your professional development days, how to ensure your Section 125 document is current before enrollment, ways to save money and how to identify the best enrollment type for your organization.
Whitby	<b>Capital Planning for Alaska School Districts</b> Lori Weed, School Finance Specialist II, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development Your facilities are aging. Building systems are beginning to fail, maintenance costs are up and big-ticket costs are looming. Someone just asked you what your FCI was. What's a business manager to do? Enter, capital planning. Join DEED Facilities for an overview of what is entailed in forecasting district capital needs and how that process ties into the state's capital improvement project (CIP) program process.

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1:45 – 2:30	SESSIONS (continued)
Adventure	<b>ERPs – Integrating with your Bank (Discussion Group)</b> <i>Presenters: Gurleen Pannu and Mark Haggen, Treasury Management Consultants, Wells Fargo Bank</i> We will provide an overview of ERP/accounting systems and what organizations need to consider as they embark on a change or upgrade. We will also cover the importance of internal communications and ensuring everyone's voice is heard to have the best integration possible between their organization and banking partner. Ensuring all applicable areas are represented and communication lines are open is integral to a successful conversion or upgrade. Otherwise, it may translate to missed enhancements / improvements that could have been addressed and potential ways your banking partners could assist in the project.
Quadrant	<b>Procurement Challenges and Solutions (Discussion Group)</b> <i>Presenter: Emily Proper, Director of Procurement &amp; Warehouse, Fairbanks North Star</i> <i>Borough School District</i> Connect with other purchasing professionals to learn and share methods for successful procurement.
Resolution	<b>Special Education Maintenance of Effort</b> <i>Presenters: Alenita Danner, School Finance Specialist and Elwin Blackwell, School Finance Manager, Alaska Department of Education &amp; Early Development</i> Has your district struggled with the Special Education Maintenance of Effort (SPED MOE) in the past? Or do you just want to make sure your district stays in compliance? In this session we'll cover what the SPED MOE is, how it's calculated and what happens if a district doesn't pass. We'll even give you tips for SPED MOE calculations in future years.
Endeavor	<b>Teacher Certification / J-1 Visa Applicant Process</b> <i>Presenter: Sondra Meredith, Teacher Certification Administrator, Alaska Department of</i> <i>Education &amp; Early Development</i> Alaska School Districts are utilizing J-1 Visa applicants to fill their hard to fill positions. This session will provide an opportunity to participants to learn about the certification process and other considerations when hiring J-1 Visa applicants. Time will be provide for Q & A and participant sharing.
2:45 - 3:30	SESSIONS
Adventure	Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), Alaska Family Leave Act (AFLA) and Workers' Compensation (WC) Overlap Presenter: Carleen Mitchell, Deputy Director, Alaska Public Entity Insurance The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), Alaska Family Leave Act (AFLA) and Workers' Compensation (WC) Overlap: ADA, FMLA and WC are called the "Devil's Triangle of HR". This is further complicated by AFLA, which applies in many but not all cases. This presentation demystifies how these laws work together to protect your district and your employees.

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2:45 - 3:30	SESSIONS (continued)
Endeavor	<b>Budgeting in Uncertainty</b> <i>Presenter: Andy DeGraw, Chief Operations Officer, Fairbanks North Star Borough</i> <i>School District</i> Budgeting in uncertainty strategies to navigate the pitfalls of budgeting in uncertain and challenging times.
Quadrant	<b>COVID Relief Funds</b> Presenter: Joel Roylance, Program Coordinator 2 Covid Relief Funding, DEED COVID Relief Funds explained
Whitby	Edgar? (is changing) Overview of What EDGAR is. Presenters: Erica Cuzzort, Audit and Review Analyst and Heidi Teshner, Acting Commissioner, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development What is EDGAR (the Education Department General Administrative Regulations)? Come learn what this is and why you need to know it. We will highlight the major sections of EDGAR, including the administrative requirements, cost principles and audit requirements within 2 CFR Part 200 (Uniform Grant Guidance).
Resolution	<b>Project Management Using Google Workspace</b> <i>Presenter: Brian Krosschell, Grants Administrator, North Slope Borough School District</i> Project Management Using Google Workspace and Microsoft Outlook – strategies to use applications within Google Workspace for managing multiple projects and tasks.
Voyager	<b>The Superintendent-Business Manager Relationship</b> <i>Presenters: Robbie MacManus, CFO and Scott MacManus, Superintendent, Alaska Gateway School District</i> An effective relationship between the superintendent and business manager starts with both having a clear understanding of the district's vision, mission and values and their role in achieving these goals. It is important to not only have an effective relationship but also a healthy relationship. A healthy relationship includes open communication, understanding and respect. It is important to know when to stay in your own lane and when it is time to cross over and work hand-in-hand. Scott and Robbie will share their secrets on how they successfully worked together and how they continue to do great things for their district.
Easter Island	<ul> <li>TRS Non-Certification Reporting and PERS/TRS Event Reporting Pitfalls</li> <li>Presenters: Traci Walther, R&amp;B Payroll Supervisor and Natalia Golovatiuk, Regional R&amp;B Counselor, State of Alaska Division of Retirement and Benefits</li> <li>Teacher Non-Certifications: How to correct a Teachers Retirement system Service and contributions when it is discovered that a teacher is not compliant with Alaska Teacher Certification Program.</li> <li>Reporting Pitfalls: How to avoid common event reporting errors and importance of timely reporting to PERS/TRS— specifically at school year end.</li> <li>BEARS Employer Reporting System Update: An update on the Division of Retirement and Benefits system modernization project called BEARS (BEnefits And Retirement System) will be provided.</li> </ul>

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3:45 - 4:30	SESSIONS	
Quadrant	<b>Excess Cost Calculation</b> <i>Presenters: Erica Cuzzort, Audit and Review Analyst and Elwin Blackwell, School Finance Manager, Alaska Department of Education &amp; Early Development</i> The purpose of the Excess Cost Calculation is to determine if the district complied with the requirement in the prior year (Compliance calculation) and to create an estimate of what is needed to be spent in the current year (Base calculation). Come for an overview of the Excess Cost spreadsheet, what it is, and how to fill it out.	
Endeavor	HR Issues (Discussion Group) Presenters: Meghan McManamin and Amanda Graham, Talent Management Team, Anchorage School District This session will be an open discussion about HR topics, i.e., FML and all recruitment with some of the HR team from the ASD Talent Management Team.	
Adventure	<b>Repair with Self-Care</b> — SHRM CECs <i>Presenter: Janice Litvin, Wellness Speaker</i> In this interactive session Janice will dive deep into Tools #4 Practice Self-Care and #5 Set Healthy Boundaries from her Banish Burnout Toolkit. This session will be impactful, yet fun and full of experiential learning. Bring your workbook, "Banish Burnout Toolkit" to the session.	
Whitby	<b>State Tribal Education Compacting</b> <i>Presenter: Joel Isaak, Director of Tribal Affairs, Alaska Department of Education &amp; Early Development (DEED)</i> The effort for State Tribal Education Compacting in Alaska stemmed from the Alaska Education Challenge committee that meets on the topic of Inspiring Tribal and Community Ownership of Educational Excellence. The committee put forward the recommendation to create the option for self-governance compacting for the delivery of education between the State of Alaska and Tribes or tribally-empowered Alaska Native organizations. Senate Bill 34 Demonstration State-Tribal Education Compact was passed and signed into law this year. DEED is working with Tribes to put forward a report to the legislature for what is needed to carry out demonstration compact schools. This sectional will give a broad overview of what Tribal compacting is, the current status of the implementation of SB 34, and ample time for discussion and Q&A.	
Voyager	<b>Strategic Substitute Management</b> <i>Presenter: Jim O'Halloran, Consultant, Red Rover</i> Substitutes play a critical role in student instruction but are not often well integrated into school operations. Strategic Substitute Management is the intentional development and deployment of improved substitute teaching resources to directly support student instruction.	
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An investment in knowledge pays the best interest & Benjamin Franklin		

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3:45 - 4:30	SESSIONS (continued)		
Resolution	<b>Tips &amp; Tricks on Accessible Word Documents</b> Lori Weed, School Finance Specialist II, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development More documents are being put out on the internet and provided electronically. How can you ensure your work products meet federal accessibility requirements under Section 504 and the Americans with Disabilities Act? Come learn the basics, expand your knowledge about styles and formatting and share your insights and experiences with your peers.		
6:00 – 10:00 Fore Deck Mid/Aft Deck	Banquet, Ugly Sweater Contest, Casino and Karaoke Night		

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## **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

- 7:30 12:00 REGISTRATION
- 7:30 8:30 Light Breakfast Fore Deck
- 8:30 9:00WELCOMING SESSIONFore DeckCommittee Meetings
- 9:15 10:00LIKE-SIZE DISTRICTS MEETFore DeckSee page 31 for a list of districts and meeting rooms
- 10:15-11:00 SESSIONS
- Endeavor Room Grant Management 101

*Presenter: Karen Morrison, SFO, Finance Director, Petersburg School District* This session will be an overview of grants management with relevant information, best practices and tips and tricks on how to manage, track and ensure appropriate and timely expenditure of grant funds. Documents will be shared and electronic recordkeeping strategies provided for successful financial audits.

Voyager IT Program Management

Presenter: Justin Michaud, PMP– Senior Program IT Manager, Mat-Su Borough School District

Building a successful program takes communication and collaboration with many individuals in your organization and documenting your organization's needs. Start with identifying what is needed to run your IT Program, from network infrastructure, devices, software, security, services and connectivity. Next, identify your equipment costs and define the refresh cycle for equipment. With this information you can then determine the total cost then what funding sources, including but not limited to general funds, grants, E-Rate and others can be used to help fund the program.

Resolution

**New Transportation Contract Start-Up** *Presenter: Crystal Smith, Pupil Transportation Supervisor, Mat-Su Borough School District* 

In the fall of 2022, the Mat-Su Borough School District entered a new contract with Durham School Services. Durham will become the primary bus provider for our largest service area. At this session, you will learn about Mat-Su's start-up challenges, recommendations and best practices for a transportation contract start-up.

 
 Adventure
 Payroll Issues (Discussion Group)

 Presenters: Jimmy Love, Chief Accountant, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District and Danielle Weisz, Accountant I, Alaska Gateway School District

 Open forum to share, discuss and present any topics that are pressing or concerning relating to payroll.
 10:15-11:00

Quadrant

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# Wednesday, December 7, 2022 SESSIONS (continued) S125: Review and Refresh Presentation Presenter: Nicole Cruickshank, State Manager, American Fidelity Explains the basics of what a Section 125 Plan is, reviews tax savings tools under Internal Revenue Code and dives into some common compliance mistakes

Internal Revenue Code and dives into some common compliance mistakes organizations make. Learn important takeaways like: how Section 125 Plans benefit employees, legal requirements and how to make sure you are staying compliant and tax-savings tools such as HSAs, FSAs and HRAs.

### Whitby Teacher Housing and Contracts

*Presenter: Heather Heineken, Chief Financial Officer, Yukon-Koyukuk School District* How to leverage teacher housing as recruitment and retention tool. What is important in helping maintain happy teachers?

#### 11:15-12:00 SESSIONS

## Whitby E-Rate and the Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) Updates

Presenter: Valerie Oliver, Alaska E-rate Coordinator for Libraries and Schools, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development This presentation will highlight the current program rules for the Universal Service/E-Rate Program.

#### Resolution Learning a New Language: Becoming Fluent in Grant Writing

*Presenter: Katie Roberts, Development Director, Anchorage School District* Grant writing can seem daunting to some; I get it. Formula vs. Competitive, Private and Public funders, RFPs, EIN, SAM and the list of acronyms never ends. However, once you learn the language of a grant, whom you are writing for and what excites them, many of these initial barriers fade away. In my presentation I hope to give you the tools to become fluent in grant writing. There are grants for everyone; you just have to know what to look for and where!

Adventure Let's Talk about Leaves (Discussion Group)

*Presenter: Karen Morrison, SFO, Finance Director, Petersburg School District* This will be an open discussion about certificated and classified leave types including sick leave, personal leave, annual leave, professional and other leaves. Leaves are often governed by collective bargaining agreements. Join in a lively discussion about the various nuances surrounding school district employee leave programs. This is an opportunity to learn about what other districts are doing, hopefully get your questions answered and to learn what could be discussed during your district's next round of collective bargaining.



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11:15- 12:00	SESSIONS (continued)
Voyager	Minimizing Risk: Practical Approaches Within Your Reach Presenters: Ariel Johannes, Treasury Management Consultant and Kristen Trivison, Market Executive, Wells Fargo Bank The only constant in fraud security is change. The magnitude of the threat is growing and increasingly digital, while criminals' tactics continue to evolve. Outsmarting fraudsters and protecting your agency requires a new way to think about fraud. An integrated approach involves everyone in the organization, layers of fraud security and technology-based tools. Join the Wells Fargo Treasury Management team to discuss the evolution of B2B and B2C payments, ways to optimize your back office and the latest in fraud and security trends.
Easter Island	NSLP Food Services Presenters: Rachel Spencer, Food Service Specialist, Yukon-Koyukuk School District and Gavin Northey, Student Nutrition Assistant Director, Anchorage School District A conversation on NSLP best practices and other programs available to support feeding students. What can a school do to ensure all students are eating while maintaining the USDA guidelines?
Endeavor	Overseeing Student Activities Presenters: Teodor Dornea, Assistant Director of Accounting Services and Nicole "Nico" Herbert, Director of Accounting Services, Fairbanks North Star Borough School District Facilitate a conversation regarding best practices overseeing student activities; including but not limited to booster clubs, parent-teacher agencies/organizations (PTA/ PTO) and fundraising.
Quadrant	<b>Preparing for Bargaining (Discussion Group)</b> <i>Presenters: Andy Ratliff, Sr. Director OMB, Anchorage School District, Cassee Olin,</i> <i>Director of Administrative Services, Juneau School District and Heather Heineken,</i> <i>Chief Financial Officer, Yukon-Koyukuk School District</i> This discussion group will focus on strategies and preparation for negotiating collective bargaining agreements.
12:15– 1:30 Fore Deck	<ul> <li>LUNCHEON / ANNUAL MEETING</li> <li>Membership Business</li> <li>Officers Oath of Office</li> <li>Drawings and Door Prizes</li> </ul>
1:45 Resolution	ALASBO Board Meeting
I "School is a	building which has four walls with tomorrow inside."
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## LIKE-SIZE DISTRICTS

## Small Single Site & Borough Districts <u>Resolution Room</u>

Facilitator: Melody Douglas

- Annette Island
- Bristol Bay
- Galena
- Hoonah
- Hydaburg
- Kake
- Klawock
- Nenana
- Pelican
- Pribilof
- SkagwaySt. Mary's
- St. Mary
- Tanana
- Yakutat

## Large City & Borough Districts Endeavor Room

## Facilitator: Andy Ratliff

- Anchorage
- Fairbanks
- Juneau
- Kenai Peninsula
- Mat-Su

# Large REAA & Similar Borough Districts <u>Adventure Room</u>

## Facilitator: Megan Williams

- Bering Strait
- Lower Kuskokwim
- Lower Yukon
- North Slope
- Northwest Arctic

## Mid-Size City & Borough Districts <u>Voyager Room</u>

### Facilitator: Phil Hulett

- Cordova
- Craig
- Denali
- Dillingham
- Haines
- Ketchikan
- Kodiak
- Mt. Edgecumbe
- Nome
- Petersburg
- Sitka
- Unalaska
- Valdez
- Wrangell

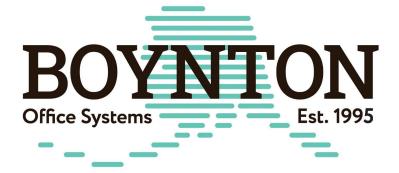
## Mid-Size & Small REAA Districts Quadrant Room

### Facilitator: Robbie MacManus

- Alaska Gateway
- Aleutians East
- Aleutian Region
- Chatham
- Chugach
- Copper River
- Delta/Greely
- Iditarod
- Kashunamiut
- Kuspuk
- Lake & Peninsula
- Southeast Island
- Southwest Region
- Yukon Flats
- Yukon-Koyukuk
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## \*\*For Approval by the ALASBO Membership at the 2021 Annual Meeting\*\*

## Alaska Association of School Business Officials

## **December 8, 2021**

### Minutes of Annual Membership Meeting Held Virtually

President Jimmy Love called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and welcomed the membership to the annual meeting.

Secretary Yodean Armour presented the minutes from the 2020 Annual Meeting referencing the minutes on pages 46 and 47 of the conference booklet. Andrew Ratcliff moved and Heather Heineken seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2021 meeting. The vote via Zoom by the membership was unanimous.

Treasurer Cassee Olin reported that as of November 30, 2021, ALASBO had a balance of \$27,549.43 in the checking account and \$195, 722.58 in the savings account with accounts receivable pending for the fall HR workshop and annual conference as well as some accounts payable pending for the annual conference. The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

The Awards Committee report was presented as follows:

#### McLain J "Mack" Easton Memorial Scholarship

- Breanna Gentry, Ketchikan Gateway School District
- Madison Blackburn, Wrangell City School District

#### **Dick Swarner Leadership Grant**

• No applications were received

#### Lowell Thomas Freeman Professional Development Grant

• Faith Link, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

President Jimmy Love thanked Karen Morrison, Sandy Daws, Heather Heineken and Andrew Leavitt for their service on the 2021 ALASBO Board of Directors.

President Jimmy Love asked Karen Morrison, Chair of the Nominations Committee to update the membership on the elections and to swear in the 2022 Board of Director positions.

Jimmy stated that due to the virtual format, it was necessary to change the annual election process. The ALASBO Board set aside the rules to conduct this year's election and this information was shared prior to the conference with membership electronically.

Karen Morrison administered the Oath to the 2022 Board of Directors:

President — Andy Ratliff, Anchorage School District

Immediate Past President — Jimmy Love, Kenai School District

President Elect — Yodean Armour, Klawock City School District

Secretary — Heather Heineken, Yukon-Koyukuk School District

Executive Director — Darcy Carter

Associate Executive Director — Melody Douglas

Directors:

- Seat A Phil Hulett, Dillingham City School District
- Seat B Megan Williams, NW Arctic Borough School District
- Seat C Alenita Danner, DEED
- Seat D Robbie MacManus, Alaska Gateway School District
- Seat E Katie Parrot, Ketchikan Gateway School District
- Seat F David Nielsen, Aleutians East Borough School District

President Jimmy Love thanked the ALASBO membership and organization for continued service and dedication.

Jimmy Love introduced Andy Ratliff as President. President Ratliff appointed Cassee Olin as the Treasurer. Andy announced his theme of "50 Years of Education and Fellowship."

Karen Morrison moved to adjourn the meeting and Robbie MacManus seconded the motion. The 2021 ALASBO annual meeting adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

Note for the Record: Robbie MacManus received the ALASBO 2021 School Business Officer of the Year Award.

Respectfully Submitted, Heather Heineken

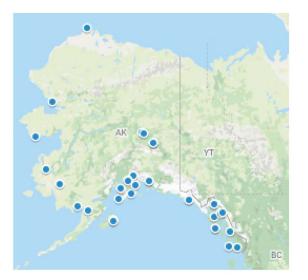


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## <u>ALASBO – Year-By-Year</u>

December 2021	Together Towards Tomorrow
	President: Jimmy Love, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
December 2020	Leading Together
	President: Karen Morrison, SFO, Petersburg School District
December 2019	Building the Team
	President: Carl Horn, Nenana City School District
December 2018	We're All In This Together
	President: Cassee Olin, Sitka School District
December 2017	Pulling Together for Alaska's Youth
	President: Holly Holman, Unalaska School District
December 2016	Stepping Up To the Challenge
	President: Mark Vink, Bering Strait School District
December 2015	Achieving Success Together
	President: Robin Mullins, Fairbanks North Star Borough School District
December 2014	Make Every Dollar Count
	President: Jim Farrington, Anchorage School District
December 2013	Leadership that Count\$
	President: Laurie Olson, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
December 2012	Forty Years of Success Through Networking
	President: Jenny Martens, Lower Yukon School District
December 2011	Strength in Numbers
	President: Luke Fulp, Kodiak Island Borough School District
December 2010	Everyone a Leader
	President: Laura Hylton, Lake & Peninsula School District
December 2009	ALASBO—VISION
	President: Karen Goodwin, Northwest Arctic Borough School District
December 2008	ALASBO—The Next Generation
	President: Cindy Reilly, Mat-Su Borough School District
December 2007	ALASBO—Needs You!
	President: René Spracklen, Copper River School District
December 2006	Team ALASBO Educating Alaska
	President: Elizabeth Francis, Dillingham City School District
December 2005	We Are ALASBO
	President: David Means, Juneau School District
December 2004	Facing Challenges - Forming Friendships
	President: Mike Fisher, Fairbanks North Star Borough School District

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## <u> ALASBO – Year-By-Year</u>

December 2003	Our Professional Family
	President: Betty Zabielski, Alaska Gateway Borough School District
December 2002	Thirty Years of Dedication to Alaska's Youth
	President: Dave Jones, Kodiak Island Borough School District
December 2001	Building A Strong Future
	President: John Sanbei, Juneau School District
December 2000	Making Our Voices Heard
	President: Lucienne Harger, North Slope Borough School District
December 1999	Work Hard! Play Hard!
	President: Tammy White, Alaska Voc/Tech Center, Seward
December 1998	Working Together!
	President: Eddy Jeans, Alaska DEED
April 1998	Making the Best Better
	President: Robert Shefchik, Fairbanks North Star Borough School District
April 1997	Are We Successful Yet?
	President: Loreen Kramer, Copper River School District
April 1996	Leading the Way
	President: Melody Douglas, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
April 1995	Winners Thrive on Stress
	President: John Tongen, Valdez City School District
May 1994	Professional Commitment - Let's Give a Little Back
	President: Dennis Niedermeyer, Lake & Peninsula School District
April 1993	Taking Care of Business
	President: Barbara Martin, Fairbanks North Star Borough School District
April 1992	SYNERGISM
	President: Barbara Martin, Fairbanks North Star Borough School District
April 1991	Challenges Abound
	President: Laraine Glenn, Juneau School District
April 1990	Providing Leadership in the '90s
	President: Patti Carlson, Bering Strait School District
April 1989	Preparing for the '90s
	President: Gary E. Epperson, Mat-Su Borough School District
April 1988	Accepting the Challenges
	President: Melvin J. Greaves, Jr., Anchorage School District

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## <u>ALASBO – Year-By-Year</u>

April 1987	Facing Tough Times Together
	President: Marcy White, Copper River School District
April 1986	Providing the Best
	President: Tom Bibeau, Anchorage School District
April 1985	Striving for Excellence
	President: Joyce Healy, Kodiak Island Borough School District
April 1984	ALASBO In High Gear - Team Commitment
	President: Martin Mhrye, Southwest Region School District
April 1983	We Got Class
	President: Bill Haring, Delta/Greely School District
April 1982	Continuing Our Professional Education
	President: Guy G. Bellville, Anchorage School District
April 1981	ALASBO of the '80s - Managing Professionals
	President: John Rogers, Northwest Arctic Borough School District
April 1980	ALASBO of the '80s - Cost Effective Professionals
	President: Duane L. Oliphant, Anchorage School District
April 1979	The Eighties - A New Beginning
	President: Richard Swarner, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
April 1978	Better Planning Means Progress
	President: Norm Rousey, Mat-Su Borough School District
April 1977	Challenges of a Changing Society
	President: Larry Baker, Anchorage School District
April 1976	The Spirit of '76
	President and Founder: Tom Freeman, Anchorage School District
April 1975	ALASBO - In the Lead
	President and Founder: Tom Freeman, Anchorage School District
November 1974	ALASBO - On the Move
	President and Founder: Tom Freeman, Anchorage School District





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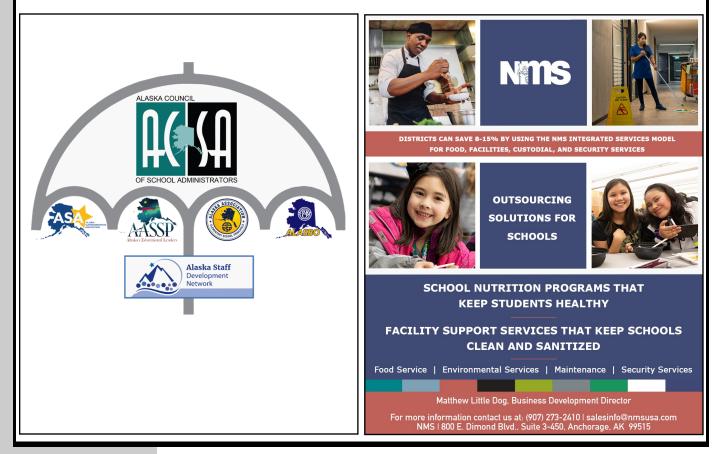
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### McCLAIN J. "MACK" EASTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Mack Easton Memorial Scholarship is sponsored by ALASBO and NANA Management Services (NMS). Recipients are selected by the Awards Committee.

Please take the time to read Mack's inspiring biography on our website at <u>www.alasbo.org</u>



Named for a school business official who died tragically while serving the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District. These scholarships are awarded annually to graduating high school seniors.

The 2022 recipients of \$1,000 scholarships were:

- Corina Rose Morrision-Quitslund, Petersburg School District
- Jacob Pattison, Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District



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#### Richard "Dick" Swarner Shaping the Future Leadership Grant



The Dick Swarner Shaping the Future Leadership Grant is named for a deceased Kenai Peninsula Borough School District business official and a founding ALASBO member. This grant is sponsored by the Swarner family and provides funding for ALASBO member(s) to attend the ALASBO Summer Leadership Conference. Recipients are selected by the Awards Committee.

Please take the time to read Dick's inspiring biography on our website at <u>www.alasbo.org</u>

# Recipients of the Dick Swarner Shaping the Future Grant to Attend the ALASBO Summer Leadership Conference

Year	Recipient	District
2009	Yodean Armour	Klawock School District
2010	David Arp	Sitka School District
2011 Lee A Marth	Lee Ann Andrew	Southwest Region School District
	Martha Morgan	Kuspuk School District
	Cathi Wojtanek	Nome Public Schools
	Teri Dierick	Southeast Regional Resource Center
2012	Cassee Olin	Kodiak Island Borough School District
	Ricardo Tejeda	Yakutat School District
2013	Jenny Myhand	Lake & Peninsula Borough School District
2013	Karen Quitslund	Petersburg School District
2014	Judy Hankla	Hoonah City School District
2014	Nichole Wood	Fairbanks North Star Borough School Distric
2015	Ryan Ayars	Southwest Region School District
2016	Kristy Andrew	Cordova School District
2016	Krystian Roehl	Southwest Region School District
2017	Alicia Campbell	Mat-Su Borough School Distict
2017 Maisha	Maisha Ekamrak	Yupiit School District
2018	John Stackhouse	Yupiit School District
2019	Gavin Atchak	Kashunamuit School Disctrict
2019	Jennifer Stackhouse	Yupiit School District
2022	Antonia Moses	Kashunamiut School District
	Terri Kohn	Southeast Island School District
	Becca Moore	Delta/Greely School District
	Michelle Shatswell	Chatham School District

**Lowell Thomas Freeman Grant** – Named for the "founding father" of ALASBO, Anchorage School District business official Tom Freeman, who we were saddened to hear passed away in 2021. This grant, sponsored CORE, Inc., provides funding for an ALASBO member to attend the ASBO International Conference. Recipients are selected by the Awards Committee.

LOWELL THOMAS FREEMAN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT RECIPIENTS		
ASBO Year	Recipient	District
1998	Amy Lujan	Kuspuk School District
	Laurie Olson	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
1999	Maribel Miller	Kodiak Island Borough School District
2000	Jimmy Love	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
2000	John Sanbei	Juneau School District
2001	Rose Stokes	Anchorage School District
2002	Jeff Frier	North Slope Borough School District
2003	Laurie Olson	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
2004	René Spracklen	Copper River School District
2005	Nancy Munoz	Mat-Su Borough School District
	René Spracklen	Copper River School District
2006	Diane Simmons	Southwest Region School District
	Lana King	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
2007	Amy Lujan	Nome Public Schools
2008	Laurie Olson	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
2010	Lee Ann Andrews	Southwest Region School District
2010	Pamela Roope	Wrangell Public Schools
2011	Carl Horn	Nenana School District
2012	David Arp	Sitka School District
2013	Loreen Kramer	Copper River School District
2014	Karen Quitslund	Petersburg City School District
2015	Tammy Grove	North Slope Borough School District
2016	Elizabeth Hayes	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
2017	Sarah Jahn	Juneau School District
2018	Reena Viovedich	Denali Borough School District
2019	Jimmy Love	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
2020	Faith Link	Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
2021	Antonia Moses	Kashunamiut School District
2022	Katie Parrott	Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District

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# Significant Events in the History of the Alaska Association of School Business Officials

- 1974 ALASBO founded by Lowell Thomas Freeman
- 1975 By-Laws adopted
  - Incorporated in State of Alaska
- 1976 Established Accounting, Basic Foundation Program Study, By-Laws, Conference Planning, Educational, Legislative, and Nominations committees
- 1977 First Treasurer appointed
  - ALASBO President starts attending ASBO Annual Conference
  - · Post-conference Board Meeting established
  - Exhibitors invited to participate in Annual Conference
- 1980 ALASBO establishes Executive Director position
  - Scholarship Committee established
  - ALASBO begins sending president to ASBO Annual Leadership Conference
- 1981 ALASBO included in Department of Education Directory
  - Duane Oliphant appointed Executive Director
- 1982 Tom Freeman elected to ASBO Board of Directors
- 1983 ALASBO holds first Board Meeting via teleconference
  - ALASBO invited by DOE to review State Finance Study data
- 1984 Guy Belleville appointed Executive Director
- 1985 Tom Freeman candidate for ASBO Vice President
- 1986 Duane Oliphant appointed Executive Director
- 1987 Tom Bibeau appointed Executive Director
- 1989 Mack Easton Memorial Scholarship established
- 1991 ALASBO invited by DOE to participate in Chart of Accounts Revision
  - President Laraine Glenn appointed to Special Presidential Committee of Education
- 1992 Tom Wolfe appointed Executive Director
- 1993 ALASBO joins Alaska Council of School Administrators
- 1994 ALASBO contracted with DOE to revise Chart of Accounts
  - Walt Ramsey appointed Executive Director
- 1995 Tom Freeman appointed Executive Director
- 1996 ALASBO Newslink initiated
  - Tom Bibeau appointed Executive Director
- 1997 Professional Development Grants initiated
  - Lowell Thomas 'Tom' Freeman, Richard 'Dick' Swarner, Duane Oliphant, and John 'Jake' Rogers named honorary lifetime members
- 1998 Annual Conference moved from April to December
  - Exhibitors Committee established
  - Website established
  - · ALASBO's 1st Summer Meeting held in Seward, with a skills training focus
  - Melody Douglas appointed Executive Director
- 1999 ALASBO established Board/District liaisons
  - ALASBO contracted by EED to develop OASIS project
  - Blood Bank of Alaska blood drive initiated at Annual Conference
  - Exhibitors Professional Development Grant initiated
  - · School Business Official of the Year award program initiated, sponsored by PenAir
- 2000 ALASBO worked with EED on Chart of Accounts Revision
  - ALASBO contracted with EED to complete OASIS II

# Significant Events in the History of the Alaska Association of School Business Officials

- 2000 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Legislative Workshop held in Juneau
  - John Tongen named honorary lifetime member
  - Melody Douglas elected to ASBO Board of Directors
  - Professional Development Grants renamed in honor of Lowell Thomas Freeman
  - Strategic Plan developed
- 2001 Melody Douglas chaired ASBO International's Affiliate Executive Directors Group
  - ALASBO contracted by EED for continued development of OASIS project
- 2002 Policy Manual Adopted
  - Committee Manual Revised
  - · ALASBO work group worked with AIR consultants on School Cost Study survey instrument
  - Implemented formal Financial Statements
- 2003 Dave Jones received ASBO Eagle Award for Service to Community
  - Melody Douglas elected as Vice President of ASBO International, to serve in 2004
  - Tammy White appointed Executive Director
  - Resource CD developed for new business managers
- 2004 Melody Douglas serves as Vice President of ASBO International
  - Dave Jones serves as Vice Chair of ASBO International Legal Aspects Committee
- 2005 Melody Douglas serves as President-Elect of ASBO International
  - Power Lunch program launched
  - Lucienne Smith serves as Vice Chair of the ASBO International Purchasing and Supply Management Committee
  - ALASBO Board held the first Summer Leadership meeting and completed reorganization of the committees and the election process
  - CORE, Inc. becomes sponsor for the Lowell Thomas Freeman Professional Development Grant
- 2006 Melody Douglas presided as President of ASBO International during the ASBO Annual Meeting and Exhibits in Pittsburgh, PA "<u>Shaping the Future</u>"
  - Lucienne Smith honored with Pinnacle of Achievement award at ASBO International Conference
  - Board held the second Summer Leadership meeting to review and revise ALASBO's Mission Statement and Strategic Plan. The end result was a plan to hire a part time Executive Director
- Melody Douglas served her last year on the Board of ASBO International as the Immediate Past President
  - Duane Guiley hired as ALASBO's first paid part-time Executive Director
  - Dave Jones began a 2-year term as Chair of the ASBO Legal Aspects Committee
  - ALASBO begins participating in Illinois ASBO procurement card (p-card) program
- 2008 The first School Business Academy is held
  - Melody Douglas received ASBO's Distinguished Professional Eagle Award for Service
  - Richard M. Swarner: Shaping the Future Leadership Grant is announced, sponsored by the Swarner family
  - Kerry Jarrell, Clara Langton, and Betty Zabielski are named honorary lifetime members
- 2009 Melody Douglas, Duane Guiley and Dennis Niedermeyer named honorary lifetime members
  - Amy Lujan hired as part-time Executive Director
  - Shift to development of Legislative Joint Position Statements and closer involvement with ACSA
  - Jenny Martens serves ASBO International on the Job Task Analysis Panel to begin the work of what will become ASBO's Certification in School Finance and Operations (SFO) program
- 2010 ALASBO adopted ASBO International Professional Standards and Code of Ethics
  - Janet Stokesbary named honorary lifetime member
  - Jenny Martens and Dave Jones serve ASBO International on the Certification Exam Committee and Dennis Niedermeyer serves on the Cut Score Committee for the SFO program
  - ALASBO members take SFO beta test

# Significant Events in the History of the Alaska Association of School Business Officials

- 2011 Eddy Jeans named honorary lifetime member
- 2012 ALASBO celebrates 40th annual conference
  - Management Review Ad Hoc Committee established to create program to assist school districts with a review of business operations
  - Patti Carlson named honorary lifetime member
- 2013 Lisa Pearce serves as Vice Chair of ASBO International School Food & Nutrition Committee
  - Cindy Reilly serves as Vice Chair of ASBO International Professional Development Committee
  - René Spracklen and Pam Chenier named honorary lifetime members
  - ALASBO announces SFO certification scholarship sponsored by Douglas Business Management Services
- 2014 ALASBO Improvement Model (AIM) Introduced
- 2015 ALASBO launches new website
  - Tammy White named honorary lifetime member
- 2016 Loreen Kramer, Robin Mullins and Karen Goodwin named honorary lifetime members
- 2017 Laurie Olson, Colleen Fitzgerald and John Sanbei named honorary lifetime members
  - Chart of Accounts Ad Hoc Committee established to recommend changes to the State Chart of Accounts
- 2018 Holly Holman, David Means, Jenny Martens and Pam Roope named Honorary Lifetime Members
  - Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) Committee releases SOP template documents integrated with AIM rubic
  - DCR Forfeitures Ad Hoc Committee formed to help resolve FY18 accounting issues
  - New Business Manager Institute (NBMI) Ad Hoc Committee prepares and launches new training program December 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Melody Douglas appointed Associate Executive Director
  - Cvent conference registration system implemented
- 2019 Amy Lujan named honorary lifetime member
  - Melody Douglas named Interim Executive Director in January
  - Darcy Carter named Executive Director in September
  - · Legislative Liaisons added to support the Legislative Committee
  - ALASBO newsletter upgraded to electronic format
  - Ad-hoc Board Policy/Standard Operating Procedures Committee established
  - Bylaws were reviewed, revised and presented to the membership for action
  - Revised Internal Controls
  - · Quickbooks software implemented to account for ALASBO financial activity
  - Amy Lujan wrote Alaska Funding Chapter published in 'Funding Public Schools in the United States and Indian Country'
- 2020 Meetings previously held by phone conference calls were updated to being held on Zoom
  - The Alaska Community was established on the ASBO International platform which provides an excellent communication tool for our members
  - First ever Virtual Summer Leadership Conference held
  - First ever Virtual Annual Conference held
  - Revised the Committee Manual
  - Adopted a new sponsorship model
  - Updated ALASBO job descriptions
  - Approved a new ALASBO logo
  - Revised Board Policy
  - Extended complimentary registration to superintendents to attend the ALASBO Annual Conference
  - Initiated exploration of expanding professional development offerings to ALASBO members
  - Jim Anderson, Anchorage School District, honored with Pinnacle of Achievement Award from ASBO International

## Significant Events in the History of the Alaska Association of School Business Officials

- 2021 Jennifer Schmitz hired as ALASBO's Education Director
  - ALASBO expanded PD to include HR. IT and Maintenance
  - Revised School Business Academy Program
  - Cassee Olin appointed Treasurer
  - Amy Lujan updated Alaska funding chapter for a new publication of funding U.S. schools first published in 2019
  - ALASBO awarded a DEED grant to support PD expansion
  - ALASBO Summer Leadership Conference held virtually
  - ALASBO Annual Conference held virtually
- 2022 Strategic Plan updated
  - Maintenance Training Program created
  - AASB/ALASBO/ASA Work Group Completed Review of AASB Article 3- Business and Non-Instruction and Select Other Model Board Polices and Administrative Regulations
  - ALASBO Bylaws Updated
  - Alaska Schools Data Protection Work Group Collaborated to Create BP/AR Implementation/Compliance Template
  - Standard Operating Procedures Work Group Created to Revise SOPs per Updated AASB Model Policies

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Adopted updated ASBO Code of Ethics and Professional Standards



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**Coming in 2023 in collaboration with AASB— Facilities and Maintenance Training Program** — This training is based on the book *Good School Maintenance* that is the basis for a similar program offered by Illinois ASBO. The Alaska School Maintenance Work Group is reviewing the training material with the help of one of the authors to ensure the guidance is pertinent to Alaska school districts. The goal of this professional development program is best practices in school facility management and maintenance.

October 18:	HR 2022-2023 Workshop Series Certifications and Visas presented by Sondra Meredith, DEED	
November 15:	Background Checks and other Hiring Tips and Legal Interviewing and Making a Selection presented by Carleen Mitchell, APEI	
January 17:	<u>Personnel Action Forms and Hiring of Classified Staff</u> presented by John Sedor, Esquire	
February 21:	Record Keeping, Investigations and Due Process (presenter TBA)	
March 21:	<u>FMLA, ADA, AFLA and Workman's Comp</u> presented by Carleen Mitchell, APEI	
April 11:	Negotiations and Negotiated Agreements (presenter TBA)	
All sessions run 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and will be held via Zoom.		
There will be an option to stay on the call after it concludes to visit/consult/brainstorm with your colleagues about any topic on your mind.		

Note: These sessions are recorded. You can still register for this professional development series by contacting Darcy Carter at darcy.carter@alasbo.org

**Power Lunches** are one-hour meetings on a variety of timely topics held the second Tuesday of most months at 11:00 a.m. These sessions are recorded.

