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Chapter 66 - Regional Resource Centers

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1 P R O C E E D I N G S
2 **JAKE ALMEIDA:** Okay, go ahead and record.
3 Good morning, everyone. I'd like to
4 welcome you to today's Administrative Order 360, or AO,
5 input session on Chapter 66, and thank you for joining
6 us.
7 The purpose of this meeting is to hear
8 directly from stakeholders and members of the public
9 regarding regulatory burdens or barriers you believe
10 should be addressed as part of Alaska's AO 360 reform
11 project.
12 Your input is critical in helping us
13 shape meaningful changes that support students and
14 schools. To honor your time today, the session will
15 end promptly on the hour.
16 To clarify the process, these stakeholder
17 meetings are opportunities for us to listen to your
18 perspectives before any regulations are drafted,
19 amended, or repealed. This is not the formal comment
20 process under the Administrative Procedure Act, APA.
21 That process will begin later after draft regulations
22 have undergone legal review and have been formally
23 approved for public comment.
24 As part of our regulatory reform plan,
25 the department must create a list of all comments we

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1 receive during the stakeholder process along with
2 whether we intend to implement each recommendation. If
3 we [sic] adopt a recommendation, we are required to
4 explain why not. This is why your feedback today is so
5 valuable. It will directly shape the department's
6 analysis and inform you of the next steps.
7 So here is how we will proceed today.
8 First we'll hear a short overview of the regulations
9 for this meeting, then we'll move into the comment
10 period where you may share your input.
11 Verbal feedback will be recorded,
12 summarized, and included in the department's reform
13 plan. Written feedback will be accepted for 30 days
14 following this session. Please reference the chat for
15 information on submitting written feedback.
16 So I will now turn it over to Ms. Deb
17 Riddle, and she will walk through Chapter 66. And I'll
18 let her introduce herself.
19 **DEBORAH RIDDLE:** Good morning. This is
20 Deb Riddle, and I will be working with you on the
21 Chapter 66 Regional Resource Center regulations.
22 There are six regulations in this
23 section. They go over the establishment of a regional
24 resource center. That includes the creation of a
25 board, the boundaries of a regional resource center,

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1 there are six regions that a center can be organized
2 in, and how to manage or work with districts not within
3 that region.
4 The regulations also discuss the duties
5 of the regional resource center that include having a
6 board, creating bylaws for that board. They also
7 discuss the financial oversight, which is an annual
8 audit, and the use of an advisory council as part of
9 the process for decision making for the board.
10 There is also a section on definitions
11 for key terms that were utilized within the
12 regulations.
13 **JAKE ALMEIDA:** Okay, thank you, Deb.
14 Since there is no one in the room right now ready to
15 provide testimony, we will just go ahead and wait on
16 hold until someone does.
17 (Pause)
18 **JAKE ALMEIDA:** We will now conclude this
19 public stakeholder meeting for Chapter 66 for the
20 Department of Education and Early Development related
21 regulations on Tuesday, October 14th at 8:20 a.m.
22 If you are watching this recording and
23 would still like to submit feedback regarding these
24 regulations, you can go on our website at
25 education.alaska.gov/ao360 and it will be submitted for

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1 the recording that way. We will now close this
2 meeting.
3 (Meeting concluded)
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