



LEADERSHIP BIOGRAPHIES

Sandy Shroyer-Beaver

President, Northwest Arctic Borough School District Board of Education

Sandy Shroyer-Beaver currently serves as the President of the Northwest Arctic Borough School District Board of Education. The Northwest Arctic Borough School District serves the 11 villages of the Northwest Arctic Borough.

She has served on various boards and committees for the past twenty years, Kikiktagruk Inupiat Corporation, Kotzebue IRA, Maniilaq Association and Northwest Arctic Borough School District.

She is employed by Maniilaq Association as the Business Office Manager. Her favorite time of the year is basketball season, whether she is being a spectator or broadcasting games on the radio for KOTZ Radio (which she's been doing for over 25 years.) Outside the boardroom, she is an active community member, organizing or participating in fundraisers to help community members or students in need. She consistently leads by example whether she's on the court coaching the Little Dribblers basketball league or coaching a softball team. According to Sandy, there just aren't enough hours in the day when you're having such a good time with kids! Her dedication to youth and involvement in community services has a positive impact on both her community and other members of different communities within the Northwest Arctic Borough.

She is married to Allen Beaver, they have five children and one grandson.

Dr. Norman Eck

Superintendent, Northwest Arctic Borough School District

Dr. Norman Eck has been a public school administrator for 17 years. He has been Superintendent of the Northwest Arctic Borough School District for the past 7 years. This is the 15th year that Dr. Eck and his family have lived in the Northwest Arctic Borough and worked for the School District. In addition to being the Superintendent he has been a principal and a director in the District's administration. In 2009, Dr. Eck was named Alaska's Superintendent of the Year. He represented all Alaska superintendents in the AASA National Conference in San Francisco. Dr. Eck spoke and wrote for the conference addressing the needs and accomplishments of education in Northwest Alaska.

Prior to moving to Alaska, Dr. Eck worked in the Southwestern part of the United States. He spent 12 years as a teacher, curriculum writer, and publisher of education materials on the Navajo Nation. During the decade of the 1980s, Dr. Eck and Mrs. Eck owned and operated their own printing and publishing company in Southwest Colorado.

Additionally, Dr. Eck has been an adjunct professor with Alaska Pacific University, the University of Alaska Southeast, University of Alaska Anchorage and Chukchi College. He is also a veteran of the United States Navy Reserve in which he served from 1971 to 1976.

Dr. Eck has two Bachelor's Degrees from Fort Lewis College, Durango, CO. He received a degree in Anthropology in 1974 and a degree in English Education in 1991. Dr. Eck earned a Masters Degree from Prescott College in Educational Leadership in 1995 and a Ph.D. with emphasis in Native Education from Union Institute, Cincinnati, OH in 1997.

Dr. Eck is married to Jeri, wife of 41 years, a certified teacher. They have two children, a son and a daughter.