


SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNICATION

Title:	Soldotna Area Schools Conversation		
Date:	February 20, 2013	Item Number:	Worksession
Administrator:	Steve Atwater, Ph.D. Superintendent of Schools		
Attachments:			

Action Needed
 For Discussion
 Information
 Other: _____

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

For the past several years the District's Administration has explored whether it makes sense to reconfigure the secondary schools in the Soldotna Attendance Area. This exploration is primarily in response to the two high schools replicating services with a declining enrollment. In sum, both area high schools are able to offer our students less than what they did several years ago.

For the past year, Assistant Superintendent Dusek has led an effort to examine this issue. Working with the Soldotna area principals and district administrators, the group concluded that the best change would be to create one high school for grades 10-12 (housed in the existing Soldotna High School) and divide the other secondary students between two 7-9 grade schools (housed in Soldotna Middle and Skyview HS). The group has gathered an enormous amount of feedback from area stakeholders on this proposal and will present a summary of this to you at this worksession.

The purpose of this worksession is for you to review the presented information and to think in terms of whether you support this proposal. If appropriate, at your April meeting, the District will be bringing forward a recommendation for approval of this proposal.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

N/A