

KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AGENDA STATEMENT

No. 8 c.

MEETING OF August 23, 2023

ITEM TITLE:

NEW BUSINESS

[X] Superintendent

Motion to set paid food service pricing for FY2023-2024.

SUBMITTED BY: Daniel B. Schuler, Business Manager 907 247 2116

APPROVED FOR SUBMITTAL: Michael Robbins, Superintendent

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The School Board is being asked to set paid school lunch prices as result of federal requirements and the sustainability of the district's food service program.

ISSUE: Board Policy 3550 states, "The School Board intends that, insofar as possible, the school food service program shall be self-supporting and may include foods from school gardens, greenhouses, and farms. The Board shall review and approve of menu prices."

BACKGROUND:

Annually, Alaska school districts that participate in the National School Lunch Program are required to meet the requirements of the Paid Lunch Equity Policy Memo SP39-2011. This Federal policy requires school food authorities (SFAs) participating in the National School Lunch Program to ensure that sufficient funds are provided to the nonprofit school food service account for meals served to students not eligible for free or reduced-price meals. One way to meet this requirement is for an SFA to make the determination that it is in a sufficiently "Strong Financial Position" with respect to its food service program and is meeting or exceeding the PLE requirements and to subsequently request an exemption from the calculated proposed price increases per the PLE. KGBSD had a positive beginning fund balance in the Food Service Special Revenue Fund as of June 30, 2022, and had a positive position from operations for FY2023-2024 and as such has requested a waiver from the potential capped \$.10 increase for student paid school lunch pricing for FY2023-2024. The KGBSD Administration is requesting that paid school lunch pricing remains status quo from FY2022-2023 as follows:

- Breakfast  
\$1.25 (all school sites)
  
- Lunches  
Elementary & Middle School = \$3.60 High School = \$3.85 Adult Meals = \$6.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the proposed school lunch pricing for FY2023-2024.

FISCAL NOTE: N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION: "I move that the Board of Education approve the paid school lunch program prices for FY2023-2024 as presented."