

Polaris K-12 School Resolution #12 <u>Polaris General Assembly</u> Submitted by Lila White April 29, 2023

Be it resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments that Polaris General Assembly be established at Polaris K-12:

- 1. Whereas, General Assembly provides Polaris students an opportunity to read, discuss, and debate resolutions submitted by their peers;
- 2. Whereas, middle and high school students should have as many opportunities as possible to participate in governmental procedures in a professional setting;
- **3.** Whereas, a middle school language arts teacher has been encouraging and facilitating a resolution workshop in her language arts classes, making a Polaris General Assembly (PGA) more relevant;
- 4. Whereas, Polaris has already passed resolutions in Operational Group Meetings, as well as through Alaska Association of Student Government;
- 5. Whereas, resolutions passed through PGA may be brought to AASG or SAB for discussion and debate;
- 6. Whereas, the General Assembly would be held after school on Polaris Learning Community (PLC) days where the last 2 hours of school time is left for teachers to have learning workshops;
- 7. Whereas, PGA would be held once in November and once in April;
- 8. Whereas, each Advisory, 12 groups of 6-12th graders that participate in daily activities together, would send delegates to participate in the assembly;

- 9. Whereas, all participation would be voluntary, but encouraged;
- 10. Whereas, each Advisory would have a singular vote;
- **11. Whereas,** students would be encouraged to write resolutions on topics that affect just their advisory or the entirety of Polaris;
- **12. Whereas,** current members of the Operational Board, the formal Polaris student government, would act as the executive board with designated positions;
- **13. Whereas,** PGA would be modeled off of AASG General Assembly, following Parliamentary Procedure in general situations and relying on Robert's Rules of Order when necessary.

Therefore, be it resolved by Alaska Association of Student Governments, that Polaris General Assembly be established at Polaris K-12.

Action Statement: If this resolution is approved, then the first Polaris General Assembly will be held on the closest PLC-day. All advisories will be notified and encouraged to participate. The OP Board will prepare themselves to be an executive board by reviewing Parliamentary Procedure and specifying their individual duties for the event.

Passed by the Spring 2023 General Assembly of AASG hosted by Skagway High School

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