

Homer High School Site Council

February 3, 2026

Minutes



Site Council members present:

✓Lia Calhoun (Community)

✓Marina Co (Student)

✓Deb Curtis (Support Staff)

✓Casey Eberle (Parent)

Julie Gauthier (Support Staff)

✓Mike Illg (President/Parent)

✓Rachel Kincaid (Community)

✓Vicki Lowe (Teacher)

✓Erica Marley (Parent)

✓Eric Pederson (Principal)

✓Reid Rauch (Student)

Sue Reynolds (Teacher)

✓Sarah Richardson (Secretary/Parent)

Kyle Schneider (Vice President/Teacher)

✓Jeanette Schafer (Parent)

✓Clayton Smith (Community)

Amy Sundheim (Parent)

✓Mike Tozzo (Teacher)

Agenda

- Call to order: 4:09
- Public Comment: Vicki Lowe mentioned that she met a community member who moved to Homer because of the quality of the schools. She noted that it felt proud of the school community for this reputation.
- Approval of Agenda: Approved
- Approval of Minutes: Approved

Visitors: None

Old Business

- Homer Site Council Bylaw Review. Katie Bynagle proved an updated bylaws document that included changes and deletions from the previous meeting. The council continued reviewing sections of the bylaws document and recommending changes and updates. Katie Bynagle noted the changes and will incorporate them into a new document for review. Council is asked to review the changes made prior to the next meeting.

New Business

1. Student Council Report & Scheduling Resolution: Winter Carnival and Spirit Week are happening. Instead of a pep rally, Student Council is hosting games with prizes. The Winter Ball is happening this upcoming weekend. Prom is set for April 11th at the Porcupine Theater. Senior sweatshirts are being ordered this week. Meatball Volleyball is happening on the 17th or 18th.
2. Student Council Scheduling Resolution: Marina and Reid presented a resolution to revert to the 2024-2025 passing period schedule. Site Council agreed that they did a thorough job of presenting their resolution and a discussion ensued about tardies, behavior, breaks in learning, and teacher readiness. Council to revisit at the next meeting.
3. School Facilities Report: The school theater was inspected by Stagecraft following a safety incident involving failure of the batten at the theater. Admin is working to get the main five user groups together for a discussion about new procedures and storage at the theater. Restrooms will hopefully be open in time for the Winter Carnival. Borough maintenance is coming to paint classrooms. The District has stated that they are getting out of the pool

business and schools are waiting to see what that means.

4. Proposed J-Term: Still in planning stage of the J-Term. Eric gave a proposal to the school board about the J-Term, a two-week intensive after the Christmas break. While it's still in the planning stages, there was some push-back from the district.
5. Administrative Report: Congratulations to Kyle Schneider for his state music award. A new social studies curriculum is being launched for next year. District is releasing its Balancing Act app to contend with an \$8.5M deficit. There is a budget meeting next Tuesday at HHS and all are encouraged to attend. The School is slated for one more full time position next year. HHS is hosting the region 2A basketball tournament for Ninilchik.
6. Upcoming Events: Budget Meeting on 2/10/26 at 6PM in the Homer High School Library.

Meeting Adjourned: 5:15