

**To: Members of the State Board of
Education and Early Development**

September 7, 2022

From: Heidi Teshner, Acting Commissioner

Agenda Item: 13

◆ **ISSUE**

The board is being asked to convene in executive session for the purpose of interviewing and selecting a student advisor to the board for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year.

◆ **BACKGROUND**

- 4 AAC 03.025 governs the appointment of the board's student advisor members. A copy of the current regulation follows this cover memo.
- Typically, there are two student advisory members on the State Board, one as a student advisor and one as a student advisor-elect. The term of the student advisor-elect begins immediately upon the board's action to appoint the student advisor-elect. The following school year the student advisor-elect automatically rotates into the position of student advisor on July 1 of that year.
- One student, who is currently a freshman in high school, is under consideration in accordance with the selection process inviting nominations from the Alaska Association of Student Government. Application materials for the nominee will be distributed separately to board members.
- The candidate is:
 - Maggie Cothron

◆ **ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION**

Convene an executive session to interview a candidate for student advisor. An executive session is in accordance with the state's open meetings act, AS 44.62.310(c)(2), specifically the provision related to "subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, provided the person may request a public discussion."

◆ **SUGGESTED MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

I move the State Board of Education and Early Development convene in executive session to interview a candidate for student advisor for the remainder of the 2022-2023 school year. An executive session is necessary so as to not prejudice the reputation and character of any person being interviewed.

◆ **SUGGESTED MOTION TO RECONVENE**

I move the State Board of Education and Early Development reconvene into regular session.

◆ **SUGGESTED MOTION FOR FINAL SELECTION**

I move the State Board of Education and Early Development select Maggie Cothron as its Student Advisor for the 2022-2023 school year.