

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION BUILDING Soldotna, Alaska 99669

July 19, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Carl Glick, President
Mr. Jerry Hobart, Treasurer
Mrs. Marie Mott, Clerk
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Member
Ms. Mary Shields, Member
Mr. Edward Rehder, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent
Mr. Walter Ward; Superintendent/Operations & Vo. Ed.
Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxillary Services
Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Barbara Banta
Mr. Patrick O'Connell
Mrs. Faith Chase
Mr. Richard Skinner
Mrs. Barbara Jeweil
Mr. Tom Murphy
Mr. Howard Partch
Mr. Tom Baker
Mrs. Catherine Parker
Mr. Burt McAllister

Mr. Burt McAllister Mr. Burton Carver

Others present not identified.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Glick invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OATH OF OFFICE:

The Oath of Office was administered to the newly appointed board member, Mrs. Sharon Brower, by Notary Public, Barbara Jewell.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava
Mrs. Marie Mott
Ms. Mary Shields
Mrs. Sharon Brower
Mr. Edward Rehder
Mr. Jerry Hobart
Mr. Carl Glick

Present
Present
Present
Present
Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of June 21, 1976, were approved as written.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Dr. Gallaher read four communications: the first from Mr. Clayton E. Brockel expressing his gratitude for the cooperation and faith the Board of Education has shown the Kenai Peninsula Community College; the second from Ms. Mary Shields submitting her resignation from the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education due to an employment move, effective July 19, 1976; the third from Mrs. Marie Mott tendering her resignation from the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education, effective July 19, 1976; the fourth

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COMMUNICATIONS (Con't.):

from Mr. Joe Carter, Seward Advisory Committee, recommending Mr. Fred Kremar to fill the vacancy of Mrs. Mott on the Kanai Peninsuia Borough Board of Education.

HIGH SCHOOLS/ENGLISH BAY & PORT GRAHAM:

Dr. Gallaher reported that through legislation and regulations developed by the State Department of Education, any community incorporated or unincorporated, which has an established elementary school and one or more students of high school age, has the opportunity of determining whether or not a secondary school program is provided in the community. The residents of English Bay, Port Graham, and possibly Hope will be notified in writing by August 15, of this right. A decision will be made by the residents as to whether they will establish a secondary school program in their respective village or retain the present system. A representative from the State Department of Education and the Superintendent or designee(s) will meet with the area residents to discuss the program, alternatives, and assess facilities.

Ms. Shields inquired that since the new regulations developed by the State Department of Education concerning secondary school programs are in effect, what alternative would be available if Soldotna residents request a secondary program by 1977? Also, would secondary school programs be available at Anchor Point, Tustumena, Sterling, North Kenai, Nikolaevsk, Cooper Landing and Moose Pass?

Dr. Galiaher stated that since the high school students in these schools are presently being transported to established high schools in the area and are within reasonable transportation distances, the regulations do not apply.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward reported that carpeting at East Homer will be completed by August 15. Work on the interior of Russian Village School is In progress; however, it is doubtful the work will be completed by August 30. Final inspection of Soldotna Elementary was Thursday, July 15. The interior is to be repainted. Final inspection of the eight classrooms and I.M.C. at KCHS was Thursday, July 15. Carpet is being installed. It is doubtful that the pool will be completed by August 15. The Bob Bartlett project at Tyonek is progressing well.

K.P.E.A .:

Mr. Tom Murphy, K.P.E.A. Representative, recommended to the school board that Mr. Harold Maze of the Federal Mediation & Conciliation Service, be appointed as mediator and/or arbitrator for the Extra-Curricular Salaries Negotiations. Another alternative suggested was to select a person from the American Arbitration Association. However, he stated that in this case, it may be someone that has not had extensive experience in this type of negotiations, whereas Mr. Maze has.

HOMER HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION:

Mr. Howard Partch, Kenneth Maynard Associates, presented to the board three different schematics for the nine classroom addition to the Homer High School. Mr. Tom Baker discussed the electrial and mechanical aspects of the schematics.

HOMER HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION (Con't.): ACTION Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Schematic A, including the extra facilities for a nine classroom addition to the Homer High School, and to recommend approval by the Borough Assembly at the earliest possible date. Mrs. Mott seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR NEGOTIATIONS:

Mrs. Cannava suggested returning to the negotiations table with K.P.E.A. rather than hiring an arbitrator as the cost of an arbitrator would be sufficient to fund a school activity.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to go back to the negotiating table.

Mrs. Brower seconded.

Ms. Shleids inquired if it is possible to go back to the negotiating table since the governor has been contacted.

Dr. Gallaher replied in the affirmative.

VOTE: Yes - Rehder, Cannava, Brower, Hobart, Mott, Shieids, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

SEWARD BUS BID:

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he received three bids for a bus for Seward. One from Carver Company, inc. for a 1976, 66 passenger bus with a \$975.00 trade-in allowance making the net amount \$19,525 F.O.B. Seward. One from Carrington Co. for a 1977 model with a trade-in of \$1,000 making the net cost \$19,922 F.O.B. Seward, and West Coast Bus Sales, \$19,949 for a 1977 model with no trade-in.

Mr. Kirkpatrick recommended awarding the Seward Bus bid to Carver Company, Inc., as it did comply with the bid requirements and they will have the bus in Seward before school begins.

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the bid of Carver Company, Inc. for a 1976, 66 passenger bus at a net cost of \$19,525, including the trade-in of \$975 and delivery to Seward by August 30, 1976. Mr. Rehder seconded.

VOTE: Yes - 'Shields, Brower, Mott, Hobart, Cannava, Rehder, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

FUEL BIDS:

Mr. Swarner recommended fuel contracts be awarded as follows:

Doyles Fuel Service, Inc.		Alaska Oil Sales, Inc.		
Anchor Point	\$.36828	East Homer	\$.352	
Niniichik '	\$.36828	Homer Jr/Sr High	\$.352	
Seward Elementary	\$.36828	Tustumena	\$.362	
Seward High	\$.36828	English Bay	\$.352	FOB Homer
Nikolaevsk .				Dock

ACTION

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FUEL BIDS (Con't.):

Star Products Co.

Standard OII

Moose Pass

\$.391

Cooper Landing Susan English \$.391

Port Graham

\$.396 \$.381

There was one gasoline bid for the Seward buses from Star Products Company for \$.596 per gallon.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to award fuel contracts and the gasoline bid for the Seward buses as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Ms. Shields seconded.

VOTE: Yes - Shields, Rehder, Mott, Cannava, Hobart, Brower, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT,
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS/RULES &
REGULATIONS, NONDISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEX
OR EDUCATION PROGRAMS &
ACTIVITIES - POLICY
CHANGES:

Dr. Gallaher stated that board action on the policy changes for Corporal Punishment, Community Schools/Rules and Regulations, and Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex or Education Programs and Activities will be requested at a subsequent meeting. Ms. Shields recommended adding the teachers name to the log on Corporal Punishment; the board concurred.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended contracts for: Robert Boudreaux, Health, Physical Education, Head Football Coach and other coaching, Kenai Central High; Alvin Mark Brown, Wrestling, Alternative Study, Kenai Central High; Patricia DeBusschere, Special Education. Sterling/Tustumena; Susan Dunk, Deaf Education, Special Education, District; Mary Louise Mutter-McCard, Special Education, Soldotna Elementary; William S. Haii, Industrial Arts - Vocational Education, Math, Bob Bartlett Elem/High; James A. Nelson, Special Education, Anchor Point/Nikolaevsk; Paul Zobeck, Physical Education, Science, Coaching, Bob Bartlett Elem/High; Barbara Browning, Business Education, English, Homer High; Kelly Macaulay, 1/2 time, Physical Education, East Homer Elementary; Michael Hopson, Language Arts, Physical Education, Anchor Point Elementary, Carol M. Nelson, Grade i (one year assignment), East Homer Elementary, effective August 30, 1976; Donald Szepanski, Counselor, Homer Jr/Sr High, effective August 23, 1976.

ACTION

Mrs. Mott moved to approve contracts for the above as recommended by Dr. Gallaher. Ms. Shields seconded.

Motion carried unanimousiy.

KCHS ADMINISTRATOR(S):

Dr. Gallaher recommended employment of Mr. Gary H. Deutschlander, Berea, Ohio as Principal of Kenai Central High School for the 1976-77 school year. Dr. Gallaher stated that Mr. Deutschlander has had 10 years of classroom experience, one year as principal of a small secondary school (750 students), five years as assistant principal of a senior high school, six years as Coordinator of Secondary Education, and six years as principal of a high school

KCHS ADMINISTRATOR(S)
(Continued):
ACTION

that grew from 700 to 2,000.

Mr. Hobart moved to approve a contract for Mr. Gary H. Deutschlander Berea, Ohio as Principal of Kenai Central High School for the 1976-77 school year. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESIGNATIONS:

Dr. Galiaher recommended acceptance of the resignations of John Stoner, Anchor Point; Tamara Wilcox, Business Education, Home Economics, Bob Bartlett; and the returned contract of Dr. Peter Larson, Vice-Principal, Kenai Central High School.

ACTION

Ms. Shields moved to accept the resignations of John Stoner, Anchor Point; Tamara Wilcox, Business Education, Home Economics, Bob Bartiett; and the returned contract of Dr. Peter Larson, Vice Principal, Kenai Central High School. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously. .

VOIDANCE OF CONTRACT:

Dr. Gallaher asked concurrence of: the board on his decision to void the contract of John Grove, Industrial Arts Teacher, Kenai Junior High School. Dr. Gallaher stated that Mr. Grove's performance is very satisfactory. However, he did not return his contract signed within the 30 days after he received the contract.

ACTION

By general consent, the board concurred with the Superintendent's action to void Mr. John Grove's contract, Industrial Arts teacher, Kenai Junior High School...

RESIGNATIONS - MRS. MOTT & MS. SHIELDS: ACTION Mr. Rehder moved to accept the resignations of Mrs. Marie Mott and Ms. Mary Shields from the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education, effective July 19, 1976, with regret. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

SEWARD ELEMENTARY:

Mrs. Mott stated that the Seward Elementary School is in need of a new carpet.

Mr. Ward stated that there are no plans to replace the carpet at Seward Elementary this year. However, there is a maintenance crew that will be in that school in August doing repair work.

**BUS CONTRACTOR:** 

Mr. Kirkpatrick read a communication from Mrs. Emma Merritt stating that due to poor health, she must give up her school bus contract. She recommended that Mr. Donald Lamoreaux of Moose Pass be offered the school bus contract. Mr. Kirkpatrick asked for the boards concurrence in further investigating Mr. Lamoreaux; and if found to be satisfactory, he will request from the State Department of Education that this transfer be made.

ACTION

By general consent, the board concurred with Mr. Kirkpatrick's request.

NINILCHIK HIGH SCHOOL:

Mrs. Barbara Banta stated her concern with English Bay and Port Graham having high schools. She stated that at the present time boarding students from Port Graham and English Bay are attending the NiniIchik High School as well as students from surrounding areas. The present enrollment is 75 students. However, when the Soldotna High School is built and if secondary programs are offered at English Bay and Port Graham, enrollment will drop considerably; and the NiniIchik High School will suffer. She suggested that boundaries be established so that students are required to attend a particular school.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ACTION

At 9:32 p.m., Ms. Shields moved that the board go into executive session to discuss personnel, a subject that may tend to prejudice the reputation or character of a person. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 10:25 p.m., the executive session was adjourned.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION:

ACTION

At 10:27 p.m., Ms. Shields moved the board reconvene into regular session. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEGOTIATING TEAM:

Mr. Glick was named to replace Rev. Bruce Bartel on the Board's

Negotiating Team.

ADJOURN:

At 10:30 p.m., by general consent of the board, the school board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully.

Mr. Carl Glick, President

Mrs. Marie Mott, Clerk

The minutes of July 19, 1976, are not approved as of this date.



## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION BUILDING Soldotna, Alaska 99669

August 2, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Carl Glick, President Carl Glick, President

Mr. Jerry Hobart, Treasurer Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Member Mr. Edward Rehder, Member Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Vo. Ed.

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Patrick O'Connell Mrs. Joyce Thompson Mrs. Shirley Crateau Mr. Tom Murphy

Mrs. Barbara Jewell Mr. & Mrs. Paul Fischer

Mrs. Calvin Owens Mr. Justin Maile

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., by Mr. Glick

Mr. Glick invited those present to participate in the

Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present
Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mr. Edward Rehder Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present
Mr. Carl Glick Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of July 19, 1976, were approved as written.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER: ACTION Mr. Hobart moved to appoint Mr. Frederic Kremer to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. Marie Mott on the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hobart recommended postponement of the filling of the vacant position until August 16 since the two requests for consideration were not received in time for board evaluation. Dr. Gallaher stated that the seats being filled by appointment will become vacant for the general election in October.

OATH OF OFFICE:

The Oath of Office was administered to the newly appointed board member, Mr. Frederic Kremer, by Notary Public, Barbara Jeweil.

COMMUNICATIONS:

KENAI PENNINSULA COMMUNITY COLLEGE: Dr. Gallaher read a communication from Mr. Tom Wagoner, Acting Director, of the Kenai Peninsula Community College, requesting the use of funds appropriated by the Board of Education for the employment of one full-time electronics instructor, rather than utilizing the funds for two half-time positions.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Gallaher stated that any community which has an established elementary school and one or more students of high school age, if the high school students are not being transported to established high schools within a reasonable transportation distance, have the right to determine whether it will establish a secondary shool program. A notice apprising people of this opportunity for a secondary program must go to the residents of English Bay and Port Graham by August i5. Distribution of the notice has been arranged through the Advisory School Committees. He stated that in talking with a Hope Resident, there are now nine school-age children. He added that this figure may change by the beginning of school, but if not an elementary school must be established for 1976-77 and the opportunity to determine if a high school program shall be offered in 1977-78.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION LAWS:

Dr. Gallaher reported on the 1976 legislative session laws which are pertinent to public education. He stated that 1) exceptional children no longer need to be transported separately from children attending regular classes, except when the nature of their physical or mental handicap is such that it is in the best interest of the exceptional child, as determined by the school, that they be transported separately, 2) no state employee or school district employee may be denied the right to serve as an elected municipal official because of his employment by the state or a school district uniess specifically prohibited by charter or ordinance of a municipality, adopted at a special or general election. However, no school district employee may serve on a school district board in the school district where he is employed. 3) Revocation or suspension of a teacher's certificate by the Professional Teaching Practices Commission is no longer subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Education, except in the case of an administrator. 4) The minimum level of state support has been raised from 93% to 95% of basic need and retains the base instructional unit for the 1976-77 fiscal year at \$25,000 and provides a basic unit value of \$27,500 for the following fiscal year. However, Dr. Gallaher stated that the amount of money received from Mini-Law 874 will be reduced to half for fiscal year 1977, thereafter the Mini-Law 874 will be entirely eliminated, 5) it is now mandatory that all contracted teachers become members of the teacher's retirement system, 6) compulsory

LEGISLATIVE SESSION LAWS: (Continued)

CONSTRUCTION:

EDUCATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS:

CURRICULUM REPORT:

**NEW COURSE OFFERINGS:** 

retirement at age 65 has been eliminated, and 7) Regional Resources Centers have been created.

Mr. Ward reported the construction program at Nikolaevsk is progressing as scheduled. The wood frame buildings are in the process of being moved. The request for bids for the athletic field at Ninilchik will be published next week. Carpeting is to be installed at Soldotna Elementary next week. The Central Office Staff and Borough Staff met with Mr. Bill Kim, Architect, to discuss the three schools project - Anchor Point, Tustumena, and Sterling. The library furniture has been installed in the Media Center at Kenai Central High School. Books are presently being moved into the new facility. The concrete slab for the new addition at Tyonek may have to be removed due to inferior aggregate used in the concrete.

Dr. Hall presented to the Board of Education a revision of the Basic Educational Specifications. He reported that he had been working closely with local administrators during the revision process. The new Educational Specifications deal with small elementary schools, large elementary, middle school and small and large secondary schools. He requested that the board review the educational specifications and provide him with suggestions, and take action at a subsequent meeting.

Dr. Hall presented the Board of Education with a Curriculum Report regarding the instructional program in various schools. He requested that the board review the material and relate any suggestions or comments to him.

Dr. Hall presented requests of new course offerings for the various schools for the next school year. He stated that Kenai Central, Soldotna Junior High and Kenai Junior High have requested a few new course offerings. However, the majority of the requests are from Seward High School. He stated that the Seward High School Staff and Mr. Martin, Principal, have revamped several areas of their instructional program for the next school year. He recommended that the board take action at the next regular board meeting since some of the courses are to be offered the first semester of the school year.

Mr. Rehder inquired if Seward High School's curriculum was so outdated as to require so many new course offerings.

Dr. Hali stated that Seward High School now has a staff member trained in Career and Business Education and has developed a new program which will be more beneficial to the students.

KENAI PENINSULA COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACTION: Mr. Rehder moved to approve the request of the Kenai Peninsula Community College for the use of funds appropriated by the Board of Education for the employment of one full-time electronics instructor to augment the Borough-wide Electronics Program.

Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR
SALARIES NEGOTIATIONS:

Mrs. Cannava reported that she and Mr. Glick met with K.P.E.A. negotiations representatives to develop the Extra-Curricular Salaries Schedule and Extra-Curricular Activities to fill the needs of both parties involved. She stated the document has been written for a two year period.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to adopt the Extra-Curricular Salaries Schedule as presented for the 1976-77 & 1977-78 school years. Mr. Rehder seconded. Mr. Hobart inquired what the increase from this year is. Mr. Swarner stated that the total amount for the elementary section is not known at this time. However, the major changes were in the high school and there is a cost reduction of about \$7,000 as compared to the last mediation report. Reductions were made in the areas of annual, drama, band and choral. However, there is an increase in intramurals.

VOTE: Yes - Hobart, Brower, Rehder, Cannava, Kremer, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

CORPORAL PUNISHMENT POLICY CHANGE:

Dr. Hall stated that due to federal and court regulations it is necessary that changes be made in the Corporal Punishment Policy. These changes are a result of directives from the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, particularly the Civil Rights Division. The changes involved deal with the recording and record keeping of disciplinary action. In addition, the direction requires necessary reporting by the instructional staff. Each teacher is required to report incidents of interaction and forward a summary of the incident to the Central Office for necessary compilation and record keeping. The Department of Health, Education and Welfare will request reports periodically.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the policy changes on Corporal Punishment and the reporting of all disciplinary action.
Mr. Rehder seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS RULES & REGULATIONS:

Dr. Hali recommended approval of the new policy and revisions of the Community Schools Rules and Regulations.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the new policy and revision of the Community Schools Rules and Regulations as presented. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

NON-DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEX OR EDUCATION PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES: Dr. Hall stated that the policy for Non-Discrimination on the Basis of Sex, Education Programs and Activities, is a result of federal legislation. He stated that for the last two years the district has been preparing itself for compliance with the Title IX directives. For the last year the district has proceeded to follow these guidelines, and has sent questionnairs to the schools and administrators. As a result of this, the Title IX Committee has evaluated the questionnaire responses and made necessary recommendations for compliance. The elementary schools must be in compliance with Title IX by September 1, 1976. However, there is a one year grace period for secondary schools. Dr. Hall recommended approval of the policy on Non-Discrimination on the Basis of Sex or Education Programs and Activities.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to adopt the policy on Non-Discrimination on the Basis of Sex or Education Programs and Activities as presented. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

EVALUATION OF LOCAL ADMINISTRATORS & OTHER SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL:

Dr. Hall stated that several weeks ago two policies were developed in compliance with the State Department of Education Rules and Regulations which relate to criteria that members of the teaching staff have the right (if they desire to participate) to evaluate administrators and other supervisory personnel. Copies of the policies were sent to the State Department of Education for concurrence. Verbal concurrence was received on August 2, 1976. He stated that if a teacher desires to participate in the evaluation of administrative and supervisory personnel, he or she must sign the evaluation and give the local administrator the opportunity to discuss and initial the evaluation. Evaluations will occur annually, to be completed by January 31, of each school year. The evaluation, after being initialed by the local administrator or supervisory personnel, will be forwarded to the District Superintendent's Office. He will review the evaluations and if necessary discuss the evaluations with the local administrator. The results of the evaluation will be retained in the administrators 201 file.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to adopt the policy on Teacher Evaluation of Local Administrators and Other Supervisory Personnei as outlined. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Mrs. Cannava inquired as to whom the evaluations will include. Dr. Hall stated that it will include all local administrators and supervisory personnel such as Coordinator, Community Schools; Director, Special Services; Coordinator, Correspondence; Coordinator, Health Services; Title | Director and Title | V Director.

Motion carried unanimously.

CENTRAL OFFICE EVALUATION OF LOCAL ADMINISTRATORS AND OTHER SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL: Dr. Hall stated that due to the fact that there are areas of administration that require evaluation beyond the expertise of the instructional staff, there has been a policy developed whereby the Central Office will evaluate the local administrator and other supervisory personnel. The District Superintendent, Superintendent/Operations & Vo. Ed., Superintendent/Auxiliary Services, Finance Director, and Superintendent/Instructional Services will evaluate each local administrator and then discuss the results of the evaluation with the individual. The results will be retained in the administrators 201 file.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to adopt the policy on Central Office Evaluation of Local Administrators and Other Supervisory Personnel as presented. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Dr. Gallaher reported that due to the resignation of Mrs. Mott from the Board of Education it is necessary of appoint a representative for the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education on the Community College Advisory Committee. He stated that it is not mandatory that the appointee be a board member, as it may be someone from the community. However, in the past the appointment has always been a member of the Board of Education. He added that there is a meeting of the Community College Advisory Committee scheduled for August 12th.

ACTION

Mr. Glick was appointed to serve on the Community College Advisory Committee.

Mr. Ward stated that Dr. John Wilsey has been appointed Director of the Kenai Peninsula Community College and the meeting on the 12th is to welcome the new Director to the Peninsula.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended contracts for: Rose Eckerstrom, Home Economics, Business Education, Bob Bartlett High School; Carol Ernst, Physical Education, Social Studies, Language Arts, Kenai Junior High School; Bradley Jacot, Physical Education, Social Studies, NiniIchik School; Carla Stanley 1/2 Time, Arts & Crafts, Science, to full-time, Kenai Junior High School, effective August 30, 1976.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve contracts for the staff appointments as recommended by Dr. Gallaher. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

VICE-PRINCIPAL APPOINTMENT:

Dr. Gallaher stated that at this time he has no recommendation for a Vice-Principal for Kenal Central High School.

RESIGNATIONS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended acceptance of the resignations of Stephen Norman, third grade, Soldotna Elementary and Donna Johnson, first grade, Sears Elementary School.

RESIGNATIONS: (Continued) ACTION Mr. Rehder moved to accept the resignations of Stephen Norman, third grade, Soldotna Elementary School and Donna Johnson, first grade, Sears Elementary School. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PURPOSE:

Mr. Glick stated that he and Dr. Hall attended the Regional Resource Center meeting about a month ago and at that time they were working on a policy, unaware that the governor would sign it into law. He stated that there will be another meeting on August 12th which they will attend and keep the board informed regarding progress of the Regional Resource Center.

Mr. Glick inquired whether there had been a meeting with the Vocational Housing Committee.

Mr. Ward stated that there had not. However, they did contact Woodland Subdivision and a small lot in that area would cost approximately \$7,200 and it is required that architectural plans be approved before construction takes place. He stated that he will schedule a meeting this week so that the committee can determine whether they want to continue looking for lots in another area or to build on the existing site.

Mrs. Cannava stated that in February she was appointed to serve on a committee for the Alaska Association of Schools Boards to meet with municipal people in an effort to obtain better community relations. She stated that she will be attending a meeting in Anchorage this Thursday and requested board suggestions and ideas to take with her.

Mr. Glick stated that he received a letter stating the resolutions committee of the Alaska State School Board will meet one day in advance of the scheduled annual State School Board Meeting in Kodiak. The committee would like district school boards to mail in their recommendations and resolutions prior to October 23 either to the Alaska Association of School Boards or to the chairman of the resolutions committee, Sue Linford of Anchorage.

At 8:35 p.m., by general consent of the board, the school board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Carl Glick, President

The minutes of August 2, 1976 were approved August 16, 1976.

ADJOURN:

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION BUILDING Soldotna, Alaska 99669



August 16, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

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Mr. Jerry Hobart, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Member
Mr. Edward Rehder, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mr. Frederic Kremer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services
Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services
Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Vo. Ed.

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tom Murphy Mr. Justin Maile

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Fischer Mrs. Barbara Jeweli Mrs. Juanita McCurdy

Mrs. Miller
Mr. Tommy Corr
Mrs. Barbara Banta
Mr. Skip Skinner
Mr. Kris Rogers
Mr. Greg Daniels

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m., by Mr. Glick.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Glick invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava

Mrs. Sharon Brower

Mr. Edward Rehder

Mr. Jerry Hobart

Mr. Frederic Kremer

Mr. Carl Glick

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of August 2, 1976 were approved as written.

APPOINTMENT OF BOARD

MEMBER:

Mrs. Cannava moved to appoint Mrs. Calvin Owens to fill the vacancy, created by the resignation of Ms. Mary Shields, on the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Carl Self 295

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ELECTION OF CLERK:

Mr. Hobart moved to appoint Mrs. Carolyn Cannava as Clerk for the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Mr. Hobart moved to close nominations. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Motions carried unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Gallaher reported that the new administrators employed for the school district have arrived. He stated that school will begin for teachers on August 30 and September I for students. He emphasized that Kenai Central High School will open at the regular time on September I.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward reported that the concrete floor in the Tyonek school will not have to be removed. Contractors will start filling the pool at Kenai Central High School August 17. The classroom and media center sprinkler system is still leaking. Final inspection of Soldotna Elementary was made last week. Equipment will be moved into the new area. Carpet is to be installed at Homer Elementary over the week-end. A round portable was successfully moved from Kenai Central to the Sterling school.

REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTERS:

Dr. Hall presented the Board with copies of the basic recommendation of the task force to the commissioner of Education relating to the operation of the Regional Resource Centers. He stated that there is a need for ratification by the participating school districts no later than September the 14th. He added that participation is voluntary and that each participating school district will not be assessed a student fee for membership. There is no financial obligation to the district in any way. Money that is expended for services will be the amount budgeted for contracted services by the district. The district will receive some free services from the resource center because of state allocated money. Recommendation for membership includes two representatives, one from the Board of Education and one from the Central Office.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if this was in effect last year.

Dr. Hall stated that there were six or seven learning resource centers established just for the handicapped.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if the Regional Resource Center was going to be mainly for Special Education.

Dr. Hall repiled in the negative stating that Special Education would be one segment of the program, and that it will deal with all areas of instructional services.

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COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Mr. Ward reported that the Community College Advisory Committee met on August 12 to welcome Dr. John Wilsey, Director of the Community College to the Kenai Peninsula. He stated that funds given to the Community College by the Board of Education for the electronics program were discussed and that Mr. Wagoner plans to meet with the staff at Kenai Central High tomorrow to discuss the program. There is a possibility that thirty-six units of student housing will be constructed for students attending the Community College.

HAZARDOUS TRANSPORTATION PROPOSAL:

Mr. Kirkpatrick reported that he requested Hazardous Transportation proposals from Burton Carver, Co.; McKinley Bus Lines, Anchorage; and Transportation Services, Inc., Anchorage. He stated that last year contracted Hazardous Transportation bussing was \$71.11 per day per unit, and there were two units operating in Kenai and two in Soldotna. The present proposal from Mr. Carver is \$li9 per day, per unit for an annual cost of \$85,680, an increase of \$34,280 from last year. The mileage rate is \$4.76 per mile as compared to \$2.87 last year. He stated the total amount budgeted for the district is \$69,356. He stated that if this figure of \$119 per day per unit is acceptable to the Board of Education he would request approval from the State Department of Education. However, he added the district is not budgeted for this amount. If the \$119 is not acceptable, the board can reject the proposal and attempt to negotiate a figure which would be acceptable to the Board of Education and the State Department of Education. He stated that perhaps Hazardous Transportation should be eliminated completely in this area or the district attempt to operate one unit in Soldotna and one in Kenai. However, he stated this would involve a critical time element for the schools beginning times.

Mr. Hobart inquired if the budgeted figure included all units for the full 180 days of school.

Mr. Kirkpatrick replied in the affirmative. He stated that prior year's operation of the units (1974-75) did not start until October 15 and they ceased operation about April 15.

Mr. Hobart inquired if it would be possible to delay operating the units until October thereby reducing the cost to the district.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that it may be possible.

Mr. Hobart moved to reject the figures for the Hazardous Transportation and requested the administration to pursue alternate solutions to arrive at another proposal for reducing the number of days and/or dollar amount. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Rehder, Hobart, Kremer, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION

HAZARDOUS TRANSPORTATION PROPOSAL (Continued):

Mr. Carver stated that with increased costs of new busses, increased gasoline prices and salaries, he is forced to pass on the increases to the school district. He further added that it is difficult to hire a bus driver for less than 180 days.

SECONDARY SPECIAL SERVICES CURRICULUM:

Dr. Hall recommended the adoption of the Secondary Special Services Curriculum Guide previously presented to the Board of Education.

ACTION

Mr. Rehder moved to adopt the Secondary Special Services Curriculum. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW COURSE OFFERINGS:

Dr. Hall recommended approval of request for New Course Offerings at Seward High School, Kenai Central High School, and Soldotna Jr. High School.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the new course offerings as recommended by Dr. Hail. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

REGULATIONS, OPERATION & CONTROL OF KCHS VANS: Dr. Gallaher stated that a few months ago the Board of Education approved purchase for three 15-passenger vans with arrangements for financing by Kenai Central High School. He stated that he requested the high school administration to provide him with criteria for use, operation and control of these vans. He further stated that these criteria will be reviewed by the new administration of Kenai Central High School and suggestions from the board are welcomed.

SEPTEMBER 6 BOARD MEETING:

The Board of Education will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on September 6.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended contracts for: Rose Frankl, Special Services, Kenai Elementary; Pam Jonas, Teacher-In-Charge, English Bay; Jacqueline Imle, First Grade, Sears Elementary; Marie Mott, 7th Grade, Language Arts, Physical Education, Social Studies (one year), Seward Elementary; Thomas Anderson, Third Grade, Soldotna Elementary; Lu Anne Neison, Special Education, Niniichik School; effective August 30, 1976.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve contracts for staff appointments as recommended by Dr. Gallaher. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESIGNATIONS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended acceptance of the resignations of Dorothy Sackett, Special Education, Kenai Elementary and Donald Szepanski, Homer Jr./Sr. High School.

**ACTION** 

Mr. Rehder moved to accept the resignations of Dorothy Sackett, Special Education, Kenai Elementary and Donald Szepanski, Homer Jr./Sr. High School. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

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APPOINTMENT OF KCHS VICE-PRINCIPAL: Dr. Gallaher recommended Gregory Daniels as Vice-Principal for Kenai Central High School for the 1976-77 school year. Dr. Gallaher stated that Mr. Daniels has served seven years in the district and three years outside of the state. He stated that he received his Bachelor of Science degree at Eastern Oregon State and his Masters at Oregon State University. Since that time he has received additional graduate credit from the University of Alaska. While Mr. Overman was on 1/2 year Sabbatical Leave Mr. Daniels acted as principal for Seldovia doing an excellent job.

**ACTION** 

Mrs. Cannava moved to appoint Gregory Daniels as Vice-Principal for Kenai Central High School for the 1976-77 school year, effective August 16, 1976. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PURPOSE:

Mrs. Cannava stated while attending a meeting Thursday with municipal people, a representative from the Fairbanks Assembly suggested each district's Borough Assembly and Board of Education have a few meetings each year where both parties would be in attendance, in an effort to obtain better community relations.

MOOSE PASS BUSSING:

Mr. Kirkpatrick reported that in investigating Mr. Lamoreaux he found him to be a satisfactory bus contractor and would recommend his assuming the bus contract of Mrs. Emma Merrit. He contacted Mr. Grieser of the State Department of Education concerning this bus contract transfer, but has heard no word from them to date.

HANDICAPPED:

Mrs. Joyce Fischer stated that she will be a representative for the State of Alaska to serve handicapped children. She stated that any in-put from the Board and Central Office Staff would be welcomed.

KALIFONSKI BUSSING:

Mrs. McCurdy and Mrs. Miller requested the Board of Education to provide a bus from the Kalifonski Road (west of the bridge --particularly in the areas of the V.I.P. Subdivision and the Kenai Subdivision) to Kenai to transport their children to the Kenai schools rather than Soldotna Schools.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he thought it best to wait until such time as the Soldotna schools are at capacity and at that time have a bus crossing the Kenai River for transporting students to Kenai.

Mr. Hobart inquired if that would be a duplication of a route, and if it would therefore require school and borough funding.

Mr. Kirkpatrick replied in the affirmative.

KALIFONSKI BUSSING (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher stated in the past the board has permitted students to attend schools outside the areas served by the established transportation routes. However, it was the parents' responsibility to provide the transportation to the chosen school.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that this particular situation would involve approximately nineteen students. He further added, a high school bus seats forty-four passengers.

Mr. Hobart suggested that during pre-registration, students should make a notation of the area they live on the loop and if they desire to attend the Soldotna schools or the Kenai schools.

Dr. Hall stated that the Kenai schools may be at student capacity now.

Mr. Swarner stated there will not be a valid indication of enrollment figures until October, 1976.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: ACTION

At 8:30 p.m. Mr. Hobart moved that the board go into executive session to discuss matters, the immediate knowledge of which would adversely affect the finances of the borough. Mr. Rehder seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 9:20 p.m. the executive session was adjourned.

RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION:

At 9:22 p.m. Mr. Hobart moved that the board reconvene in regular session. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

At 9:25 p.m. by general consent of the board, the school board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Carl Glick, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of August 16, 1976 were approved on September 6, 1976.



## KENAI PENINSULA SCHOOL BOARD MEETING BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION BUILDING Soldotna, Alaska 99669

September 6, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Carl Glick, President Mr. Jerry Hobart, Treasurer Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk Mr. Edward Rehder, Member Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member Mrs. Frederic Kremer, Member Mrs. Sheila Owens. Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gailaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services
Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services
Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Vo. Ed.

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tom Murphy

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Fischer Mrs. Barbara Banta Mr. Richard Skinner Mr. Stan Friese

Mrs. Bobbie Glendenning Mrs. Catherine Parker Mr. Patrick O'Connell Mr. Burton Carver Mr. Mike Tauriainen

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Mr. Glick.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Glick invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Aliegiance.

President Glick informed the public that Mrs. Sheila Owens had taken the oath of office, as required by law, to be seated as a board member on August 19, 1976.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present
Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Edward Pohdon

Mr. Edward Rehder Absent (Excused)

Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Frederic Kremer Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present
Mr. Carl Glick Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of August 16, 1976, were approved as written.

DR. COLE/STATE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

Dr. Gallaher informed the board that he had received a communication from Dr. Cole, State Department of Education concerning a tele-communications system for educational purposes. Dr. Cole requested

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DR. COLE/STATE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
(Continued):

**ENROLLMENTS:** 

a work session be established with the Board of Education and the Central Office Staff in September or October to discuss this system and to receive in-put and to answer any questions the board or staff might have pertaining to telecommunications. Dr. Gallaher suggested arranging the meeting after the October 5th election.

Dr. Galiaher stated that the enrollments at the schools have not reached the projected enrollment in terms of number of students. The projected enrollment was 5,445 students; the actual enrollment is 5,062, or 383 short of projection. He stated that the school district is over projection at this time at North Kenai by 25 students, Soldotna Elementary School by 16 students, and Russian Village by 16 students. We are at or near projection at Cooper Landing, English Bay, Kenai Junior High School, Soldotna Junior High School, Port Graham, Sterling, and Susan B. English. There are 12 buildings which are below projection; Anchor Point is about 20 below, Tyonek 34, East Homer 30, Homer Jr./Sr. High School 68, Sears Elementary 50, Seward Elementary 35, Kenai Central High 74, Kenai Elementary 16, Moose Pass 8, Ninilchik 9, Seward High 39 and Tustumena 10 below the projection. The indication is that the projections at the secondary level are further off target than they are at the elementary level, particularly in grades 10, 11, and 12. District-wide we are over projections in the first, third and fourth grades, and under projection in kindergarten. Dr. Gallaher stated if the decrease in kindergarten students continues a study should be taken of the building programs. In all probability, staffing at Soldotna Elementary will need to be increased by two teachers. When doing this, it will not only fill the school including the new addition but also the two portables. He added that the building capacity a year from now will probably not be sufficient to contain K-6 which it is now serving. Consequently, Dr. Galiaher stated that he has written a letter to the Mayor stating that there are 578 students enrolled in the Soldotna Elementary building and additional staffing is necessary and that any bond issue submitted to the electorate this year should include sufficient money for another Soldotna elementary school.

Mr. Ward read Ordinance 76-54 which is to be introduced at the Borough Assembly Meeting, September 7 which states that an ordinance authorizing indebtedness by the issuance of general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$20,645,000 for the purpose of constructing and equipping: Anchor Point, 2 classroom addition; Sterling, 3 classroom addition; Homer High School, 9 classroom addition; Tustumena School, 3 classroom addition; and Soldotna High School.

TYONEK HOUSING:

Dr. Gailaher stated that the principal of Tyonek was forced to live in the multi-purpose room of the school building for a period of three weeks and two teacher's families were forced to live together in one house due to a shortage of housing facilities in Tyonek. Housing arrangements had been made previously. However, before the beginning of school there was a political change in the village and it was discovered upon the principal and teachers arrival that there were insufficient housing facilities available for them. Descapilities are all that in April 1975, the Board of Education passed a resolution requesting the Borough Assembly

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TYONEK HOUSING (Continued):

to purchase three trailer houses and prepare three trailer pads in Tyonek for rental to the teaching staff. He stated that the attorney had met with the village council in Tyonek and had obtained permission to locate trailers in the village. As a result, a letter was written to Mayor Gilman on August 27, 1976 requesting that two trailer units be purchased and placed in Tyonek as soon as possible. He recommended that the board reaffirm the action taken on April 7, 1975.

RUSSIAN VILLAGE:

Dr. Gallaher stated that the situation in Russian Village is not good. The building is not ready, the five different units at the site are all without water and restrooms, and at this point, the teachers are discouraged.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward reported that carpet has been installed in the remodeled classroom and halls at Moose Pass. Test holes have been made at Anchor Point, Sterling and the Soldotna High School sites. The portable has been set up at Sterling and two portables have been installed at Tustumena. Port-a-potties and portable water are being used at Russian Village. Beneficial occupancy has been received for the remodeled section af Homer. The pool at Kenai Central has been filled with water. The floor in the multi-purpose room at Port Graham is to be repaired this week. Part of the cement floor at Tyonek had to be removed and replaced.

CAREER EDUCATION DISTRICT STUDY:

Mr. Ward reported that an opinionnaire was sent randomly to the schools and communities on the peninsula including Seward, Homer, Kenai and the Soidotna area concerning practices which affect the utilization of community resources. He stated that Mr. Carl Poole, from Community Resources for Career Education Development was in the Central Office last week to discuss the report and it will be compiled and mailed out to board members and principals this week.

K.P.E.A .:

Mr. Tom Murphy, representative of K.P.E.A., stated that the Kenai Peninsula Education Association has approved the Extra-Curricular Salary Package.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hail recommended seven students for the Alternate Study Program.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if there is a cut-off age for students
being placed on correspondence.

Dr. Hall stated that this district normally doesn't consider kinder-

garten students. However, according to State Statutes, parents may go directly to the State Department of Education for their children to be placed on Correspondence Study if they are not approved by the local school board. He added that in this particular case, the parents having had success with one student on correspondence would like to place this youngster on correspondence.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to approve the students for the Aiternate Study Program as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimousiy.

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JOB DESCRIPTION
ELEMENTARY GUIDANCE
CONSULTANT:

Dr. Hall stated that the Board of Education did provide a new budget category, Elementary Guidance Consultant, which for the past three years has been funded under Title III. Some of the basic functions of the Elementary Guidance Consultant will be: He/she shall provide consultation and in-service training, helping elementary teachers take full advantage of their guidance potential. He/she shall assist principals and teachers in developing and maintaining conditions which are conducive to the greatest educational growth of each student and assist teachers in the development of effective means of interpreting test results to students and parents. He stated that Mrs. Bettina Whitney has concurred with the job description and he would recommend board concurrence on the Rules and Regulations of the job description for an Elementary Guidance Consultant.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the job description as outlined for the Elementary Guidance Consultant. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR IN-SERVICE DAY, OCTOBER 15:

Dr. Hall recommended approval for a full-day, In-Service Day on October 15, as requested by the teachers association.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to approve October 15, 1976, as a full-day, In-Service Day and recommended same to the Commissioner of Education. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

COURSE APPROVALS KCHS:

Dr. Hall stated that during the summer 30-40 courses listed in the course description book of Kenai Central were not approved. He added that many of the course changes entailed either a title change or an internal change in description. He recommended approval of the new course offerings for Kenai Central High School.

**ACTION** 

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the new course offerings for Kenai Central High School as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mr. Kremer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

SOUTHCENTRAL REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTER ACTION: Mrs. Cannava moved to approve affiliation with the SouthCentral Regional Resource Center as outlined in the document. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

REVISION OF MILEAGE RATE FOR REGULAR TRANSPORTATION: Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that while in Juneau discussing the Special Services Transportation, Mr. Grieser, Mr. Carver and he discussed an increase mileage rate for Mr. Carver for all areas of the district for which he is contracted for the 1976-77 year. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated the negotiating session was between Mr. Carver and Mr. Grieser of the State Department. Mr. Carver presented Mr. Grieser with several documents of justification to

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REVISION OF MILEAGE RATE FOR REGULAR TRANSPORTATION (Continued): show that the current rate is not longer equitable. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated the outcome of the session was that, upon the Board of Education's recommendation, Mr. Carver would be granted an increase to \$1.70 per mile for regular transportation in all areas of the district for which he is contracted. Mr. Kirkpatrick recommended that the board approve the increase to \$1.70 per mile subject to 100% reimbursement from the State.

Mr. Hobart inquired what the rate is Borough-wide at this time?

Mr. Kirkpatrick informed him that it was at \$1.19.

Mr. Hobart stated if the Board has the responsibility of negotiating contracts with Mr. Carver, then why did the state do it.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the contract with Mr. Carver has been negotiated and upon board approval the state is willing to provide the \$1.70 per mile.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the rate increase in mileage for regular transportation to \$1.70 providing there is state reimbursement for this increase. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: Mrs. Owens asked to be omitted from the voting as she is an employee of Mr. Carver.

YES: Brower, Cannava

NO: Hobart, Kremer, Glick

Mr. Hobart recommended discussing the increase in Executive Session

Motion failed.

HAZARDOUS TRANSPORTATION:

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that at the August 16 meeting the board rejected the proposal by Burton Carver for Hazardous Transportation at \$i19 per day per unit, (4 units) for 180 days; therefore, the administration was requested to pursue other alternatives. Mr. Kirkpatrick requested that Transportation Service, Inc. supply the district with a lease figure for four busses and/or the purchase of these four busses. On August 26, Mr. Kirkpatrick viewed four 1970 GMC 66-passenger busses which were for sale at \$7500 per bus. Upon his arrival to Kenai. Mr. Carver, Dr. Gallaher and he discusse proposals and counter proposals. It was determined that one hazardous bus in Kenai would be eliminated and Mr. Carver would operate three hazardous busses at \$90 per day per unit or \$48,600 for the year, a net savings over the 1975-76 operation of \$2,599.20 Mr. Kirkpatrick recommended the board approve a one year Hazardous Bus contract for Mr. Carver for three units, two in Soldotna, one in Kenai at \$90 per day per bus, and operating 180 days beginning September i, 1976 through May 27, 1977.

**ACTION** 

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HAZARDOUS TRANSPORTATION (Continued):
ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to approve a one year contract with Burton Carver for the Hazardous Transportation Service with three busses operating, one in Kenai, two in Soldotna at \$90 per day per unit for 180 days. Mr. Kremer seconded.

VOTE: YES: Cannava, Kremer, Brower, Hobart, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Carver stated that he would not be able to operate these units at that price without the approval of the mileage increase for regular routes.

KALIFONSKY BUS TO KENAI JR. HIGH AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS: Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that there is one student of nine attending Soldotna Elementary from the Kalifonsky area indicating a desire to attend Kenai. Sears Elementary has six students enrolled and Kenai Elementary has two enrolled from the V.I.P. and Kenai Subdivision areas. Kenai Junior High has 10 enrolled from that area. However, they are probably being transported via the high school bus. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated the most feasible routing would be to operate a second run, going to KCHS first and then making another run to Kenai Elementary and Sears Elementary; however, this would be an additional cost of \$7,000 to \$8,000. Mr. Kirkpatrick did not recommend the second run.

PAY SCALE FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS:

Mr. Swarner recommended the pay scale for substitute teachers be increased from \$37 and \$47 to \$40 and \$50 based upon the Consumer Index Prices for the year ending July, 1976. He recommended substitute rates for secretaries be established at \$5.00 per hour and custodians at \$6.07 per hour and substitute pay for lunch workers as follows: Cashier \$4.04, Assistant Cook \$4.04, Cook \$4.20, and Truck Driver \$6.80 per hour.

Mrs. Cannava stated that the truck driver would be receiving more than the substitute teacher.

Mr. Hobart inquired what the per diem rate is for teachers now based upon \$13,936.

Mr. Swarner informed him that it is approximately \$74.

Mr. Hobart inquired what the substitute teachers in Anchorage receive.

Mr. Swarner stated he thought it was \$43 and \$53 per day.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to approve the pay scale for substitute teachers at \$50 and \$60, and all other substitute pay as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES: Cannava, Brower, Kremer, Owens, Hobart

NO: Glick

Motion passed.

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HOURLY PAY RATE FOR SWIM PROGRAM EMPLOYEES:

Mr. Swarner recommended the following salary schedule be established for pool employees: Instructor \$6.31 per hour, Assistant Instructor \$5.61 per hour, Life Guard \$5.00 per hour, Locker Room Attendant \$4.04, and Cashier \$4.04.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the hourly pay schedule for swim program employees as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES: Brower, Hobart, Cannava, Kremer, Owens, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

RECESS:

At 8:58 p.m., by general consent of the board, a short recess was called.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 9:11 p.m., the board reconvened in regular session.

APPROPRIATION EXTRA-CURRICULAR TRAVEL FUNDS: Mr. Swarner stated that travel funds allocated last year were of sufficient amount that most of the schools did not have the funding problems that were prevaient the year before. in fact, several schools did not use all of the money allocated to them. This year the district has provided a considerable amount of money for the purchase of uniforms and equipment outside of the activity funds. He recommended approval by the board for \$105,745 be allocated for Extra-Curricular Travel Funds. Mr. Swarner stated that this amount compares to a budget of \$102,833 for last year. However, each school's allocation has been increased about 12% except Kenai Central High. The allocation at Kenai Central has been reduced due to the expected cost savings the district will realize by the purchase of the three vans. He added none of the money allocated this year to Kenai Central for Extra-Curricular Travel Funds was used in the purchase of these vans, but will be used for the operation of them.

Mr. Glick inquired as to how much Kenai Central's funding was reduced.

Mr. Swarner stated approximately \$10,000 to \$12,000.

Mrs. Cannava inquired, if due to the change in administration at Soldotna Junior High, would more travel funds be needed.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the extra-curricular travel funds are based on the activities the schools submitted and have been approved by the board.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to approve the Appropriation of Extra-Curricular Activity Funds for the 1976-77 school year in the amount of \$105,745 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES: Hobart, Kremer, Owens, Brower, Glick

NO: Cannava

Motion Passed.

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STUDENT ACTIVITY ACCOUNTING:

**ACTION** 

COMPETITIVE SPORTS ACTIVITIES IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS: Mr. Swarner stated that the Central Office is in the process of converting activity fund accounting to data processing, which requires a change of the rules and regulations. He stated that in the past each individual school did the bookkeeping. However, it created problems in past years concerning the audits of the activity funds. He added the new system will solve most of the audit problems. The activity funds will become a part of the normal accounting procedures of the Central Office and will be in a format so that auditors may render an opinion on them. The new system requires that all schools deposit their receipts in a centralized account. Accounts have been set up at Seward, Homer, Kenai and Soldotna. The Central Office will process payments for the activity funds. Since it is anticipated that many payments will need to be made at the iocal level immediately each school will have a petty cash fund. The management of activity funds is still the responsibility of each building administrator. However. the responsibility for the proper accounting of the funds is with the central Office.

Mr. Hobart moved to approve the change in the Rules and Regulations on Activity Fund Accounting as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher stated a committee was appointed, composed of Mr. Stan Friese, Chairman, Mrs. Virginia Maesner, Mr. Dillon Kimple, Mr. Al Besch and Mr. John Jones to recommend a policy on Competitive Sports in the Elementary Schools. The report was submitted and has been translated into a policy statement and administrative Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Friese stated that the objective of the committee was to provide an interschool activity program so that many students in the elementary grades would have the opportunity to participate in a wide variety of recreation oriented activites, rather than just a few. He stated there would be no competitive interschool activities for children in grades K-3. The 4-6 program will involve a large number of students and is not designed as a varsity type of competition. The students will learn that winning and losing are equally important. It will teach the students the skills of the games and social values. However, this will not discourage a wide range of interschool activities to be conducted for all school age children representing two or more schools. These will be defined as play days, field days, sports or activity days where all the students will be involved in some type of activity. Each school will be responsible for the type of activity program it develops. Mr. Friese recommended each child should have a physical examination before participating in the athletic activities. He added that teachers and administrators are encouraged to assume a creative approach to planning and conducting the programs in a way to meet the needs of the borough children.

COMPETITIVE SPORTS ACTIVITIES IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (Continued):

Mr. Tom Murphy inquired if the upper elementary grades may continue to have interscholastic competition.

Mr. Friese replied that we are encouraging other kinds of athletics and more than one activity at a time.

Mr. Murphy stated that it is the consensus of the teachers that they would like to see the interscholastic competition eliminated and replaced with intramural sports which are more conducive to broad participation.

Dr. Gallaher expressed his gratitude to the committee for the excellent report.

TYONEK HOUSING FOR TEACHERS: ACTION Mr. Hobart moved to reaffirm the boards action on April 7, 1975, pertaining to the purchase of trailer homes for the village of Tyonek for teacher housing. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESIGNATIONS:

Dr. Gailaher recommeded accepting the resignations of L. Roscoe Livingston, Seward Elementary, Angela Livingston, Seward Elementary, Anne Florey, East Homer Elementary and John Rogers, Bob Bartlett.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the resignations as recommeded by Dr. Gallaher. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended contracts for Deborah C. Chace, Grade 3, East Homer Elementary; Garry Horrell, grade 8, Language Arts, Physical Education, Social Studies, Seward Elementary; Sara Jackinsky, Physical Education, Seward Elementary; Elaine Larson, 3/5 time, Music, Tustumena, Kenai Elementary; Harold Neace, Secondary Science, Susan B. English; James Bailentine, Counseior, Homer Jr/Sr High; Deborah Poore, grade 2, East Homer Elementary; Pat See, 1/2 time, grades 2, 3, & 6, 7, 8 as assigned, Seward Elementary; Mike Sharp, 1/2 time elementary, Susan B. English; and Ruth Mai from half-time to full-time, Seward Elementary as assigned effective August 30, 1976.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the staff appointments as outlined by Dr. Gallaher. Mr. Kremer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

FUEL BID ALTERATION:

Mr. Swarner stated that Standard Oil Company made an error in fuel bidding and was awarded the fuel contract for Cooper Landing. However, Standard Oil would like to be relieved from this contract. Mr. Swarner recommended releasing Standard Oil from the fuel bid contract for Cooper Landing and awarding the bid to Star Products for 43¢ per gallon.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the fuel bid of Star Products at 43¢ per gallon for Cooper Landing School, and to release Standard Oil

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FUEL BID ALTERATION ACTION (Continued):

from its fuel bid. Mr. Hobart seconded.

VOTE: YES: Kremer, Owens, Brower, Cannava, Hobart, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PURPOSE:

RESOLUTION:

Dr. Gallaher recommended the board pass a resolution supporting his letter to Mayor Gilman, that any bond issue for school construction placed before the electorate this school year, include sufficient money for a second elementary school to serve the Greater Soldotna Area.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to concur with Dr. Gallaher's recommendation, that any bond issue for school construction placed before the electorate this school year, include sufficient money for a second elementary school to serve the Greater Soldotna Area. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hobart inquired if there was a firm figure set for the cost of the Soldotna High School?

Mr. Ward stated that he didn't believe there were firm figures for any of the construction projects, and that there probably will not be any until the architects complete design development sometime in November.

Mr. Hobart inquired why so many of the projects such as the trailers in Tyonek, portables not yet in operation at the schools, carpet installation, etc., that have been requested from the Borough Administration are always so late? What needs to be done to expedite them?

Dr. Gallaher stated that the problem is that the people who are really concerned with these projects being done before school starts are too far removed from the people doing the work. The school district has no authority whatsoever. He added that there is good communication between the borough and school district and that there is an attempt being made to make the operation much more effective and to expedite it another year. Mr. Ward stated that there are a few other items that were funded from last years money that the Central Office is concerned about. One, the water in Anchor Point school still hasn't been completed, and the other is the exhaust systems in the shops, especially at Kenai Central. He stated if something isn't done in the near future we may have to close the shop facility.

GENERAL PURPOSE (Continued):

Dr. Hall presented the board members with the revised elementary Curriculum Guide K-6. He stated that it is the second and last year for revision of the Curriculum Guide before the pre and post tests are developed and these tests will evolve into district standardized tests. He stated that the committee is progressing with the elementary curriculum and indicated concentration this year will be in the secondary program. He requested the board review the memo relating to the research and literature on secondary schools and in particular, the four recommendations, which after discussing them with the Instructional Advisory Council he will be making recommendations to the board.

MOOSE PASS BUSSING:

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve a one year school bus contract for Donald Lamoreaux, Moose Pass at \$1.10 per mile. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS WORKSHOP:

The board concurred with October 14, 15, 19 or 20, as the workshop date on telecommunications between the School Board, Central Office and Department of Education.

KCHS OPEN HOUSE:

Dr. Gallaher stated that Mr. Deutschlander, Principal, Kenai Central High School has requested approval for an open house at Kenai Central High School, so that people may meet the staff and view the new facilities.

ACTION

The board, by general consent approved Mr. Deutschlander's request to hold an open house at Kenai Central High School.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Patrick O'Connell inquired if the second elementary school for the Greater Soldotna Area is priority #i as opposed to those buildings currently being considered? Dr. Gallaher replied in the affirmative stating the Soldotna Elementary School with its new addition is presently at capacity.

Mr. O'Connel inquired if changing the bussing In the V.I.P. Subdivisions and the Kenal Subdivision and transporting those students to Kenai would make a significant change. Dr. Gallaher stated that most of the growth has been inside the city limits of Soldotna.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 10:30 p.m., Mr. Hobart moved that the board go into executive session to discuss matters which by law, municipal charter, or ordinance are required to be confidential. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 10:50 p.m., the executive session was adjourned.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION:

At 10:55 p.m., Mrs. Cannava moved the board reconvene into regular session. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimousiy.

REVISION OF MILEAGE RATE FOR REGULAR TRANSPORTATION: Mr. Hobart moved to approve the increase in mileage rate negotiated by Mr. Carver and Mr. Grieser for Burton Carver and Company, Inc. to \$1.70 per mile, provided the State Department of Education funds it 100%. Mr. Kremer seconded.

VOTE: YES: Brower, Cannava, Hobart, Kremer, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

At II:00 p.m., by general consent of the board the school board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Carl Glick, President

Mrs. Carolyn Canyava, Clerk



## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION BUILDING Soldotna, Alaska 99669

September 20, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Carl Glick, President Mr. Jerry Hobart, Treasurer Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk Mr. Edward Rehder, Member Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member Mr. Frederic Kremer, Member Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tommy Corr

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Fischer

Mr. Gerry Tullos Mrs. Louise Alford Mrs. Shirley Crateau Mrs. Bobbie Glendenning Mrs. Catherine Parker Mr. Patrick O'Connell

Mr. Stan Friese Mr. Justin Maile Mr. Richard Skinner Mrs. Shirley Denison

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mr. Rob Salo Mr. Tom Murphy Mrs. Sandra Morris

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mr. Glick.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Glick invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present (7:15 p.m.) Present Mrs. Sharon Brower Absent Mr. Edward Rehder Present Mrs. Sheila Owens Present Mr. Frederic Kremer Mr. Jerry Hobart Present Present Mr. Carl Glick

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of September 6, 1976 were approved as

written.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A. W. JOHNSON ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Dr. Gallaher read a communication from A. W. Johnson, Athletic Director of the Homer Schools. Mr. Johnson questioned the logic which allows, in his opinion, the school district to pay equal salaries to head coaches of the same sport in each high school regardless of size and then to set up a salary schedule for junior high programs that are highly discriminating based on school size.

**ENROLLMENT:** 

Dr. Gallaher reported that the enrollment as of today is within approximately 1% of the projected total FTE enrollment. The enrollment projection was 5,224 FTE at the end of the first nine weeks of school. The actual number of students to date is 5,372 as compared to the projection of 5,446. The enrollment is therefore 58.5 FTE short of projection, or 76 students.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS MEETING:

There will be a telecommunications meeting with the State Department of Education personnel, the Board of Education, and Central Office staff on October 14, 1976, at 7:00 p.m. in the Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY PLAYGROUND:

Dr. Gallaher reported that Mr. Scott, owner of the driveway used by the food service truck to serve the Soldotna Elementary cafeteria, denied the school district use of his property as an access route to the cafeteria. Due to this, the food service truck was forced to cross the playground at Soldotna Elementary, placing the students in a hazardous situation. A grievance was filed by Soldotna Elementary teachers, and as a result, Dr. Gallaher and Mr. Ward met with Mr. Scott and obtained verbal approval to use his property as an access route to the Soldotna Elementary School cafeteria until a long term permanent plan can be negotiated.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward reported that the portable has been set up at Anchor Point. However, it is presently without electricity. The lavatory unit at Kenai Central High School is being moved to the athletic field. The contractors of Russian Village School are aiming for a completion date for that project by September 29 or 30. Inspection of the gym at Kenai Central was held Friday. The architect will be reviewing the plans with the school and borough administration on September 20 and 21 for the additions to Sterling, Tustumena, and Anchor Point.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Swarner presented the board with the financial reports for the months ending July 31, 1976 and August 30, 1976.

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTER:

Mr. Glick reported that on September 14, a South Central Regional Resource Center meeting was held in Anchorage at 1:00 p.m. He stated that out of eleven districts involved in our region, ten have agreed to join the resource center. A board was elected with Mr. Glick as chairman, Jean Morse as Clerk, Mr. Robinson as Treasurer, and John Stamm as Director. The board reviewed the budget based upon State Department of Education allocations.

TUSTUMENA ADVISORY SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Committee, presented a proposal to have bus #49 make one complete loop around Kalifonsky Beach Road and the Sterling Highway, instead of doubling back as it is presently doing. The new route would begin at I & D Garage in Kasilof, go north to Echo Lake Road, and on to the intersection of Gas Well Road and Kalifonsky Beach Road; then continue south on Kalifonsky to complete the loop and return to the Tustumena School. She stated the proposed route is approximately one mile less than the present one. She suggested Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Carver, a board member, and two other people discuss the situation and arrive at an equitable solution.

Mrs. Glendenning, Chairman of the Tustumena Advisory School

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall stated that there are seven children requesting placement on the Alternate Study Program. He stated that he would recommend all of them except the five year old. Dr. Hall talked with the parents of all of the children. He informed the mother of the five year old that the board policy is not to place children on the Alternate Study Program at the kindergarten level; however, she may go directly to the State Department of Education for placement.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to accept Dr. Hall's recommendation in placing the children on the Alternate Study Program. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Mrs. Cannava stated that after reviewing the philosophy of education, she could not see placing the first two groups on Correspondence Study.

Dr. Gallaher stated that if this board does not approve the students, they may go directly to the State Department of Education for placement on the Alternate Study Program. He added that we have staff members employed to handle the correspondence of the alternate study program.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Hobart

NO - Cannava, Kremer, Owens, Glick

Motion failed.

Mrs. Cannava moved to disapprove the first five children and approve the last two students to the Alternate Study Program. There was no second.

Motion died.

Mrs. Cannava stated that the last two students have had some experience with a regular school program. However, the first five have not had any public school program at all.

Dr. Gallaher stated that in many instances children should be in school. However, if we do not provide the correspondence locally they may go directly to the state and receive it.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM (Continued):

Mrs. Cannava stated that she respects the feelings of the parents. However, it is frustrating to know that if not approved by this board, they may go to the State for placement on the program.

Mr. Hobart stated the reason the board votes on these students is because they are excused from public school in our district. However, they are still counted in the student body.

Dr. Hall stated that we do have people checking on these students, and if they are not progressing as they should, they are taken off the program and return to the schools.

Mr. Hobart moved to accept the recommendation of Dr. Hall and place all but the five year old on the Alternate Study Program. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Kremer, Brower, Hobart, Glick

NO - Cannava, Owens

Motion passed.

COUNSELORS AND
ADMINISTRATORS WORKSHOP:

Dr. Hall requested direction from the board to implement a workshop on Career Counseling. He added that it will be a three or four day in-depth in-service training for counselors and administrators.

ACTION

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve a Counselors and Administrators workshop. Mr. Kremer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET TRANSFERS:

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfers #76-1 thru #76-4 and #76-6 thru #76-13.

#76-1, Seward High School from Account #01-008-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-008-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies \$1,500.00; from Account #01-008-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-008-100-000-470, Instructional Media \$2,000.00; and from Account #01-008-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-008-808-000-470, Instructional Media \$500.00.

#76-2, Kenai Junior High from Account #01-011-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-011-100-000-470, Instructional Media \$2,000.00.

#76-3, Sears Elementary from Account #01-041-200-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-041-200-000-470, Instructional Media \$800.00.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued)

#76-4, Community Schools Program from Account #01-099-700-000-469, Other Supplies, to Account #01-099-700-000-441, Repair and Maintenance Service \$100.00

#76-6, Special Services from Account #01-099-200-000-530, Other Expenses, to Account #01-099-200-000-510, Equipment-New, \$2,500.

#76-7, Special Services from Account #01-099-200-000-400, Profess-Tech Service, to Account #01-099-200-000-470, Instructional Media, \$6,000.00.

#76-8, Seward Elementary School from Account #01-042-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-042-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$300.00.

#76-9, Seward Elementary from Account #01-042-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-042-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$600.00.

#76-10, Correspondence from Account #01-099-180-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-099-180-000-330, Classified Salaries, \$1,800.00; and from Account #01-099-180-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-099-180-000-510, Equipment-New, \$1,000.00.

#76-11, North Kenai Elementary from Account #01-039-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-039-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$900.00; and from Account #01-039-515-000-449, Other Purchased Services, to Account #01-039-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$100.00.

#76-12, Bob Bartlett School from Account #01-001-420-000-470, Library Services-Instructional Media, to Account #01-001-100-000-470, Regular Instruction-Instructional Media, \$400.00.

#76-13, North Kenai Elementary from Account #01-039-100-000-451, Small Tools-Equipment, to Account #01-039-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$200.00.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-1, #76-2, #76-3, #76-4, #76-6, #76-7, #76-8, #76-9, #76-10, #76-11, #76-12, #76-13 as outlined by Mr. Swarner. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Swarner recommended the following substitute pay for the respective job classifications: Aides - \$5.00 per hour, Tutors - \$5.00 per hour, Community School Directors - \$5.00 per hour, Bus Drivers - \$6.80 per hour, and Home Counselors - \$50.00 per day.

ACTION

SUBSTITUTE WAGES:

SUBSTITUTE WAGES (Continued):
ACTION

COMPETITIVE SPORTS IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS: Mr. Hobart moved to approve the substitue waes as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Hobart, Kremer, Owens, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher recommended the board approve the policy on Competitive Sports in the Elementary Schools.

Mr. Tommy Corr stated that there are a number of schools that do not go along with the Competitive Sports in the Elementary Schools Policy. He stated that they want students to receive awards, and he feels that children learn loyalty to their school by winning. He added that perhaps competitive sports should be used as a lever for good grades.

Mr. Glick stated that the desire of the committee was to increase the number of students involved in activities, and not to have competitive activities in grades K-3. He added that the consensus of the teachers was that they would like to see this implemented.

Mrs. Owens inquired if there was any community in-put in this policy.

Dr. Gallaher stated that principals were involved in its development, and there were two or three meetings and one work session to discuss this topic.

Mrs. Owens inquired if this policy had been publicized.

Dr. Gallaher replied in the affirmative, adding as much as any other curriculum that goes to the board.

Dr. Hall stated that the board had no policy concerning elementary sports. Therefore, this policy was developed. He added that he would recommend the board implement the policy, and if we find it does not work, changes can be made at a later date.

Mrs. Owens stated perhaps the policy should be redesigned so that the schools can have their tournaments.

Mr. Hobart stated that he does not read where tournaments of any type or competition is eliminated.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the Competitive Sports in the Elementary Schools Policy as recommended. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Hobart, Cannava, Kremer, Owens, Brower, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Owens stated that the board is here to represent the parents as well as the administration, and there should be more parent in-put on the rules and regulations.

ACTION

COMPETITIVE SPORTS
IN THE ELEMENTARY
SCHOOLS (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher stated, that the foremost concern should be the children, and he does not believe the children's best interest is served in a highly physical competitive situation.

Mrs. Owens recommended that in the Rules and Regulations pertaining to no district or borough championships, it should include K-4 rather than K-3.

Dr. Hall recommended the board approve the Rules and Regulations, and after a period of one year, evaluate the program and make any necessary changes.

Mr. Fischer requested that the board consider postponing action on the Rules and Regulations, so that parents would have a chance to give some in-put.

Mr. Hobart moved to table the Rules and Regulations for Competitive Sports in the Elementary Schools until the next regularly scheduled board meeting. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hall recommended approval of the rental fees for the North Kenai Pool as follows: 1 to 15 students - \$15.00; 16 to 30 students - \$21.00; 31 to 45 students - \$27.00; 46 to 60 students - \$41.00 (exclusive use); and 61 to 75 students - \$47.00 (exclusive use).

Mr. Hobart moved to accept the fee schedule as submitted for the use of the North Kenai Swimming Pool. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hall stated that Claudia Kimbrell has been hired as the new pool director for Kenai Central High School. The pool should be operational during the first few weeks of October. The 5th and 6th graders at Kenai, Soldotna, Tustumena and Sterling will be given ten lessons (one a week) during the second, third and fourth periods at Kenai Central. The first, fifth and sixth periods are reserved for Kenai Central students.

The fourth graders at Kenai, Soldotna, Tustumena and Sterling will be scheduled for swim lessons during the second semester at Kenai Central.

The fourth, fifth and sixth grade students at North Kenai will receive ten weeks of swimming instruction at the North Kenai Pool.

The fourth, fifth and sixth grade students at Ninilchik and Anchor Point, and the fourth and fifth grade students at East Homer will receive ten weeks of swimming instruction at the Homer High School Pool. Dr. Hall stated that due to time constraints imposed on junior high physical education classes, it is impossible and impractical to schedule Soldotna Junior High and Kenai Junior High students in any classes to receive swim instruction.

ACTION

NORTH KENAI POOL RATES:

ACTION

NORTH KENAI POOL RATES (Continued):

Mr. Hobart inquired if this will change so that the junior highs may participate in the swim program.

Dr. Hall replied in the affirmative.

Mrs. Cannava suggested the students be pre-tested before the instruction begins.

ACTION

Mrs. Owens moved to accept the proposed swim schedule for the pools as outlined. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended contracts for Linda Branham, grade 2, Soldotna Elementary; Paula McFarland, ½ time, grade 3, East Homer Elementary; and Becky Smith, 1-2 Combination, North Kenai Elementary, effective September 13, 1976.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve contracts for the staff appointments as outlined by Dr. Gallaher. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TEACHERS:

Mr. Gerry Tullos, President of the American Federation of Teachers for the Kenai Peninsula, introduced Mrs. Louise Alford, National Representative for the American Federation of Teachers. Mrs. Alford stated that the Kenai Peninsula Federation of Teachers would like to be placed on the agenda of the next regularly scheduled meeting, to make a formal request to achieve negotiating rights for the Kenai Peninsula.

TUSTUMENA TRANSPORTATION:

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that presently the State of Alaska supplies 100% of the cost for the existing routes as currently operated. He added that at least three busses operating within the Soldotna Elementary zone are servicing the area from Midville, ARC Loop, Echo Lake Road, Gas Well Road, and Upper Kalifonsky Beach Road. He further stated that the State of Alaska deals with zones and funding is provided on that basis. He stated that if the bus route was changed as requested by the Tustumena Advisory Committee and the Tustumena parents, it would in effect expand the Tustumena zone and would create considerable duplication in mileage and therefore, would not be funded 100% by the State. He recommended leaving the bus route as is.

GENERAL PURPOSE:

HOME COUNSELOR:

Mrs. Brower recommended that additional home counselor services be provided at Kenai Elementary, Sears, and North Kenai schools, due to increased enrollments.

Dr. Hall stated that the nursing supervisor released a nurse from Kenai Junior High and Kenai Central for one day, to reduce the load that the home counselor was carrying in the three schools. He stated the nurses are carrying a heavy load, however, every effort is being made to increase the nursing services. He added, this is an area that needs further consideration.

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR:

Mrs. Cannava stated that, as per Mr. Johnson's letter, he feels his school is being discriminated against because it is a small facility and that the board is being unfair. She added that in speaking for the board's negotiating and mediation team, there was no way the board could be fair to everyone, but they did their best, as did K.P.E.A. She stated that Mr. Johnson was on the K.P.E.A. negotiating team, and she was surprised that he was not in accordance with the position that was finally put forth by K.P.E.A. and the board.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

ADJOURN:

Mr. Corr stated he thought it was odd that the schools could not have extra-curricular activities that were not board funded last year. He stated two years ago there was a 9th grade basketball, wrestling and ping pong tournaments in the junior high schools; but this year some of the children in Soldotna are forced to go to Kenai to participate in these sports, as the Soldotna schools are not going to have them.

Mr. Hobart stated that board funding was established by the requests received this year from the principals.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the majority of the requests are made depending on the availability of staff to participate or coach the activities. He added that the board does not fund tournaments as such.

Mr. Hobart added that wrestling, basketball and ping pong were on the approved extra-curricular activities list and the individual school makes the decision as to the activities to be implemented.

At 9:25 p.m., by general consent of the board, the school board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Carl Glick. President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of September 10, 1976 were approved as corrected on October 4, 1976.

#### KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING BOROUGH ADMINISTRATION BUILDING Soldotna, Alaska 99669



October 4, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Carl Glick, President Mr. Jerry Hobart, Treasurer Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk Mr. Edward Rehder, Member Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member Mr. Frederic Kremer, Member Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tommy Corr

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Fischer

Mr. Gerry Tullos

Mrs. Bobbie Glendenning Mrs. Judith Dragseth

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mr. Rob Salo
Mr. Tom Murphy
Mrs. Sandra Morris
Mr. Stan Friese
Mr. Justin Maile
Mr. Patrick O'Connell
Mrs. Catherine Parker
Mrs. Barbara Banta

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Mr. Glick.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Glick invited those present to participate in the Pledge

of Allegiance.

Mr. John Jones

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava

Mrs. Sharon Brower

Mr. Edward Rehder

Mrs. Sheila Owens

Mrs. Sheila Owens

Mr. Frederic Kremer

Mr. Jerry Hobart

Mr. Carl Glick

Present

Present

Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of September 20, 1976 were approved with the following correction:

Page 2, South Central Regional Resource Center: Jean Marsh as Clerk rather than Jean Morse.

KENAI PENINSULA
FEDERATION OF TEACHERS:

Mr. Gerry Tullos requested that the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education hold an election by secret ballot to determine a bargaining agent for the certificated employees of the district. He presented the board with a letter and cards signed by a reported 25% or more of the certificated employees in the school district. Dr. Gallaher stated that he will pursue the matter with the advice of the board's attorney.

ENGLISH BAY & PORT GRAHAM PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Dr. Gallaher reported that the Public Hearings for English Bay and Port Graham will be held on Friday, October 8. The English Bay hearing will be held at 1:30 p.m. and the Port Graham hearing will be held at 9:30 a.m. He added that following the meeting, or before November 2, the Advisory Committee of these villages will make a determination whether to request a partial secondary program, a full secondary program or no secondary program in each village. He added that Mr. Jeffers, State Department of Education, Dr. Hall and himself will be attending the meetings.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS MEETING:

Dr. Gallaher stated that there will be a Telecommunications meeting with the State Department of Education, the Board of Education, and Central Office on October 14, at 7:00 p.m., Superintendent's Office, Soldotna. He extended an invitation to board members elect to attend the meeting.

KENAI CENTRAL OPEN HOUSE:

Dr. Gallaher stated that there will be an open house at Kenai Central High School October 5, at 7:00 p.m. He added that the new facilities are open to parents and the community interested in touring them.

BUILDING USE:

Dr. Gallaher stated that a short time ago the Board of Education approved guidelines regarding use of school buildings and rental space. He stated that since that time there have been some inequities found in these guidelines. He added that he feels they should be reviewed, changed and presented to the board for approval.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward reported that inspection of the Russian Village School will be held Thursday at 9:30 a.m. The Kenai Central High School pool will open October 5. He stated that the fire marshal made an inspection Monday the 27th and presented a list of items that need to be completed within 24 hours or he would close the school. He added one serious problem was gas leaks in the boiler room. Completion date for the Tyonek project is expected in November. There are now maintenance men assigned to the Homer and Seward area schools.

He stated there will be a meeting on October 5 with President Glick, Dr. Craig and himself to discuss the Building Use Policy.

READING CONSORTIUM:

Dr. Hall reported that through the South Central Regional Resource Center, Mr. Gorman has been hired as coordinator for the Mat-Su/Kenai Boroughs program funded for a state consortium. Dr. Hall stated that on October 18 he will be attending a meeting in Washington, as a member of the Executive Committee with four other representatives from four other states and Mr. Gorman. He will be discussing the needs of the entire state.

NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CENTER FOR CAREER EDUCATION: Dr. Hall reported that last week the Regional Resource Center was fortunate to have the executive director explain the Regional Resource Center Services of the National Center for Career Education. He added that the National Center for Career Education was established about 1½ years ago under a grant from the Department of Health, Education & Welfare for the purpose of pulling together all information relative to Career Education.

HOME COUNSELOR:

Dr. Hall reported that he requested Mrs. Taeschner, Coordinator/ Nursing Services, to provide him with accurate information relative to Health Services Personnel/Home Counselors student ratio. He requested the names of the home counselors, the schools and days they serve and the number of students served. He suggested the board give some direction in the near future regarding nursing services.

K.P.E.A.:

Mr. Tom Murphy, President of the Kenai Peninsula Education Association, stated that Alaska Statute Section 14.20.560 (b) and (c) speaks to the necessity for two things that must happen before an organization assumes bargaining powers. He stated that the School Board must (1) hold a decertification election of the present bargaining agent and (2) if the present bargaining agency is terminated, the school board must hold an election determining the new bargaining agent. Further, the election of a bargaining agent must be by secret ballot, not signed pledge cards.

He questioned whether the green cards presented to the board by the Kenai Peninsula Federation of Teachers were a request for a bargaining election preceded by a decertification election, and whether they comply with state law in the American Arbitration Associations decision of September 1974.

SPEECH THERAPIST:

Mr. Tom Murphy stated that due to the increased enrollments at Soldotna and Sterling Elementary there have been some space problems for classes. He stated that presently the speech therapist at these schools is forced to meet in the hallways of the schools. He added that this is an unfortunate situation and difficult for the children to receive any real help, and difficult for the therapist to be of any real assistance.

ANCHOR POINT, TUSTUMENA, STERLING ADDITIONS:

Mr. Bill Kim, architect, presented schematics for the Anchor Point, Tustumena, and Sterling additions. He stated that the Sterling addition, consisting of two classrooms and one kindergarten room, has an area of 5,313 square feet at a cost of \$110 per square foot, for a total of \$586,894; Tustumena addition, consisting of two classrooms and one kindergarten room, with an area of 4,704 square feet at a cost of \$114 per square foot, for a total of \$536,750; and Anchor Point addition, consisting of one classroom and a kindergarten room, with an area of 2,856 square feet at a cost of \$108 per square foot, with a total cost of \$307,500. The total estimate for the three projects is \$1,431,144 with a total of 12,873 square feet at approximately \$111 per square foot.

ANCHOR POINT, TUSTUMENA, STERLING ADDITIONS (Continued): ACTION Mr. Hobart moved to approve the schematics for the Sterling, Tustumena, and Anchor Point additions as presented, and recommended the architect consider slab on grade on all three sites. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Hobart, Owens, Glick

Motion carried unanimously.

SOLDOTNA & HOMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

Mr. Ward suggested the board recommend hiring an architect for the Soldotna and Homer Elementary School projects to Borough officials. He stated his concern is due to the fact that the land has not been secured for these schools. He stated it is State land, and the State Board of Education must approve the utilization of the land for educational purposes before the school district can obtain it. Therefore, the school district must have some type of schematics for the overall complex of Soldotna Elementary and Homer Elementary.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved that the administration pursue the employment of architects by the Borough to develop schematics for Homer and Soldotna Elementary Schools. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if any architects had been hired.

Mr. Ward stated that they have not. However, they have been selected. He added that the elementary schools will be similar in construction and facilities.

Motion carried unanimously.

ELEMENTARY COMPETITIVE SPORTS RULES & REGULATIONS:

Dr. Gallaher stated that at the last board meeting the Board of Education approved the Policy on Elementary Competitive Sports. However, a motion was made to table the Rules and Regulations until this meeting. He recommended board approval of the Rules and Regulations.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to place the Elementary Competitive Sports Rules and Regulations back on the floor. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Owens stated that she disagrees with item #3, "There will be no borough or district or regional school championships". She stated that the children like to compete and like to be able to say our school won the tournament. She added she sees nothing wrong with having the tournaments and championships in addition to having all the field days.

Dr. Gallaher stated it is the case of having many different activities and trying to encourage youngsters to participate in as many sports as possible in the nature of field days rather than in a highly competitive situation.

ELEMENTARY COMPETITIVE SPORTS RULES & REGULATIONS (Continued): Mr. Friese stated that the first task of the committee was to review exactly what was happening in the Borough at the present time; and as the committee reviewed the current program it appears the greater emphasis is in the direction of highly competitive sports in the 4, 5, and 6 grades. He stated that the committee corresponded with major agencies and organizations throughout the United States. Those contacted, urged communities, such as ours, to encourage wide spread participation. He stated that as they reviewed the policy it was felt that the Rules and Regulations to the policy would not drastically change the program in the Kenai Borough, but would put an emphasis on broad participation with a large number of students, where borough championships and tournaments would not be emphasized. He added that the program would be an outgrowth of physical education, as our physical education programs will introduce the skills and the games.

Mr. Friese stated that if winning is the main goal, then surely all the students on a team would not be playing in a game. The best ones would be.

Mr. Hobart stated that winning is inbred into human beings and he doesn't feel the sports program, as related to the Rules and Regulations at the elementary level, would be hurt by them in any way. If the board finds that the program is not working out as planned, the Rules and Regulations can be changed; but the board needs to start somewhere.

Mr. Jones inquired why the board felt a policy had to be established.

Mrs. Cannava stated that there was not a policy pertaining to sports, so the board had no plan and no foresight when recommendations or suggestions came regarding sports. She stated that this is a first attempt to develop a policy, but by no means is it to be the final policy. She added the policy manual is continuously changing. She stated that the board is supposed to be concerned for the welfare of the children in the borough. Therefore, this was an area that needed research.

Dr. Gallaher stated that it was not only the Board of Education, but also the administration and a number of teachers, that were concerned with having a policy developed for the elementary grades on competitive sports.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Hobart moved to adopt the Rules and Regulations for Extra-Curricular Activities in grades K-6 as presented. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

VOTE: YES - Hobart, Cannava, Glick

NO - Brower, Owens

Motion failed.

ACTION

BUDGET TRANSFERS:

Mr. Swarner presented Budget Transfers #76-14 thru #76-25

#76-14, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-100-110-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-007-100-110-470, Instructional Media, \$75.00;

#76-15, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-160-804-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-007-160-804-470, Instructional Media, \$220.00;

#76-16, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-605-000-453, Janitorial Supplies, to Account #01-007-605-000-510, Equipment-New, \$1,170.00;

#76-17, Soldotna Junior High School: from Account #01-012-515-000-426, Travel, to Account #01-012-515-000-530, Other Supplies, \$200.00;

#76-18, Moose Pass School: from Account #01-037-100-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-037-330-000-469, Health Services-Other Supplies, \$35.00

#76-19, Moose Pass School: from Account #01-037-515-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-037-100-000-510, Regular Instruction, Equipment-New, \$115.00; and from Account #01-037-100-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-037-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$335.00;

#76-20, Soldotna Elementary School: from Account #01-043-515-000-520, Equipment-Replace, to Account #01-043-515-000-530, Other Expenses, \$200.00;

#76-21, Tustumena School: from Account #01-045-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-045-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$500.00;

#76-22, Sterling Elementary School: from Account #01-044-200-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-044-200-000-470, Instructional Media, \$300.00;

#76-23, Sterling Elementary School: from Account #01-044-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-044-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$215.00.

#76-24, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-100-100-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-007-100-100-470, Instructional Media, \$110.00; and from Account #01-007-100-100-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-007-100-100-470, Instructional Media, \$150.00;

#76-25, Ninilchik Elem/High School: from Account #01-002-160-808-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-002-160-808-451, Teaching Supplies, \$1,000.00.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):
ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-14, #76-15, #76-16, #76-17, #76-18, #76-19, #76-20, #76-21, #76-22, #76-23, #76-24, and #76-25 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall recommended approval of the students to the Alternate Study Program.

ACTION

Mrs. Owens moved to approve the students to the Alternate Study Program as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

SWIMMING POLICY STATEMENT:

Dr. Hall stated he was recommending the following policy statement for swimming in the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District:

"The major objective of swimming in the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District is to provide instruction to students; to incorporate survival swimming techniques in all swimming instruction, and to make available swimming experiences to residents of the community. Secondary objectives: (1) to develop and provide opportunities for recreational swimming at all levels, (2) to inform the community of the benefits of knowing how to swim from recreational, physical and safety standpoints, (3) to coordinate a district-wide program with all schools having swimming facilities, (4) to develop special programs in water safety, survival swimming, competitive swimming, etc."

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to approve the Swimming Policy as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

SWIM STAFFING RATIO:

Dr. Hall recommended approval of the Rules and Regulations, Staffing - Swim Program as follows:

0 - 15 students - 1 instructor, 1 guard; 16 to 30 students - 1 instructor, 1 instructor assistant, 1 guard; 31 to 45 students - 1 instructor, 2 instructor assistants, 1 guard; 46 to 60 students - 1 instructor, 4 instructor assistants, 1 guard; 61 to 75 students -

1 instructor, 4 instructor assistants, and 1 guard.

The staff certification requirements are: Instructor - WSI; Assistant Instructor - BSI or YMCA; Life Guard - Life Guard Certificate (Advanced).

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to concur with the Staffing Ratio, Rules and Regulations as outlined by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

POOL MANAGEMENT RULES & REGULATIONS:

Dr. Hall recommended approval of the administrative Rules and Regulations on Pool Management.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the Administrative Rules and Regulations on Pool Management as described. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

USE OF FACILITIES:

Dr. Hall recommended approval of the Administrative Rules and Regulations - Use of Facilities.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the district-wide use of facilities for swimming pool management regulations as outlined. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT:

Dr. Hall recommended approval of the State Department Memorandum of Agreement on Correspondence Study.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the Department of Education's Memorandum of Agreement on Correspondence Study. Mr. Hobart seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended contracts for Richard Waisanen, Upper Elementary, Sterling Elementary School, effective October 4; Barbara Dilley, from ½ time to full-time, Math, Soldotna Junior High; and Lorraine Worley, from ½ time to full-time, English, Soldotna Junior High School, effective October 18, 1976.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart moved to approve the staff appointments as outlined. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESIGNATION:

Dr. Gallaher recommended accepting the resignation of Peggy Lutz, Alternative Education, Seward High School, effective October 15.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the resignation of Peggy Lutz, Alternative Education, Seward High School, effective October 15. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

K.P.F.T. & K.P.E.A.:

Mr. Glick stated that after conferring with the board's attorney, the board will take the appropriate action and inform Mr. Tullos and Mr. Murphy of said action.

GENERAL PURPOSE: EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

Mr. Hobart moved that the board direct the administration to bring back the Rules and Regulations on Extra-Curricular Activities in the Elementary Grades, eliminating the areas of contention that exist in those submitted this evening. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

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EXTRA-CURRICULAR
ACTIVITIES IN THE
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
(Continued):

Motion was withdrawn.

Dr. Hall inquired as to how he should handle the extra-curricular activities since the policy had been approved.

Mr. Glick advised him to interpret the policy as written.

SPEECH THERAPIST:

Mr. Hobart inquired if there was any way the speech therapist space problem could be eliminated.

Mr. Ward stated that there are no available portables anywhere.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Mrs. Taeschner stated it seems the nurses are the last people to have a decent place to work. She added they finally got lights in a closet and storage room, just when someone else took over the area.

EDUCATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS:

Dr. Hall suggested the board review the educational specifications presented to them at an earlier date so that they may take action on them at a subsequent meeting.

RUSSIAN VILLAGE PLAYGROUND:

Mrs. Shirley Forquer stated that the Russian Village students do not have a playground, as the old plywood buildings were moved to the proposed play area. She added that not only are these buildings taking up the playground, but they are detracting from the new school. She stated they do have equipment for a playground in storage.

Mr. Glick inquired if there was any chance of having the two older buildings painted.

Mr. Hobart stated that the board will look for another area for a playground.

Mr. Ward stated the two older buildings are to be painted next year. He added that it would cost approximately \$10,000 to move the two older buildings. He stated that when he goes to Russian Village for the inspection of the school on Thursday, he will look for a suitable area for another playground.

MAINTENANCE MEN:

Mr. John Jones stated that the maintenance men are working out well in the Homer area.

SPEECH THERAPIST:

Mr. Tom Murphy inquired whether or not he could relate a message of encouragement to the speech therapist, regarding their space problem.

Dr. Hall stated that he will contact the local administrators and Kris Rogers for recommendations.

ADJOURN:

At 9:58 p.m., by general consent of the board, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Carl Glick, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of October 4, 1976 were approved October 18, 1976.

# KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING P. O. Box 1200 Soldotna, Alaska 99669



October 18, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Carl Glick, President
Mr. Jerry Hobart, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tommy Corr Mr. Paul Fischer Mr. Gerry Tullos

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Glendenning

Mrs. Judith Dragseth

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mr. Tom Murphy
Mr. Justin Maile
Mr. Patrick O'Connell
Mrs. Catherine Parker
Mr. Frank McIllhargey

Mr. Al Besch Mr. Bob Ohler Mr. Bill Schrier Judge Hanson

Mr. Bob Richardson Mrs. Barbara Jewell Mrs. Janice Mott Mrs. Sue Johnson Mr. Gregory Gabriel Dr. Charles Craig

Mr. & Mrs. Herman Stenga Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mr. Glick.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Glick invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OATH OF OFFICE:

The Oath of Office was administered to newly elected board members Mrs. Sheila Owens, Mrs. Sharon Brower, Mrs. Sandra Morris, and Mrs. Joyce Fischer, by Notary Public, Barbara Jewell.

Mr. Glick congratulated the new board members on their election.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava
Mrs. Joyce Fischer
Mr. Jerry Hobart
Mrs. Sandra Morris
Mrs. Sheila Owens
Mr. Carl Glick
Present
Present
Present
Present
Present
Present

REORGANIZATION OF BOARD: PRESIDENT

Mr. Glick requested nominations for President.

Mrs. Cannava nominated Mr. Hobart for President of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Mrs. Cannava moved that Mr. Hobart be elected by unanimous consent. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

CLERK

ACTION

Mrs. Fischer nominated Mrs. Cannava for Clerk of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Mr. Glick moved nominations be closed. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Mrs. Cannava was unanimously elected Clerk.

TREASURER

Mrs. Owens nominated Mrs. Morris as Treasurer of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Mr. Glick moved nominations be closed. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Mrs. Morris was unanimously elected Treasurer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

HOCKEY ASSOCIATION:

Mr. Gregory Gabriel requested the Board of Education consider the feasibility of erecting an inflatable cover over an ice hockey rink in the Soldotna area on property of the school district at a cost of \$85,000 for the purpose of youth hockey competition and public ice skating recreation. He stated Mr. Bob Ohler, general contractor will erect it at cost and Twin Cities Electric will hook it up at cost.

The school board minutes of October 4, 1976 were approved as written

Mr. Hobart stated that this sum of money is not budgeted and since the Capital Improvement list is quite lengthy, he would not like to see this structure override other priorities.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he felt it premature to take action at this time.

Mr. O'Connell stated that the Assembly did not take action at a prior meeting because they felt the Board should first. However, they were in favor of the structure. He indicated that the money would not be taken out of the current budget, but that it would come out of unappropriated surplus revenues of the Borough.

Mr. Glick read a communication from Mr. Tom Murphy, President of K.P.E.A. Mr. Murphy commended Dr. Gallaher and Central Office staff for the manner in which teacher transfers were handled.

K.P.E.A.:

PUBLIC HEARINGS ENGLISH BAY & PORT GRAHAM:

Dr. Gallaher stated that Dr. Hall, Mr. Jeffers and himself went to Port Graham and English Bay on October 8th, to attend the public hearings regarding the establishment of a high school program, partial high school program, or no high school program in the respective villages. There were 25 people in attendance at the public hearing in Port Graham, and 28 at the public hearing in English Bay. He stated that the advisory committees of the villages have until November 2 to make a decision regarding a secondary program.

K.P.F.T. REQUEST FOR ELECTION:

Dr. Gallaher stated that at the October 4th meeting Gerry Tullos, President of the Kenai Peninsula Federation of Teachers, presented the Board of Education with representation cards from over 100 certificated staff employees with a letter requesting an election to determine a bargaining agency. He stated the board's attorney ruled the cards were insufficient for calling for an election to choose a new bargaining agency. Therefore, the request of K.P.F.T. to hold an election to determine a bargaining agency was denied.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward reported that the storage sheds have runners placed under them and insulation has been installed. He stated the floors should be in place next weekend and a number of the sheds have already been moved to semi-permanent locations. Two portables at Soldotna Elementary will be carpeted next weekend. As of Thursday, October 14, beneficial occupancy was received for the Nikolaevsk School. Teachers started moving into the new facility on Friday. He stated the administration will meet with architects concerning the nine classroom addition at Homer.

K.P.E.A.:

Mr. Tom Murphy inquired what the school board policy was regarding retention of ninth grade students. He stated there was a ninth grade student retained at Soldotna Junior High School because he/she was failing in all subjects. He questioned if Soldotna Junior high was better able to help this student than the high school which offers a vocational program.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the board does not have a policy on retention of ninth grade students. He added that it is left up to the administration and staff to make a determination.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Gallaher recommended two individuals to the alternate study program. He stated that one of the students needs one unit of English to meet the graduation requirements, and due to the marital status of the individual he/she would like to be placed on correspondence. The other is a high school student who needs employment to sustain himself and to do some work at home.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the two students to the Alternate Study Program as recommended. Mr. Glick seconded.

VOTE: YES - 6

NO - 1

Motion carried.

BAND TRIP TO HAWAII:

Dr. Gallaher stated Bob Richardson, band instructor, is requesting permission to take the Kenai Central High School Concert Band to Hawaii this spring, either April 5 - 12 or April 12 - 19. Dr. Gallaher stated that the board does have a policy regarding approval of trips out of state and to foreign countries. He stated that the request must be made three months in advance and that the board does not fund these trips. He recommended approval of the trip to Hawaii.

Mr. Deutschlander stated that there are band and choir trips in various parts of the country, called international festivals. He stated that there are 500 - 1000 students that generally participate, depending on the location and the size of the groups invited to attend the festival. He added that the bands play in competition with each other, and play a number of concerts in schools or other appropriate places. He stated there would be some sight seeing involved and the students would be gone from Tuesday to Tuesday. However, they would be required to make up their school work. Mr. Deutschlander stated that they are considering having the two junior high band teachers attend also if they can be released from teaching.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the request for a trip to Hawaii for the Kenai Central Concert Band. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Swarner presented Budget Transfers #76-26 thru #76-32.

#76-26, Seward High School:
from Account #01-008-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to
Account #01-008-100-000-451, Teaching supplies, \$1,200.00; and
from Account #01-008-100-000-520, Equipment-Replace, to
Account #01-008-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$900.00.

#76-27, Sterling Elementary School: from Account #01-044-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-044-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$107.00.

#76-28, Seward High School: from Account #01-008-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-008-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$600.00.

#76-29, Central Office (District-Wide): from Account #01-099-755-000-541, Transfer of Funds, to Account #01-009-100-000-400, Profess-Tech Service, \$7,000.00.

#76-30, Correspondence: from Account #01-099-180-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-099-180-000-520, Equipment-Replace, \$4,000.00.

#76-31, Homer High School: from Account #01-006-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-006-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$40.00.

#76-32, English Bay School: from Account #01-034-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-034-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$100.00.

ACTION

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):
ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-26, #76-27, #76-28, #76-29, #76-30, #76-31, and #76-32 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

USE OF FACILITIES - REVISED REGULATIONS:

Mr. Ward recommended approving the revised Regulations for Use of School Facilities.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to accept the proposed changes in Use of School Facilities. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

VOTE: YES- Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Morris, Owens, Glick, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT - NEW FACILITIES:

Mr. Kirkpatrick recommended approval for purchase of furniture and equipment for Homer Middle School in the amount of \$13,976.00, leaving a balance of \$24.00 in their New Construction Account; purchase of furniture and equipment for Soldotna Elementary School in the amount of \$6,550.18, leaving a balance of \$9,006.12 in their New Construction Account; purchase of furniture and equipment for Kenai Central High School in the amount of \$10,684.02, leaving a balance of \$48,065.98 in their New Construction Account; purchase of furniture and equipment for Nikolaevsk Elementary School in the amount of \$22,445.40, leaving a balance of \$11,666.60; purchase of furniture and equipment for East Homer Elementary School in the amount of \$5,150.61, leaving a balance of \$1,381.12 in their New Construction Account; and purchase of furniture and equipment for Bob Bartlett School in the amount of \$26,178.88, leaving a balance of \$18,821.12 in their New Construction Account.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve the furniture and equipment purchases for Homer Middle School in the amount of \$13,976.00; Soldotna Elementary School in the amount of \$6,550.18; Kenai Central High School in the amount of \$10,684.02; Nikolaevsk Elementary School in the amount of \$22,445.40; East Homer Elementary School in the amount of \$5,150.61; and Bob Bartlett School in the amount of \$26,178.88 as recommended. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Mrs. Fischer inquired whether she was correct in thinking that some of the items listed for board approval had already been purchased.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that they had.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she was under the impression that the Borough Assembly frowned upon this type of action, and has requested this procedure be stopped.

FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT - NEW FACILITIES (Continued):

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that the rationale behind this action is that the requests are irregular and create a piece-meal presentation for approval by the Board, and in some instances the bid or quotation prices expire before the Assembly or Board meet. Therefore, he approves purchases. He added that the funds expended have been appropriated and are available.

VOTE: YES - Cannava, Fischer, Brower, Morris, Owens, Glick, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

1977-78 SCHOOL CALENDAR COMMITTEE:

Dr. Gallaher stated that Section 415, page 8, of the Negotiations Agreement with K.P.E.A. provides for the appointment of a seven member committee to develop a calendar for the following school year. He stated the committee must complete the calendar by December 1 and the board shall adopt the calendar as recommended by the committee.

ACTION

Mr. Hobart appointed Mrs. Fischer, Chairperson, Mrs. Marj O'Reilly, KPEA representative; Mr. Stan Friese, President, PAA, Mr. Charley Griffin, elementary administrator; Mr. Walt Ward, central office; Mrs. Margaret Simon, high school teacher; and Mr. Dave Cooper, custodian, to serve on a committee to develop a calendar for the 1977-78 school year.

RECESS:

At 8:35 p.m. Mr. Hobart called a short recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 8:50 p.m. the board reconvened after recess.

RESIGNATION:

Dr. Gallaher recommended accepting the resignation of Mary C. Schwenzfeier, elementary teacher, Susan B. English, effective November 5, 1976.

ACTION

Mrs. Owens moved to accept the resignation of Mary Schwenzfeier, elementary teacher, Susan B. English, effective November 5, 1976. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ELEMENTARY COMPETITIVE SPORTS RULES AND REGULATIONS: ACTION Dr. Gallaher recommended adoption of the Elementary Competitive Sports Rules and Regulations.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the Elementary Competitive Sports Rules and Regulations, with the stipulation that they will be evaluated by the Administration at the end of the school year and revised at that time if necessary. Mr. Glick seconded.

Mr. Al Besch stated that if "C" of the Elementary Competitive Sports Rules and Regulations, "There will be no borough or district or regional school championships. No borough, district, or regional tournaments to determine champions" is going to remain on the Rules and Regulations he felt that "H", "There will be no awarding of cups and trophies to individuals or team winners" could be eliminated. 38

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ELEMENTARY COMPETITIVE SPORTS RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued): Mr. Glick moved to amend the motion to delete item H. Mrs. Morris seconded.

VOTE OF AMENDMENT:

YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Morris, Owens, Glick, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

VOTE ON MAIN MOTION:

YES - Brower, Morris, Glick, Cannava, Hobart

NO - Fischer, Owens

Motion carried.

HOCKEY:

Mrs. Cannava moved that the school board relay to the Borough Assembly that they are in favor of Resolution #76-38 supporting the hockey air support structure, provided the funds for such structure do not come out of the present budget. Mr. Glick seconded.

VOTE: YES - Cannava

NO - Brower, Fischer, Owens, Glick, Morris, Hobart

Motion failed.

Mrs. Fischer moved to request the administration to secure information on maintenance and operational costs of a hockey air support enclosure. The information will be reported to the Board of Education within 6 weeks. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Morris, Glick, Owens, Cannava, Brower, Fischer, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PURPOSE: PA SYSTEM:

Mrs. Fischer inquired if there could be anything done to the public address system so the audience could hear the board more clearly.

Dr. Gallaher stated that wearing the microphones around the neck or speaking directly into them will increase the volume.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: KPFT:

Mr. Gerry Tullos, President, Kenai Peninsula Federation of Teachers, presented the Board of Education with a petition with approximately 120 signatures of the certificated staff, requesting the Board of Education to hold an election to determine a bargaining agency.

Mr. Hobart stated that after conferring with the board's attorney they will take the appropriate action.

Dr. Gallaher stated that state law requires that petitions to determine a bargaining agency must be held within 20 days of the request.

PUBLIC INFORMATION:

Mr. Paul Fischer requested that the board have information available to the public which relates to policies and rules and regulations, so the public would know precisely what the board is referring to.

ADJOURN:

At 10:00 p.m., Mrs. Morris moved that the school board meeting be adjourned. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully,

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President

The minutes of October 18, 1976 were approved with corrections on November 1, 1976.

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669



#### November 1, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instruction

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tommy Corr Mr. Paul Fischer Mr. Tom Murphy Mr. Justin Maile Mr. Patrick O'Connell Mrs. Catherine Parker

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mr. Rob Salo

Mrs. Sherry McGuiness Mr. Howard Partch Mr. Ted Carson

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present
Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present
Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Carl Glick Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of October 18, 1976, were approved with the following corrections:

REORGANIZATION OF BOARD: PRESIDENT - Mr. Cannava should be Mrs. Cannava,

KPEA - Mr. Glick should be Mr. Hobart,

FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT - NEW FACILITIES - Mr. Krikpatrick should be Mr. Kirkpatrick.

COMMUNITY COLLEGE:

Mr. Ward introduced Dr. John Wilsey, Director of the Kenai Peninsula Community College. Dr. Wilsey reported that the Community College has a record enrollment for the fall and it is still increasing. He stated there are 700 enrollees in the college, and over 240 full-time equivalents (taking 12 credit hours or more). He stated that they are presently working on a \$1.2 million budget and installation of a new computer system. He added that the community college has the only petroleum technology course in the state. A new food service program will be initiated with the use of micro-wave ovens.

SUPERINTENDENT'S WORK CONFERENCE COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY:

Mr. Hobart read a communication from Dr. Carroll F. Johnson stating that Dr. James F. Hall was nominated through a national screening process, for participation in the thirty-sixth annual Superintendent's Work Conference at Teacher's College, July 10 - July 22, 1977. The conference focuses on the critical issues and problems in educational administration.

FINANCE WORKSHOP:

Mr. Hobart stated that there will be a finance workshop at the University of Alaska, Anchorage, on November 18 & 19, concerning future financing of Alaska elementary and secondary schools. The workshop is for Superintendents, Board Members and Finance Officers.

PORT GRAHAM & ENGLISH BAY:

Dr. Gallaher reported that he has received written communications from the Port Graham Advisory School Committee and the English Bay Advisory School Committee. He stated that the Port Graham Advisory School Committee has elected to have a partial, grades 9 & 10, high school program. Expected enrollment is six. The English Bay Advisory School Committee has voted to have a full high school program for grades 9-12. The enrollment will be eight or nine students.

BARGAINING ELECTION:

Dr. Gallaher reported an election will be held to determine a bargaining agency to represent the certificated personnel on Thursday, November 4, between 3:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. Polling stations will be Anchor Point School, Seward High School, Homer Jr/Sr High School, and the Borough Building in Soldotna.

He stated that he has been working with representatives of both organizations to establish Ground Rules for the election. A total of thirty Ground Rules have been developed with twenty-one mutually agreed to by both organizations.

CALENDAR COMMITTEE:

Mr. Ward reported that the calendar committee met last Wednesday, and from a choice of five calendars, they were able to agree upon one. He stated that a copy of this calendar was sent to principals, newspapers, KPEA building representatives and Advisory School Committees. He added that the calendar contained a statement inviting the public's written comments and recommendations, which must be received by November 10 to be considered.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward reported that Mr. Wirum, architect for the Soldotna High School, will meet with the Soldotna Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, November 9, and with the construction advisory committee on Tuesday evening. He stated that inspection of the Tyonek project is planned for November 12, and the trailers for teacher housing in Tyonek will be barged there the latter part of this week.

AASB CONVENTION:

Mr. Hobart reported that the Alaska Association of School Boards Convention was held in Kodiak on October 24-26, with 186 board members in attendance. The total number attending, including guests, was about 200. A variety of clinics and sessions were offered, including one training session for new board members. Guest speakers were Mr. James Kirkpatrick, the Associate Director of the American Association of School Administrators: and Mr. Mecklinberger, from the National School Board Association. Seventeen resolutions were passed. The most important was concerning Proposition 2, which the Alaska School Board Association went on record as supporting. Proposition 2 is the school construction bond of \$59,000,000, of which \$20,000,000 is to be marked for secondary school buildings in rural areas of Alaska where students must now leave home to attend secondary schools. He added that Mr. Glick was elected director for a one-year term on the State Association of Alaska School Boards.

TEACHER EXCHANGE:

Dr. Hall reported that approximately 1½ years ago he was contacted by the Commissioner's office relative to a request for a teacher exchange from Australia. The end result was that there were two teachers selected from this district to participate in teacher exchanges with Australia. However, only one of the teachers was able to work out the necessary financial arrangements for the exchange. He stated he received word from Mr. Rex Murfett coordinating the exchange for Australia, and also from Jeff Jeffers, that they have been approved. He stated Mr. Stephen Andersen will be the exchange teacher going to Australia, and Mr. Ross Wenn will be the exchange teacher coming to Homer. He requested the board's concurrence for authorization for the teacher exchange. He added that there is no cost to the district.

ACTION

Mrs. Brower moved to accept the recommendation of Dr. Hall. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

KPEA:

Mr. Tom Murphy read a letter from the Kenai Peninsula Education Association to the School Board. He stated that the Kenai Peninsula Education Association calls your attention to a potentially dangerous situation that occurred Thursday, October 28, 1976. On that date the peninsula was hit by a snow storm which, according to state police, made the highways in the worst condition they have been in for many years. The fact that schools were open that day caused 1,000 children to be on these highways.

KPEA (Continued):

HOMER HIGH SCHOOL ADDITION:

ACTION

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

Mr. Hobart indicated that he had not received a copy of that letter to date.

Mr. Howard Partch presented the Board of Education with revised schemes for the classroom addition to the Homer High School. He explained that the revised Scheme A2 reduced corridor and boiler room space. He indicated that this scheme would be approximately \$650,000 less to construct than the one previously approved by the board.

Mr. Glick moved to approve Scheme A2 and rescind the Board's prior approval of Scheme A1. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Swarner presented budget transfers #76-33, #76-35, #76-36, #76-38, #76-39, #76-40, and #76-41.

#76-33, Sterling Elementary School from Account #01-044-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-044-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$100.00.

#76-35, North Kenai Elementary School from Account #01-039-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-039-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$1,000.00; and from Account #01-039-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-039-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$1,000.00.

#76-36, Soldotna Elementary School from Account #01-043-200-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-043-200-000-470, Instructional Media, \$700.00.

#76-38, Sears Elementary School from Account #01-041-515-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-041-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$300.00; and from Account #01-041-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-041-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$500.00.

#76-39, Soldotna Junior High School from Account #01-012-330-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-012-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$500.00; and from Account #01-012-330-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-012-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$500.00.

#76-40, Cooper Landing Elementary School from Account #01-032-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-032-515-000-510, Equipment-New, \$75.00; and from Account #01-032-605-000-453, Janitorial Supplies, to Account #01-032-515-000-510, Equipment-New, \$60.00.

BUDGET TRANSFERS

(Continued):

#76-41, Special Services

from Account #01-099-100-000-400, Professional-Technical Services,

to Account #01-099-300-000-510, Equipment-New, \$6,300.00.

ACTION Mr. Glick moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-33, #76-35,

#76-36, #76-38, #76-39, #76-40, #76-41 as recommended.

Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall stated that after discussion with the parents and looking at the circumstances, he would recommend approval of the seven-year old student to the Alternate Study Program.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve the student to the Alternate Study Program as recommended. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR:

Dr. Hall stated that he received a communication from the State Department of Education concerning a district nominee for Teacher of the Year. He stated that nominees must be exceptionally skilled, certificated by the State Department of Education, respected and admired by student, co-worker, and fellow citizens, and there must be evidence of being poised and articulate. He added that the State Department requires an extensive bibliography on the nominee. The name of a nominee must be submitted to the State Department by November 8, 1976. Kenai Elementary School submitted Judy Salo as nominee for Teacher of the Year; North Kenai submitted Julie Large and Judi Ballentine; and Bob Bartlett School submitted Keith Simons. Dr. Hall recommended that Keith Simons be named nominee for Teacher of the Year for the district.

ACTION

Mr. Owens moved to approve Keith Simons as nominee for Teacher of the Year for the district as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESIGNATION:

Dr. Gallaher recommended accepting the resignation of Jean Benward, 4th Grade, Kenai Elementary, effective October 29, 1976.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the resignation of Jean Benward, 4th Grade, Kenai Elementary, effective October 29, 1976.
Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended that Mrs. Sheryl McMichael be changed from half-time to full-time, elementary, Susan B. English; and Mr. Michael Sharp from half-time to full-time, elementary, Susan B. English, effective November 8, 1976.

ACTION

Mrs. Morris moved to approve Mrs. Sheryl McMichael from half-time to full-time, elementary, Susan B. English; and Mr. Michael Sharp from half-time to full-time, elementary, Susan B. English, effective November 8, 1976. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

RECESS:

At 8:30 P.M., Mr. Hobart called a short recess.

RECONVENE:

At 8:45 P.M., the board reconvened in regular session.

KPEA PROTEST:

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Kenai Peninsula Federation of Teachers filed a protest of Ground Rules #22, #23, #28, and #29.

KPEA GRIEVANCE:

Mr. Hobart stated that KPEA requested that the Board of Education hear its grievance in executive session. He, therefore, recommended they be placed at the end of the agenda.

Mrs. Fischer stated that according to the grievance she did not see the reason for going into executive session.

Mr. Hobart stated that Section 14.20.560 does provide that the Board of Education, in matters of negotiations with an association, may go into executive session.

Mr. Ted Carson, Attorney for KPFT, inquired as to the nature of the grievance presented.

Mr. Tom Murphy stated that we are speaking about a confidential matter and KPEA wishes to keep it that way.

Mr. Hobart stated that under Section 640 of the Negotiations Agreement both parties agreed that proceedings for the grievance will be confidential. Mr. Hobart stated the grievance complaint is filed under Section 14.20.560 (b) of the Compiled School Laws of Alaska, Section 610 and 650 of the Negotiations Agreement.

Mr. Carson stated that this appears to be dealing with the upcoming election on Thursday for bargaining rights, and since KPFT is involved in the election, it is their desire to attend the executive session.

Mr. Hobart stated that the executive session will be strictly between the board and the association, and they will be addressing only the grievance, and any action taken will be in public.

KPEA GRIEVANCE
(Continued):

Mr. Carson stated that if the board decides to go into executive session then KPFT should be allowed to attend.

Mr. Hobart stated that unless KPFT acquires a court order, the grievance will be taken up in executive session.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to place the Kenai Peninsula Education Association's Grievance at the end of the agenda, and hear it in executive session. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Morris, Owens, Glick, Fischer, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULE OF FEES:

Dr. Hall recommended that rental of facilities, classrooms, music rooms, band rooms, home ec., etc., for purposes of providing individual music instruction, have rental rates as follows:

For teachers charging an instructional fee of \$3.50 per lesson or less, \$50 per semester; for teachers charging more than \$3.50 per lesson, the commercial rate of \$15 per hour will be charged.

ACTION

Mrs. Owens moved to accept the fee schedule for music instruction at \$50 per semester for teachers charging an instructional fee of \$3.50 per lesson or less; and \$15 per hour for teachers charging more than \$3.50 per lesson. Mr. Glick seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Owens, Glick, Brower, Cannava, Morris, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PURPOSE:
PUBLIC HEARING ON
BOND ISSUES:

Mrs. Cannava recommended that Mr. Hobart and Dr. Gallaher attend the November 16th Borough Assembly meeting to give support to the bond issue which is coming up. She stated this will be the last public hearing concerning the bond issue.

1977-78 SCHOOL CALENDAR:

Mrs. Fischer suggested having three additional days on the 1977-78 school calendar for purposes of snow days.

Mr. Hobart stated that the board does not have any right to designate days like that.

Dr. Gallaher stated that school closures must be approved by the Commissioner of Education. He further added that at times it is difficult to know when to close the schools, as the weather may not be the same in Seward as it is in North Kenai.

Mr. Hobart stated that since Mrs. Fischer is chairperson of the calendar committee maybe she could work something out with the rest of the committee.

1977-78 SCHOOL CALENDAR (Continued):

Mr. Kraus stated that as a parent he was very disturbed that school was held last Thursday, since the State Highway Department reported zero visibility, and not to drive unless absolutely necessary. He stated that he feels the school administration should be more concerned with the welfare of the children. He recommended that whenever zero visibility is a factor of the weather, schools should automatically be closed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** 

At 9:30 P.M., the board met in executive session.

Mr. Carson inquired if the board made a determination of whether KPFT would be allowed to attend the executive session. He stated that Chapter 62, Administrative Procedure Action, Section 44.62.310, Paragraph C only gives three reasons why the board should meet in executive session.

Mr. Hobart stated that in Section 640 of the Negotiations Agreement, both parties agree that proceedings will be confidential.

At 10:25 P.M., the executive session was adjourned.

At 10:30 P.M., Mrs. Owens moved the board reconvene into regular session. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

KPEA GRIEVANCE:

RECONVENE INTO

**REGULAR SESSION:** 

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE

SESSION:

Mr. Hobart stated that the Grievance by KPEA requests that the School Board not conduct any bargaining election prior to July 1, 1977, as per Section 650 of the Negotiations Agreement.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to go ahead with the election as planned on November 4, and follow the Ground Rules as set forth. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Brower, Cannava, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

SUPERINTENDENT'S WORKSHOP CONFERENCE:

Dr. Gallaher stated that he had the experience of attending the Superintendent's workshop Conference a number of years ago. He added it is the top conference and experience for practicing superintendent's in the nation.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved that Dr. Hall attend the Workshop Conference at Columbia University, July 10-22, 1977. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

KPEA:

Mr. Tom Murphy requested the board hold abeyance of the bargaining agency election until adequate resolution of the grievance has been accomplished.

KPEA (Continued):

Mr. Hobart stated that under law the deadline for holding the election would be Friday, November 5, and that it would be his suggestion to the board that the only way this election be stopped is by court order. He added it is necessary to abide by the board's legal advise. We must hold the election within twenty days from when the petition was filed.

ADJOURN:

At 10:30 P.M., Mrs. Cannava moved the school board meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully,

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of November 1, 1976 were approved with corrections on November 15, 1976.



### KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

November 15, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instruction

Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tommy Corr Mr. Paul Fischer Mr. Tom Murphy Mr. Justin Maile Mr. Patrick O'Connell Mrs. Ginnie Savoie

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mrs. Catherine Parker
Mr. Harold Wirum
Mr. Kris Rogers
Mr. Dillon Kimple
Dr. John Stamm
Mr. James Gorman
Mr. Dale Porath

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present (7:30)

Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present
Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Carl Glick Absent
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of November 1, 1976, were approved with the following corrections:

TEACHER OF THE YEAR ACTION: Mrs. Owens should be Mrs. Brower.

KPEA GRIEVANCE (3rd paragraph): Mr. Hobart should be Dr. Gallaher.

KPEA:

Mr. Hobart read a communication from Anna Ritter, Teacher Rights Chairperson, (KPEA), stating the Teacher's Rights Committee has decided to take the grievance on the bargaining election to binding arbitration. According to the Negotiations Agreement, it will be necessary to submit the grievance to a panel of three for a binding decision.

BARGAINING AGENT ELECTION:

Dr. Gallaher stated the election to determine a bargaining agent was held on November 4. Of 350 certificated employees eligible to vote, 314 cast valid ballots. Of the actual votes cast, KPFT received 36% and KPEA received 63%. KPEA will remain the bargaining agent for the certificated staff. Mrs. Brymer, Borough Clerk, certified the election results.

SCHOOL CLOSURES:

Dr. Gallaher stated that he received a communication from Commissioner Lind regarding school closures. Dr. Lind stated that the last legislative session amended Section 04.03.020 and 14.03.040 providing more flexibility for making up days when schools are closed due to emergencies. He stated that school closures may be made up by extending the school day, holding school on Saturdays and by extending the school year. It was further stated that the Department of Education will be reluctant to approve closures, especially during the first half of the school year. As the end of the school year approaches the Department will consider approval of closure days. However, school closure days should be considered as holidays; the teachers not paid for those days, and the time missed be made up. Dr. Gallaher stated that school closures will be discussed with the local administrators.

AIR-SUPPORTED HOCKEY STRUCTURE:

Dr. Gallaher reported, as requested by the Board of Education, on information obtained regarding an air-supported hockey enclosure. He stated that he talked with a Mr. Newbert, and Mr. Swarner personally interviewed Mr. Newbert and Mr. Brown of the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, regarding the air supported hockey enclosure installed at the University. It was found the first structure utilized by the University of Alaska lasted four years and that it deteriorated from the ultra-violet sun rays. The present structure, purchased in 1973, has a life span of 10 to 12 years. The cost of the 1973 structure was \$70,125 excluding blowers. Snow must be removed regularly from the structure and is accomplished by helicopter at a cost of \$275 per hour which averages about \$3,000 per year. The maintenance costs are the same whether the rink is covered or not. Problems of snow removal are greater in regions where snow is wet. The University of Alaska has experienced vandalism and erected a fence around the structure for security purposes. Major tears in the fabric must be repaired by a special team from outside the state.

SOUTH CENTRAL RESOURCE CENTER:

Dr. Hall recalled the legislation establishing several Regional Resource Centers throughout the State of Alaska. One of those being the South Central Regional Resource Center with this district being a member. Carl Glick is our representative member to the board of directors. In addition, he is chairman of that board.

SOUTH CENTRAL RESOURCE CENTER (Continued):

Dr. Hall introduced Dr. John Stamm, Executive Director, for the South Central Regional Resource Center. Dr. Stamm related to the board the various services and programs. He stated the purpose of the South Central Regional Resource Center, as an intermediate education agency, is to provide to local education agencies. services which they cannot afford or provide individually. Services are based on identified needs of the boards, as well as other agencies or persons providing educational services. The Board of Directors composed of one voting member from the school board of each local education agency participating in the SCRRC, is responsible for the Center's policies and management. Some of the services currently available from the South Central Regional Resource Center are as follows: Special education services for exceptional children and their teachers; development of educational program models for gifted/talented children; development of individual learning programs; individual psychology and behavioral evaluations; screening and assessment of programming for districts: training classroom-based evaluation strategies, etc.

Mr. Jim Gorman, Reading Program Specialist for the Regional Resource Center, also referred to as the linker, gave a brief presentation stating a linker is trained to help educators define their educational problems and to find a solution. He stated that he is involved with the Right to Read effort. He added that this is an effort to eliminate illiteracy by 1980 as a national goal.

Mr. Ward reported that the security gate to be installed between the pool and shower rooms at Kenai Central High School has arrived and will be installed during the Thanksgiving vacation. There has been a problem with the hallway entrances from the showers to the pool area being slick. However, runners or mats will be placed in the area until the deck paint is available. Final inspection of the Tyonek School will be Friday, November 19. The barge transporting the trailers to Tyonek has been delayed due to large ocean waves The Soldotna High School plans were reviewed by the Construction Advisory Committee and the Chamber of Commerce on November 9. Mr. Ward recommended authorizing the Borough Assembly to appropriate enough money so the architects of that project may proceed with detailed construction plans.

Dr. Hall stated that the Soldotna Junior High School has been recognized as the 1976 State Physical Fitness Champion. He recommended the board's concurrence on the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS TO SOLDOTNA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ON BEING THE 1976 STATE CHAMPION IN PHYSICAL FITNESS AND SPORTS.

WHEREAS, the Soldotna Junior High School students have been declared the state champion in physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, this Presidential Physical Fitness Award for the 1975-76 school year is a singular award of great distinction for students who achieve the minimum competency; and

CONSTRUCTION:

PRESIDENT'S PHYSICAL FITNESS AWARD:

PRESIDENT'S PHYSICAL
FITNESS AWARD (Continued):

WHEREAS, the Presidential Award goes to the school which has the highest percentage of students qualifying for the Presidential Physical Fitness Award; and

WHEREAS, Soldotna Junior High School placed first in the State of Alaska.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

That the student body of the Soldotna Junior High School are hereby recognized for their achievement in physical fitness, with particular recommendation of the combined efforts of the physical education instructors at the Soldotna Junior High School.

That the District Superintendent of Schools is hereby directed to transmit copies of this resolution to the Honorable Gerald Ford, President of the United States; the Honorable Jay Hammond, Governor of Alaska; Senator Clem Tillion; Rep. Hugh Malone; Rep. Leo Rhode; Rep. Keith Specking; and Sen. Jalmar Kerttula.

Mrs. Cannava moved to adopt the resolution of congratulations to Soldotna Junior High School Students on being the 1976 State Champion in Physical Fitness and Sports as recommended. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

ACTION

Mr. Swarner presented the board with the September financial statement. He stated the 1976 audit report will be presented at the December board meeting. He stated that there has been some concern on the number of Budget Transfers. However, the reason for these transfers is due to the conversion to the new accounting system last year. As a result of the conversion, accounting has ended up with data not comparable from one year to another because of the structure of the coding system. He stated at the present time all budget transfers must be approved by the board. However, in some instances he feels they could be done administratively. He has requested the auditors to address the problem and present a recommendation.

Mr. Tom Murphy, President of the Kenai Peninsula Education Association, stated that a number of teachers from Seward are concerned with the substitute teachers selected to teach while the regular teacher is absent. He stated there are certificated substitutes available. However, the administration at the Seward schools has been selecting non-certificated substitutes. He requested clarification be made in obtaining substitutes and inquired if there is an Administrative Rule and Regulation which states how substitutes will be selected.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the substitutes are handled through the building principal. He added that the central office has a record of those people interested in substituting, where, and for what grades.

KPEA:

KPEA (Continued):

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Dr. Hall stated that since there is no rule as to whether the substitute should be certificated or non-certificated, the person hired as a substitute is generally the one best able to handle the class.

Mr. Murphy stated that this is a new problem in that certificated substitutes hired in prior years are not being called, whereas non-certificated substitutes are. He added the teachers are complaining, as apparently they feel some of the certificated substitutes are more capable of handling their classes.

Dr. Gallaher assured Mr. Murphy that he would look into the situation.

SOLDOTNA HIGH SCHOOL:

Mr. Ward stated that Mr. Bill Kim, architect, for the Tustumena, Anchor Point, and Sterling projects will be meeting tonight in Dr. Gallaher's office at 7:30 P.M. with the construction advisory committee.

Mr. Ward stated that Mr. Wirum and Mr. Porath, architects for the Soldotna High School project, are in attendance with updated Design & Development Plans of the Soldotna High School to present to the board.

Mr. Wirum, stated he and Mr. Porath were able to meet with the Soldotna Chamber of Commerce and the Construction Advisory Committe last week to discuss the Design & Development Stage of the Soldotna High School. He stated that there were no major objections from those parties. He stated that the building will be approximately 40 feet from the existing Soldotna Junior High School. He added that he feels the project should be bid March 15 in order to receiv the most competitive bids.

Mr. Porath went over the design and development plans with the Board of Education. He stated that the plan contains 140,000 square feet and provides for a capacity of 800 students.

Dr. Gallaher recommended the board adopt a resolution requesting the Borough Assembly to authorize the architects to proceed forthwith in the developing of detailed construction plans, documents and specifications.

Dr. Gallaher stated the Borough Assembly is holding its final hearing on school construction tomorrow evening. He further recommended the board adopt a resolution recommending to Borough Authorities that a bond issue in sufficient amount to provide for the construction, furnishings and equipment, and other costs of additions to Homer Jr./Sr. High, Anchor Point, Sterling and Tustumena School buildings and a high school in Soldotna, be submitted to the electorate at the earliest possible date, and that one bond issue be submitted representing the aggregate of the five projects.

SOLDOTNA HIGH SCHOOL (Continued):
ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the Design & Development Stage of the Soldotna High School as submitted, and to request Borough Authorities to employ the architects to proceed forthwith in the development of detailed construction plans, documents and specifications. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Fischer, Cannava, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Fischer moved that the board adopt a resolution recommending to Borough Authorities that a bond issue in sufficient amount to provide for the construction, furnishings and equipment, and other costs of additions to Homer Jr./Sr. High, Anchor Point, Sterling and Tustumena school buildings, and a high school in Soldotna, be submitted to the electorate at the earliest possible date, and that one bond issue be submitted representing the aggregate of the five projects. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

At 8:30 P.M., by general consent of the board, a short recess was called.

At 8:45 P.M., the board reconvened in regular session.

Dr. Hall reported that the National Center for Career Education method is a unique approach to local curriculum development, which combines high impact training strategies and techniques with access to the National Center for Career Education's national bank of career education materials. This process enables participants to develop and implement curriculum with a career education emphasis. He stated the description is (1) Entry Component - an introductory phase that sets the stage for the process of actual curriculum development (2) Process Component - the major emphasis of the training program, producing real products for the instructional program and (3) Feedback Component - the preparation for assessment and continuous revision of the instructional process. He stated that on September 30, Mr. Vince Barry and Mr. Howard Guard met with the secondary principals to explore the Career Education approach to curriculum development. He added that the secondary principals are in support of such a program.

Mrs. Owens moved to accept the recommendation of Dr. Hall and implement the National Center for Career Education - Curriculum Development in the Secondary Schools 7-12. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Dr. Hall stated that the administration would solicit names of interested teachers from local administrators and out of those names, statistically select forty. These forty would be trained, receiving nine quarter hours or six semester hours of college credit. The cost would be approximately \$23,500.

ACTION

RECESS:

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAREER EDUCATION CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT SECONDARY 7-12:

NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAREER EDUCATION CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT SECONDARY 7-12 (Continued): Mrs. Cannava inquired if these teachers would not be teaching in a school program.

Dr. Hall informed her that the training will take place Friday evenings and probably Saturdays.

Mrs. Cannava inquired who would be deciding the basic curriculum needs for the high school students?

Dr. Hall stated that the Board of Education will still approve the curriculum. He stated that the monies, if approved by the board, would be taken from the unused title program money.

Mrs. Cannava inquired how much money in the Title Programs was not being used.

Dr. Hall informed her that there was \$30,000 from the Title III Programs.

Mrs. Owens stated that she not only thinks the teachers know the needs of the schools, but the students and parents do also.

Dr. Hall stated that once we have a curricular program that looks feasible, students, parents, staff and local administration would be able to structure an instructional program, at least four years in advance.

Mrs. Owens stated that her main concern is what is going to happen to the students. She added that we are talking about students problems, not the teachers.

Mr. Tom Murphy stated that although he has not spoken individually to the secondary staff memebers about the implementation of this program, he knows there is quite a number of them that have mentioned their interest in it, and they feel it will be beneficial to the school system.

VOTE: YES - Owens, Morris, Brower, Cannava, Hobart

NO - Fischer

Motion carried.

Dr. Hall recommended the Board of Education consider for funding the following club activities for the 1976-77 school year: Future Homemakers of America, Pep Club, D.E.C.A. (Distributive Education), National Honor Society, and Health Club. He added that upon approval, it will be necessary for the negotiation teams of KPEA and the Board of Education to convene to determine the monetary value to be awarded sponsors for club activities.

ACTION

SCHOOL CLUBS:

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SCHOOL CLUBS (Continued):
ACTION

Mrs. Brower moved to approve the following clubs for funding by the Board of Education: Future Homemakers of America, Pep Club, D.E.C.A., National Honor Society, Health Club. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM: Dr. Hall stated that after meeting with the parents and students, he would recommend approval of the two students to the Alternate Study Program.

ACTION

Mrs. Fischer moved to approve the two students to the Alternate Study Program as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET TRANSFERS:

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfers #76-34, #76-37, #76-42, #76-43, #76-44, #76-45, #76-46, #76-47, #76-48, #76-49, #76-50, #76-51, #76-52, #76-53, #76-54, and #76-55.

#76-34, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-100-900-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-007-100-420-510, Library Services, Equipment-New, \$400.00;

#76-37, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-100-900-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-007-100-420-451, Teaching Supplies, \$726.00;

#76-42, Port Graham Elementary School: from Account #01-040-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-040-100-000-530, Other Expenses, \$150.00;

#76-43, Nikolaevsk Elementary School: from Account #01-038-420-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-038-100-000-470, Regular Instruction-Instructional Media, \$41.00;

#76-44, Seward High School from Account #01-008-420-000-520, Equipment-Replace, to Account #01-008-420-000-469, Other Supplies, \$50.00;

#76-45, District-Wide: from Account #01-096-800-000-469, Other Supplies, to Account #01-099-800-000-469, District-Wide-Other Supplies, \$1,700.00;

#76-46, Kenai Elementary School: from Account #01-036-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-036-100-000-457, Small Tools-Equipment, \$250.00;

#76-47, Extra-Curricular Budget Adjustment:
Refer to Memo dated November 15, 1976, from Richard Swarner,
to Board of Education, and/or board packet of November 15, 1976.

#76-48, Capital Equipment Budget Adjustment: Refer to Memo dated November 10, 1976, from Richard Swarner, to Board of Education, and/or board packet of November 15, 1976.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-49, East Homer Elementary School:
from Account #01-033-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to
Account #01-033-100-000-520, Equipment-Replace, \$2,00000;
from Account #01-033-200-000-510, Special Instruction-Equipment-New,
to Account #01-033-100-000-510, Regular Instruction-Equipment-New,
\$400.00; and
from Account #01-033-330-000-510, Health Services-Equipment-New, to
Account #01-033-100-000-510, Regular Instruction-Equipment-New,
\$1,000.00;

#76-50, Tustumena Elementary School: from Account #01-045-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-045-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$500.00; and from Account #01-045-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-045-330-000-469, Other Supplies, \$30.00;

#76-51, Central Office:
from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to
Account #01-099-756-000-451, District-Wide - Transfer of Funds,
\$47,000;
from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to
Account #69-799-160-065-320, Vo-Ed, RSVP Certificated Salaries,
\$26,500;
from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to
Account #69-799-160-065-350, RSVP Employee Benefits, \$4,500;
from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to
Account #69-799-160-065-426, RSVP - Vo-Ed, Travel, \$16,000; and
from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to

Account #69-915-250-000-000, Federal Grant Account, \$47,000;

#76-52, Vocational Program:
Refer to Memo dated November 11, 1976, from Richard Swarner, to
the Board of Education, and/or the board packet of November 15, 1976
On Budget Transfer #76-52, Soldotna Junior High - Home Economics
1411-77 \$14,087, 01-012-160-901-431 should be 01-012-160-901-451,
\$14,087.
On Budget Transfers #76-52, #3 - Soldotna Jr. High - Construction
Trades 1438-77 \$11,358, 01-012-160-901-320 should be

#76-53, Bartlett High School: from Account #01-001-800-000-426, Travel, to Account #01-001-515-000-530, Other Expenses, \$200.00;

#76-5, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-160-803-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-007-160-803-510, Equipment-New, \$635.00.

#76-55, East Homer Elementary: from Account #01-033-605-520, Equipment-Replace, to Account #01-033-605-457, Small Tools & Equipment, \$500.00.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-34, #76-37, #76-42, #76-43, #76-44, #76-45, #76-46, #76-47, #76-48, #76-49, #76-50, #76-51, #76-52, #76-53, #76-54, and #76-55, as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried. (1 - No)

01-012-160-805-320, \$8,363.00.

HOMER JR/SR VANS:

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Homer Jr/Sr High School administration is requesting the purchase of two 1975, 15-passenger Dodge vans for the purpose of transporting athletic teams. He stated the cost of the two vans would be \$13,050, (according to the Homer administration), which includes tires at \$150 and insurance at \$400. He stated they would be purchased with \$6,000 of the 1976-77 Travel Budget of Homer Jr/Sr High; \$1,050 of their Capital Equipment Budget, and the remaining \$6,000 would be an advance from the travel budget for the 1977-78 school year. Therefore, Homer Jr/Sr High School would be indebted to the Board of Education for \$6,000 for the 1977-78 fiscal year.

Mrs. Owens stated that after perusing the operation and control of the vans, she feels the vans should be stored at the school.

Mrs. Fischer questioned renting the vans to other schools.

Dr. Gallaher stated that if East Homer needed a van to transport a number of students somewhere, they could rent it for the cost of operation.

Mr. Deutschlander, Principal of Kenai Central High School, stated that they do rent their vans to the junior high. He added that there is a formula arranged for a rental fee.

Mrs. Owens inquired if the \$6,000 depleted Homer's travel budget.

Mr. Swarner assured her that it does not.

Dr. Gallaher recommended the following stipulations for the purchase of the vans: The figure of \$150 for tires be increased to \$400.00; the obligation against the 1977-78 travel budget be increased to \$6,250.00; that specificity regarding the place of storage of vans, when not in use, be provided; and the condition of the vans and the cost of each be evaluated and approved by Mr. Kirkpatrick.

Dr. Gallaher also stated that he questioned the enforceability of Item 5 on Operation and Control of Vans, "Misuse of vans may result in monetary liability".

Mrs. Fischer stated that she is concerned with the travel advance, and inquired if the board could actually commit another board.

Dr. Gallaher stated that we are committing next year's athletic fund — that the Board of Education is not giving a note for \$6,000. He added that it is necessary to keep in mind that Kenai Central and Homer High School will be paying for their vans.

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the proposal from the Homer Jr/Sr High Administration for the purchase of two vans with the stipulations as outlined by Dr. Gallaher. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Owens, Morris, Fischer, Cannava, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

RESIGNATION:

Dr. Gallaher recommended accepting the resignation of Michael D. Wilson, Special Services Teacher, Kenai Jr. High School, effective January 21, 1977.

ACTION

Mrs. Morris moved to accept the resignation of Michael Wilson, Special Services Teacher, Kenai Jr. High School, effective January 21, 1977. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF APPOINTMENT:

Dr. Gallaher recommended a contract for David A. Schwartz, 4th grade, Kenai Elementary School, effective November 1, 1976.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve a contract for David A. Schwartz, 4th grade, Kenai Elementary, effective November 1, 1976. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

DECEMBER MEETINGS:

The Board of Education will hold one regular meeting in December. It will be held December 13, Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska at 7:00 P.M. A work session will be held on December 9 at 7:00 P.M., Borough Building.

TITLE I COMPARABILITY:

Dr. Hall stated that for the last six years the district has been faced with the problem of comparability for the Title I Tutor Program. The teachers salaries are the basis for the comparability. This year the Soldotna Elementary School is not comparable with the other schools. The other schools are Seward Elementary and East Homer Elementary. The end result is that in order to become comparable as of December 1st, it will be necessary to hire a full-time instructional aide for a period of six months at approximately \$5,196. If the board does not desire to do that, then we will have to return all monies spent to the federal government including the grant to cover the costs of the tutors assigned to Soldotna Elementary. In addition, they may withdraw the total \$186,000.

Mrs. Fischer inquired what amount has been expended so far for the two tutors that would have to be returned.

Dr. Hall informed her that it would be approximately \$18,000 or \$19,000.

Mrs. Cannava stated that she would like to see the instructional aide working with the teachers, rather than stationed in the office if the board does concur.

Dr. Hall stated that the instructional aide would be monitored and would work with the teachers.

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the recommendation of Dr. Hall and employ one full-time instructional aide at a cost of \$5,196, as of December 1st for the Soldotna Elementary School, to bring that school into compliance. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE STUDY:

Dr. Hall stated that we have due this month, to the Department of Education, the fiscal Agreement for our Correspondence Program. Our projections for the 1977-78 school year is 110 full-time equivalent students which equals eight instructional units, or an approximate entitlement of \$224,678, under the Correspondence Study Program. A budget break down of anticipated expenditures for next year is projected at \$203,628.48. He requested the boards concurrence.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the \$64,000 in teaching supplies were to be used entirely for correspondence study.

Dr. Hall replied in the affirmative.

Mrs. Owens inquired how many teachers this involved.

Dr. Hall answered there is a Director and two teachers.

Mrs. Fischer moved to approve the Correspondence Fiscal Agreement with the Department of Education for the 1977-78 school year as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hall stated that the Special Education Program also requires a fiscal agreement with the Department of Education. He stated the total budget projected for Special Services for the district next year is \$1,099,462. He recommended the boards concurrence and

approval for submission to the fiscal agreement.

Mrs. Cannava inquired about the gifted and talented students.

Dr. Hall stated that next year they are anticipating about 37 full-time equivalent students, but we are not necessarily thinking in terms of individual classroom teachers for a group, or classes for gifted and talented students. Our approach is to bring about a means whereby we can bring in special people that have specific training in working with the gifted, and then those people will work with the classroom teacher to provide a program. We are projecting 145 students that will need a percentage of that service, or a full-time equivalency of 37. Part of our problem with the gifted is that the state has not given a clear definition or criteria for placement. Dr. Hall stated that when using the word gifted, the student academically would have to be at the 99 percentile in every subject matter area and that is unreasonable.

Mrs. Fischer moved to approve the Special Education Fiscal Agreement with the Department of Education for the 1977-78 school year as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION

SPECIAL EDUCATION:

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: EQUIPMENT PURCHASES:

Mr. Paul Fischer stated that at the last Assembly meeting the Assembly members were given a list of items to approve for capital equipment purchases for schools. However, the Assembly chose to postpone any action on the purchases as it was felt some of the items being purchased were not equipment. He added that the Borough Assembly President appointed a committee of Pat O'Connell, Tommy Corr and himself to meet with the board to discuss, and find a solution for the purchase of new school construction furnishings and equipment. Mr. Hobart, Dr. Gallaher and Mr. Kirkpatrick volunteered to meet with the Assembly's committee at 4:30 P.M. on November 23, 1976.

FINANCE MEETING:

Mr. Hobart reminded the board of the Finance Meeting in Anchorage on November 18 and 19.

ADJOURN:

At 11:00 P.M., by general consent of the board, the school board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of November 15, 1976 were approved with additions on December 13, 1976.

## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH - SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669



#### December 9, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMEBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Vo. Ed.

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instruction

Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tommy Corr
Mr. Paul Fischer
Mr. Charley Griffin
Mr. Tom Maughan
Mr. Tom Murphy
Mr. Dick Carignan
Mr. Rodger Schmidt
Mr. G. H. Deutschlander

Mr. Stan Friese

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:12 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present
Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present
Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Carl Glick Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

KPEA GRIEVANCE:

Mr. Hobart referred to the grievance filed by KPEA on October 25, 1976, regarding violation of Section 610 and Section 650 of the Negotiations Agreement. He stated the Board of Education rendered a decision to KPEA and, as a result, KPEA has taken the grievance to Step 4, Binding Arbitration. Mr. Hobart read from the Negotiations Agreement, Grievances, Step 4, "This Step 4 appeal shall be available only for grievances alleging a violation, misinterpretation or misapplication of this negotiations agreement". He added that it is necessary to appoint one member of the panel of two and they will select an arbitrator from the American Arbitration Association. Mr. Hobart recommended Mr. Paul Koval from Anchorage 🚟 to represent the board on the arbitration panel. Mr. Hobart added that in considering Step 4 the board will only agree to arbitrate Sections 610 and 650 of the Negotiations Agreement. He added that they can not arbitrate state law.

KPEA GRIEVANCE (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher suggested that the cost of the arbitration in this grievance be handled by the school board, who in turn will submit a bill to the Association for one-half of the total expenses.

Mr. Murphy, President of KPEA, concurred with this recommendation.

Mrs. Cannava moved to appoint Paul Koval of Anchorage to the arbitration panel and added that the board only agrees to arbitrate Sections 610 and 650 of the Negotiations Agreement, and that the cost of the arbitration will be handled by the school board and KPEA will be billed for one-half of the total expenses. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Glick, Fischer, Cannava, Brower, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he will send a letter, certified mail, to KPEA advising them of the board's action.

Mr. Hobart read a communication from the Association regarding negotiations. The letter requested the initiation of negotiations for an agreement to become effective on July 1, 1977. The KPEA's negotiating team will be A. W. (Bill) Johnson, Suzanne Legner, and Don Oberg. Anne Rogers will act as secretary.

Mr. Hobart appointed Mrs. Cannava, Mrs. Morris, (one of which is to act as secretary), Dr. Hall, and himself as the Board's negotiating team. The first meeting, established by Mr. Tom Murphy KPEA president, and the Board of Education, will be held on December 18, 9:00 A.M., at Soldotna Junior High School.

Dr. Gallaher stated that in the promotion of the bond issue any material distributed by the Central Office or the various school buildings must adhere to the Campaign Disclosure Law. This is done by the individual, group or organization registering with the Alaska Public Offices Commission. A treasurer and deputy treasurer must be identified. All materials distributed must contain the following: "Paid for by" Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education (KPBBE), P. O. Box 1200, Soldotna, Alaska 99669, and identify the name of the treasurer. He suggested that the board name Mr. Swarner as treasurer and Mrs. Morris as deputy treasurer.

Mrs. Cannava moved that the Board of Education register with the Alaska Public Office Commission and appoint Mr. Swarner as treasurer and Mrs. Morris as deputy treasurer. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Fischer stated that in the past several years the Seward Chamber of Commerce has given its support of students that have excelled academically and made the honor roll. She stated that after the first reporting period a banquet was given for them. She recommended a letter of commendation be written to the Seward Chamber of Commerce for its efforts on behalf of the students.

ACTION

CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE LAW:

ACTION

SEWARD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

KPEA:

Mr. Murphy inquired as to who would contact AAA regarding a third member on the arbitration panel?

Dr. Gallaher stated that since the Association took the initiative in filing the grievance at Step 4, it should take the initiative in contacting the American Arbitration Association.

Mr. Hobart inquired if they had an office in Anchorage?

Mr. Murphy stated the nearest address is in Seattle. However, there are eleven or twelve members that reside in Alaska.

ADJOURN:

At 7:30 P.M., by general consent of the board, the special school board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

yr. Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of December 9, 1976, were approved as written on January 3, 1977.



#### KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

December 13, 1976

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instruction

Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Tommy Corr Mr. Paul Fischer Mr. Justin Maile Mr. Patrick O'Connell Mrs. Katherine Parker Mrs. Barbara Banta

Mr. Rob Salo
Others present not identified

Mrs. Sharon Brower

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava

Mrs. Joyce Fischer

Mrs. Sandra Morris

Mrs. Sheila Owens

Mr. Carl Glick

Mr. Jerry Hobart

Absent (Excused)

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of November 15, 1976, were approved with the following additions:

NATIONAL CENTER FOR CAREER EDUCATION: Mrs. Fischer stated that the National Center for Career Education would involve approximately 40 teachers initially, and they would train the remaining teachers. She inquired how much input there has been from the teaching staff? Are the remaining 300+ teachers who do not receive credit for the training agreeable to this?

Dr. Hall stated that he has responses from eleven local administrators after meeting with Dr. Berry and Dr. Guard. He requested that the administrators discuss with their staff and advisory committees this concept; and as a follow-up Dr. Hall will be personally meeting with them so they will have a better understanding before involvement in the program.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Continued):

Mrs. Fischer felt this program was an overlapping of the Regional Resource Center and the services it provides.

Dr. Hall stated that Dr. Stamm was perhaps a little misleading as he has a staff of himself, one other, and a half-time psychologist. He added it will be a long time before SCRRC can provide this type of service. Most of the services that the resource center will be providing over the next two or three years will be to the small district that do not have necessary resources. In our district the primary services provided by SCRRC will be to work with Mr. Rogers in the area of Special Services.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the training cost of \$23,500 was the initial cost of the program.

Dr. Hall stated that within the training program the cost factor and figure are for use of the bank. He added that later on as we continue to use the bank year after year, there would be a cost. However, he doesn't know whether or not we will continue to use the bank once the program is developed. Dr. Hall stated that in the long run it will cost the district less for a secondary program; but he added, the \$23,500 is the initial cost of the 90 hours of training, use of the computer bank, and to cover the cost of the National Center staff being here.

BUDGET TRANSFERS: Mrs. Fischer inquired if we deficit transfers?

Mr. Swarner replied negatively.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she noticed three in the capital equipment transfer that, according to her figures, have deficit transfers — Homer, Sears and Soldotna Elementary.

Mr. Swarner stated there is some equipment money already established in the budget and these are only adjustments to that. If you are subtracting a transfer from these other figures in #76-48 there could be other monies that are already in the proper accounts that we are not asking for an adjustment.

Mrs. Fischer stated that also it does not balance. She added that there is an excess of \$15,186.00 on the capital equipment and extracurricular activities adjustment with the increases and decreases.

Mr. Swarner stated, "That is right; the decreases exceed the increases." Mr. Swarner further stated that the board will be presented with another adjustment that will have more account numbers on it than the capital equipment — namely, substitute teachers salaries. He stated that substitute teachers salaries are scattered throughout every function code and the board increased the substitute salaries over and above what was originally budgeted. Consequently, budget transfers will be requested to get the amounts to reflect the increase. Mr. Swarner added that this is the reason it does not balance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Continued):

Mrs. Fischer inquired what the last two items that go into fiscal services were for.

Mr. Swarner stated that it was for a copy machine.

Mrs. Fischer stated that Kenai Central High School has a very large increase.

Mr. Swarner stated that there is a problem with that account. The large increase is due to the three vans that should have come out of last year's money. However, the purchase order did not get processed into the accounting records until July and it was at that time we discovered the auditors had come in with their statement and the funds had been committed. We are asking that the funds be appropriated this year to cover that purchase order as those funds were available out of last year's money.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she is concerned that some of these schools may be hurting.

Mr. Swarner stated that he does not believe any of the schools are hurting.

Dr. Gallaher stated that Mayor Gilman received a letter indicating unanimous endorsement of the bond issue by the Seward Chamber of Commerce. Mayor Gilman and Dr. Gallaher will be interviewed concerning the bond issue on Seward radio in January.

The letter of commendation to the Seward Chamber of Commerce for support of academic excellence, as suggested at the special meeting,

has been written.

Dr. Gallaher stated the President of KPEA raised a question at the November 15 board meeting regarding excessive use of non-certificate substitutes in the Seward schools when certificated teachers are available. Dr. Gallaher informed the board that he had researched the complaint and found the following: 1) There are 23 teachers on the substitute list for the Seward schools of which 7 are certificated and 16 are non-certificated. 2) Five of the certificated group and six of the non-certificated group have substituted this school year. 3) The five certificated have substituted a total of 40½ days. The six non-certificated have substituted a total of 134 days. 4) The principals try to match the substitutes teaching area (expertise) with the teaching area of the absent teacher. 5) There are two regular teachers whose spouses are substitutes. The two spouses have substituted a total of 34 days of 54 days that substitutes have been used.

Dr. Hall stated that a counselors, teachers and administrators workshop on counseling was held at Soldotna Junior High for three consecutive days, December 7, 8, and 9. He added 30 people were in attendance and, in general, the comments on the workshop were good. He added that the workshop opened a number of avenues for teachers, counselors and administrators in looking at the whole concept of Career Education.

SEWARD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:

SEWARD SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS:

COUNSELORS, TEACHERS & ADMINISTRATORS WORKSHOP:

COUNSELORS, TEACHERS & ADMINISTRATORS WORKSHOP: (Continued):

Mrs. Owens inquired if there was anyone that did not like the workshop?

Dr. Hall stated that there were some that didn't feel it was worthwhile, especially at the beginning as they thought it was too elementary, but later changed their opinion.

FISCAL '76 AUDIT REPORT:

Mr. Bill Howard, auditor with Arthur Young and Company, reviewed the audit of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District year ending June 30, 1976.

FINANCIAL REPORT OCTOBER 31:

Mr. Swarner presented the board with the October 31 financial report. He added that all cash transactions and encumbrances for November 1 thru November 15 are reflected in the report.

THREE SMALL SCHOOLS PROJECT:

Mr. Ward stated that there are two architects present at the meeting to present design and development plans of the three small schools project and the addition to the Homer High School.

Mr. Bill Kim presented the design and development plans for the Anchor Point, Tustumena and Sterling additions. He stated that Anchor Point is adding two classrooms with a total of 2,586 square feet at a cost of approximately \$108 per square foot. He stated that the kindergarten room will be on the East side of the building and the classroom will be on the West side. He added that they will try to match the exterior construction as closely as possible.

Mr. Hobart inquired if it was a wood frame with metal skin?

Mr. Kim stated that it was a wood frame with plywood skin.

Mr. Kim stated that the Tustumena School will have a three class-rooms addition. The kindergarten will be in the middle of the addition with the classrooms on each side. There will be 4,704 square feet at an approximate cost of \$114 per square foot.

Mrs. Fischer inquired as to where the addition tied into the main building?

Mr. Hobart stated that it will be at the end opposite the gym.

Mr. Kim stated that the Sterling additions will be to the North of the existing classroom section. He added the construction will be slab-on-grade. The addition will include a classroom, kindergarten room, library, work and storage rooms. There will be 5,315 square feet at an approximate cost of \$110 per square foot.

The three projects have a total square footage of 12,873 for an average cost of \$111 per square foot.

Mr. Hobart inquired if there was any cost differential between the slab and suspended floor?

THREE SMALL SCHOOLS PROJECT (Continued):

Mr. Kim stated that he is unable to answer that question at this time. However, the crawl space would be less costly.

Mr. Ward inquired as to the best bidding time, assuming the bond issue passes.

Mr. Kim stated that he was striving to complete the drawings before the bond issue so he would have the construction documents complete upon passage of the bond. However, he added he has been directed to stop work on the plans. He stated the ideal time for bids would be in February as the State of Alaska will be advertising its work in April.

Mr. Hobart inquired if he could have the drawings completed and ready to go to bid by March 1 after resuming work upon passage of the bond issue.

He replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Hobart stated that without a cost differential he feels it advisable to have the building addition at all three schools with slab-on-grade.

Mrs. Fischer stated that on the Tustumena addition the kindergarten room seems to be in the center of two other classrooms. She inquired if this would not make for some confusion and noise with kindergarten type activities.

Mr. Ward stated that the schematics were sent to Tustumena School to be previewed and the reason for the kindergarten being located there was the easy access to the toilet area.

Mrs. Brower moved to accept the design and development plans with slab-on-grade for Anchor Point, Tustumena, and Sterling additions as submitted and recommend the architect proceed with construction documents pending passage of the bond issue. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

VOTE: YES - Glick, Morris, Owens, Brower, Fischer, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Howard Partch reviewed the plans for the Homer High Addition. He stated that the addition contains 16,832 square feet and the schematic estimate is \$1,875,000. He stated that the figure if bid in April will probably be reduced. However, if bid in May it will increase. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Fischer moved to accept the design and development plans for the Homer High School addition and to recommend that the architect proceed with construction documents. Mrs. Owens seconded.

ACTION

HOMER HIGH:

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HOMER HIGH, ACTION (Continued): .

VOTE: YES - Glick, Owens, Brower, Fischer, Morris, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Gallaher recommended the three students to the Alternate Study Program.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve the three students to the Alternate Study Program as recommended. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she has some concern on the third student as he/she may need some special help.

Dr. Gallaher stated that there are special staff people available for such help.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

Mr. Swarner presented Budget Transfers #76-56, #76-57, #76-58, #76-59, #76-60, #76-61, #76-62, #76-63, #76-64, #76-65, #76-66, #76-67, #76-68, #76-69, #76-70.

#76-56, Seward High School:
from Account #01-042-605-000-441, Operation-Maintenance of PlantRepairs and Maintenance, to Account #01-042-100-000-470, Regular
Instruction, Instructional Media, \$300.00; and
from Account #01-042-100-000-520, Equipment-Replace
to Account #01-042-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$600.00.

#76-57, Correspondence Study: from Account #01-099-180-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-099-180-000-510, Equipment-New, \$4,500.00.

#76-58, Homer High School: from Account #01-006-160-806-470, Vo-Ed - Instructional Media, to Account #01-006-100-000-470, Regular Instruction - Instructional Media, \$400.00

#76-59, Soldotna Jr. High:
from Account #01-012-320-000-470, Guidance Services - Instructional
Media, to Account #01-012-320-000-510, Guidance Services Equipment-New, \$35.00; and
from Account #01-012-100-000-457, Small-Tools Equipment
to Account #01-012-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$431.00.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-60, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-100-500-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-007-100-500-510, Equipment-New, \$400.00; and from Account #01-007-100-500-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-007-100-500-470, Instructional Media, \$200.00.

#76-61, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-160-803-469, Other Supplies, to Account #01-007-160-803-510, Equipment-New, \$67.00.

#76-62, Kenai Central High School:
from Account #01-007-100-900-510, Equipment-New,
to Account #01-007-100-300-451, Teaching Supplies, \$1,400.00;
from Account #01-007-100-900-510, Equipment-New,
to Account #01-007-100-300-510, Equipment-New, \$300.00; and
from Account #01-007-169-900-510, Equipment-New,
to Account #01-007-160-801-510, Equipment-New, \$1,500.00.

#76-63, Soldotna Elementary: from Account #01-043,100-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-043-100-000-451, Small Tools-Equipment, \$1,000.00.

#76-64, Seward Elementary:
from Account #01-042-100-000-520, Equipment-Replace,
to Account #01-042-200-000-520, Special Instruction - EquipmentReplace, \$200.00; and
from Account #01-042-605-000-520, Operation-Maintenance of Plant Equipment-Replace, to Account #01-042-605-000-510 Equipment-New,
\$50.00.

#76-65, English Bay School: from Account #01-034-605-000-458, Gas and Oil, to Account #01-034-515-000-412, Telephone, \$30.00.

#76-66, Seward Elementary School:
from Account #01-042-515-000-510, Equipment-New,
to Account #01-042-420-000-510, Library Services - Equipment-New,
\$200.00.

#76-67, Bob Bartlett School: from Account #01-001-800-000-426, Travel, to Account #01-001-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$150.00.

#76-68, Homer Jr/Sr High School:
from #01-006-320-000-320, Certificated Salaries,
to Account #01-006-800-000-510, Equipment-New, \$5,750.00;
from Account #01-006-800-000-426, Travel,
to Account #01-006-800-000-510, Equipment-New, \$6,000.00; and
from Account #01-006-515-000-510, Equipment-New,
to Account #01-006-800-000-510 Pupil Activity Accounts - Equipment-New, \$1050.00.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-69, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-160-805-320, Certificated Salaries, to Account #01-007-800-000-530, Other Expenses, \$2,880.56.

#76-70, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-160-900-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-007-160-810-510, Equipment-New, \$160.00.

Mrs. Owens moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-56, #76-57, #76-58, #76-59, #76-60, #76-61, #76-62, #76-63, #76-64, #76-65, #76-66, #76-67, #76-68, #76-69 and #76-70 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Swarner stated that the Board of Education did have a budget transfer policy under the old accounting system. However, at the time of conversion to the new system there was no request for a policy change. He stated that there is a management letter from the auditors recommending that transfers between functions and between schools be approved by the Board of Education, and all other transfers be approved by the Superintendent's office. He stated that as a Rule and Regulation, all budget transfer requests must be submitted on Form #76-100 and the appropriate approvals granted prior to encumberance of funds. He added that the transfers can be reviewed by anyone at any time.

Mrs. Fischer requested Mr. Swarner to define function.

Mr. Swarner stated that it would be a transfer such as between Special Education, Regular Instruction, Vo-Ed, Library Services, Operation and Maintenance of Plant. Pupil Activities, etc.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the building administrator could request a transfer within a function without the approval of the director?

Mr. Swarner stated that it would still need the approval of the Superintendent. However, the building administrator does make the decision as to what to do with his funds. He added that it is difficult to isolate any one segment of the school system.

Mrs. Fischer moved to add to the Budget Transfer Policy presented by the administration, that the board be given a copy of the transfers approved by the Superintendent at the next regular meeting of the Board of Education. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION

BUDGET TRANSFER POLICY:

NEW CONSTRUCTION FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT:

ACTION

BUS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS:

ACTION

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1977-78:

ACTION

Mr. Kirkpatrick recommended approval of purchases of furniture and equipment for Nikolaevsk Elementary School at an approximate cost of \$661.90; Soldotna Elementary School at an approximate cost of \$4,742.78; Bob Bartlett School at an approximate cost of \$1,551.73; East Homer Elementary School at an approximate cost of \$304.98; and Kenai Central High School at an approximate cost of \$9,024.44.

Mr. Glick moved to approve the purchases of furniture and equipment as outlined by Mr. Kirkpatrick. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Glick, Brower, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kirkpatrick referred to a letter from the State Department of Education stating that before going to bus contract negotiations the Board must receive proposals. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he would recommend the board direct the administration to proceed with three year proposals, and as an alternative five year proposals

Dr. Gallaher recommended the board authorize Mr. Kirkpatrick to prepare specifications for receiving of proposals for transportation for the beginning of the 1977-78 school year for a period of three and of five years. Upon receipt of same, the proposals will be analyzed and negotiations initiated.

Mrs. Owens moved that the board direct Mr. Kirkpatrick to prepare specifications for receiving of proposals for transportation for the beginning of the 1977-78 school year for a period of three and of five years. Upon receipt of same, analyze the proposals and initiate negotiations. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Fischer stated that the calendar committee met on November 23 and after posting and publishing the calendar in the paper and at schools, the committee received five comments regarding it. One suggestion was to have the two teacher days which are at the beginning of school separated, with one later in September. She stated, however, that the majority of people were happy with the calendar as submitted to the board. She stated the first student day is August 31 and the last student day is May 26.

Mrs. Owens moved to accept the 1977-78 school calendar as submitted by the calendar committee. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

BOB BARTLETT SENIOR CLASS TRIP:

ACTION

ENROLLMENTS STAFFING PTR FORMULA:

ACTION

STATE FACILITIES PROJECT:

Dr. Gallaher referred to a letter received from Dr. Myers, Principal at Bob Bartlett School, requesting approval of a four day trip to Seattle for the senior class. He stated that only one out of the five seniors have been out of the state of Alaska. While in Seattle the seniors plan to visit scientific, medical and cultural centers. Financing the trip will be accomplished by the class applying for a JOM grant in the amount of \$1,000. Should this application be denied, the trip will be cancelled. The remainder of the cost of the trip is estimated to be \$1,500 which will be raised by the senior class. Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of the trip.

Mrs. Morris moved to approve the request of the Bob Bartlett senior class for a four day trip to Seattle. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the board has, in the agenda packet, materials regarding staffing. As indicated the staff is determined by the PTR formula (pupil-teacher ratio). He added, however, that there are some staff members that are not determined by this formula. He stated there are 22 chief building administrators, 4 vice-principals, 263 classroom teachers, 27 vocational education teachers, and 27 special education teachers for a total of 343 certificated positions. The 343 projected for the next school year compares to 342 for the present school year. Projected enrollment for next year is 5,549 as compared with 5,373 actual this year. He stated that these enrollment projections are conservative and also the staffing as it applies to the school buildings. He added the enrollments and staffing provided building administrators, will be reviewed from time to time and an attempt will be made to develop more precise figures as the end of the school year draws closer. We will take into consideration unique situations; building arrangements, patterns of organization, and additional staff will be provided where justified to the extent that money is available. He stated there are ten teacher positions unallocated. He recommended the board accept the figures as presented for next years operation, subject to the review and changes as noted.

Mrs. Fischer moved to accept the Enrollments, Staffing and PTR Formula recommendations for the 1977-78 school year as presented. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Mrs. Fischer requested an example of staff not included in the PTR formula.

Dr. Gallaher stated the counselor program and the district-wide special education personnel as examples.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Glick stated that at the Regional Resource Executive Board Meeting last week, Dr. Stamm was requested to write a proposal for a grant from the federal government, for the purpose of gathering information relative to educational programs that have been tested, documented and demonstrated effective. He stated that the State

STATE FACILITIES PROJECT (Continued):

Department of Education supports the proposal and the resource center is requesting all the school districts that are members of the resource center to endorse the proposal by a resolution. Mr. Glick recommended adoption of the following resolution: "The Board of Education of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District, a member of the Southcentral Regional Resource Center, has been informed of the State Facilitator Project being proposed by the Southcentral Regional Resource Center, Anchorage, Alaska. The Board encourages and supports the development of this project and the cooperative efforts of Regional Resource Centers."

Mrs. Fischer moved to support and adopt the resolution as outlined by Mr. Glick. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he received a communication from Mr. Bruce Forster, 3rd grade teacher at East Homer Elementary, stating that due to illness and hospitalization he was absent from school 12.51 days in excess of his accumulated sick leave. Mr. Forster requested approval of days from the sick leave bank, for his absence from school for illness beyond his accumulated sick leave, which is for the period October 21 through November 19, and 1/2 days each on November 22, 23, and 24, 1976. Dr. Gallaher recommended approval for 13 days from the sick leave bank for Bruce Forster, subject to concurrence by the KPEA. He added that the sick leave bank is administered jointly by the Board of Education and KPEA.

Mr. Glick moved to approve the request for 13 days draw from the sick leave bank for Bruce Forster, subject to concurrence by KPEA. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that last school year the Nikolaevsk School children were transported under a special grant from an external entity aside from the regular school bus transportation budget, and to some degree set precedence for action to continue transporting those children from outlying villages to the village where the school is located. He had requested direction from the Department of Education concerning this matter and received a communication from Mr. Grieser, State Director of Transportation, saying, "I would suggest you first explore in-lieu-of agreements. If this does not work, you could explore the possibility of another conveyance route which would call for a vehicle other than a regular school bus. As you know, the latter could be handled on a regular contract or district operated." Mr. Kirkpatrick stated he did pursue a couple of avenues and would recommend to the board that a resident of the village be approved for transporting 22 children 9.6 miles daily at a cost of \$15 per day or \$1.56 per mile for the remaining 133 days retroactive to November 8.

Mr. Glick inquired if this person had insurance?

ACTION

SICK LEAVE BANK DRAW:

ACTION

NIKOLAEVSK TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT:

NIKOLAEVSK
TRANSPORTATION
CONTRACT (Continued):

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that a copy of his existing insurance has been requested. However, it has not been received. He added it will be tentatively approved until a copy of the insurance papers have been received.

Mr. Hobart inquired if the vehicle would have to undergo a state inspection.

Mr. Kirkpatrick replied negatively.

Mr. Hobart inquired the condition of the vehicle.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that Mr. Moore, head teacher of Nikolaevsk, has no qualms about the condition of the vehicle.

Mrs. Brower moved to approve the contract for the Nikolaevsk School, for bussing 22 children 9.6 miles daily for the remaining 133 days at \$1.56 per mile. Mr. Glick seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Brower, Morris, Glick, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Glick recommended the board endorse Mrs. Donnis Thompson, by letter to the governor, for appointment to the Board of Regents for the University of Alaska.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she noticed in a letter the board received, that the College Advisory Board did not endorse the bond issue and she feels the person on the Board of Regents should be pro-education in general. She added that she was concerned that Mrs. Thompson has a negative attitude toward something as vital as the bond issue.

Mr. Ward stated that the Kenai Peninsula Community College Advisory Board had a meeting at the same time we held our special meeting on December 9, and as he understands it the College Advisory Board would like to further study the matter before making a decision regarding the bond issue.

Mr. Glick moved to endorse Mrs. Donnis Thompson, by letter to the governor, for appointment to the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Brower, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hobart inquired if Mr. Kirkpatrick was aware of how the student activity busses at Homer were being used at the present time? He inquired if the busses were going home at night with teachers or being housed at school.

ACTION

GENERAL PURPOSE: BOARD OF REGENTS:

ACTION

HOMER JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL VANS:

HOMER JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL VANS (Continued):

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he is only aware of what is in writing and of the revised delination of operation and control of those vans.

Mr. Hobart stated that he had some inquiries from the lower end of the peninsula concerning the activity busses being used to take basketball players home who live out of town. He inquired if this was the normal procedure, and if money was coming out of the student activity funds to pay for this travel.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he was unaware of the situation.

Mr. Hobart stated that he didn't think that was the intended use of a bus when the board approved it. He asked that Mr. Kirkpatrick check into the situation as it is creating problems.

**BUDGETS IN LIBRARIES:** 

Mrs. Fischer stated that she noticed with great pleasure that the Borough budget has been placed in the libraries on the peninsula. She suggested the school board do the same. She added that since the budget is a public document she thinks it well advised to place a copy in each public library. She added that the funds not used for the board convention in Kodiak due to the absence of Mrs. Cannava and herself could be transferred from that account to cover the cost.

ACTION

Mrs. Fischer moved that a copy of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District's Budget be placed in each public library on the peninsula. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Justin Maile stated that from the report he received regarding the Kenai Peninsula Community College Advisory Board meeting Donnis Thompson was definitely against the bond proposal as were Hylen and Monfor.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she feels the peninsula does need someone on the Board of Regents and perhaps we can set the example of being for the whole peninsula and hope others follow suite.

ADJOURN:

At 10:07 P.M., by general consent of the board, the school board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The Minutes of December 13, 1976, were approved as written on

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### KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

#### January 3, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instruction

Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Burton Carver
Mr. Paul Fischer
Mr. Patrick O'Connell
Mrs. Katherine Parker
Mr. Justin Maile
Mr. Stan Friese
Mr. Kris Rogers
Mr. Richard Skinner
Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present
Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present
Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Carl Glick Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of December 9, 1976, were approved as written.

The school board minutes of December 13, 1976, were approved as written.

CITY OF SOLDOTNA:

Mr. Hobart stated that he received a resolution from Lorraine Knight, Soldotna City Mayor, stating that the Council of the City of Soldotna endorsed the \$19,819,000 bond issue on the January 25, 1977 election.

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ENGLISH BAY & PORT GRAHAM MEETING ON HIGH SCHOOL:

Dr. Gallaher reported that he and Dr. Hall attended meetings on December 16, 1976, of School Advisory Committees and Teachersin-Charge at English Bay and Port Graham. The purpose of the meetings was to develop plans for a secondary high school, grades 9. 10. 11 & 12. at English Bay and a partial secondary high school, grades 9 & 10, at Port Graham for the 1977-78 school year. He stated six items were agreed upon: (1) Secondary programs at each school will comply with the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District graduation requirements. (2) An additional secondary teacher must be employed at Port Graham and English Bay. (3) The curricular program may be supplemented through the use of supervised correspondence study during the school day. (4) The employment, part time, of community emergency or recognized experts with Department of Education certification, plus teacher aides may be necessary particularly for the practical arts, creative arts and bilingual-bicultural portions of the curriculum. (5) All students will remain in the attendance area. The boarding home program will not be an option except in extreme situations and with approval of the District Superintendent of Schools or Superintendent. Instructional Services. (6) For the first three years of the instructional program, the Department of Education, State of Alaska, will receive a copy of the annual program approved by the Board of Education and a copy of the annual evaluations of each of the programs.

He added that additional meetings will be scheduled throughout this school year with the Teachers-in-Charge and School Advisory Committees for the purposes of communication, further delineation of curricular offerings and establishment of high schools in accordance with the October 1976 decisions of the School Advisory Committees in each village.

Mr. Hobart inquired as the number of students who would be involved?

Dr. Gallaher stated the maximum number of students at English Bay is nine, and the maximum at Port Graham is between two and five students.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if the state sets aside funds to implement these secondary programs.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the school district will receive a foundation unit for each secondary school.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if this would pay for the teachers.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the foundation units would pay the teachers' salaries and other items of expense. He stated the district receives \$25,000 for each foundation unit.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if there were facilities available at the schools for this program?

Dr. Gallaher stated that Mr. Ward will report on that later in the evening. However, at this point, the district does not plan to build any facilities, but renovation will occur. KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING January 3, 1977 Page 3

BOND ISSUE PROMOTIONS:

Dr. Gallaher stated that a communication concerning bond issue promotion was mailed to building administrators with a resume of activities that have been planned for promoting the bond issue. He stated that the effort delineated is directed primarily at parents, excepting for the calendar which shows a number of groups with which several office personnel will be meeting. He added that this information is provided the Board of Education to solicit suggestions or areas of omission which should be brought to his attention. He added that he is personally concerned that the voters be informed concerning the bond issue, and that he wants them to vote on January 25 on the basis of knowledge and understanding of this proposition and the necessity of it as seen by the administration and the Board of Education for the continuance of good education in the Kenai Peninsula School System.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward reported that the wall at Soldotna Elementary was installed during the Christmas vacation. Further, that the wall is not relocatable as was in the original plan but a solid wall. Mr. Ward stated that he and Ed Hackert visited English Bay and Port Graham and stopped at eleven schools to review the capital requests and needs for next year. He added that if Mr. Hackert is employed by the Borough, they will visit the other eleven schools to obtain the same information. He stated there is a full basement under the building at English Bay School. Part of it is a storage room and a small section is a boiler room. However, there is a large area, about 2/3 of the building that is wasted space. This basement area has been discussed for a few years but the fire marshal will not consent to its use in its present condition. He stated that one of the problems, even if two exits are installed, is that a sprinkler system may be required. With the school and the whole village on the same water supply it is questionable whether there would be enough pressure to run the sprinklers. The Port Graham facility is adequate for the addition of the secondary program. However, living quarters for another teacher must be provided. The present teacherage was designed so an apartment could be added to the basement. A councilman of Port Graham has informed us that an office building with apartments is planned for Port Graham.

The model of the Soldotna High School has been displayed in the mall the past week and will be displayed in the Soldotna Post Office for the remainder of this week, then placed in the local schools for a few days until January 25. Bill Kim will be presenting drawings for the three small schools project to the Borough Assembly on Tuesday, and Howard Partch will be presenting the plans for the Homer addition.

TYONEK OPEN HOUSE:

Mr. Ward reported that the open house for the Tyonek School addition will be held on Sunday, January 9, 1977, at 1:00 P.M. He added that this is an appropriate time for the board members to meet the village people, teaching staff and logging camp families, and to see the need for remodeling of the Home Economics facility. He requested board members wishing to attend the open house to inform him after the meeting so travel arrangements can be made.

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FINANCIAL REPORT & AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS:

Mr. Swarner reported that the November 30 financial report needs an explanation. There are no revenues for student activity funds in the revenue portion of the special funds. However, on the next page the expenditure guidelines reports the pupil activity fund, which is the 31 listed; and all the expenditures which show a bracketed figure ends with a budget balance that is in the black. He stated it is necessary to enter the revenues as a negative figure in the expenditure column in order to handle the student activity funds on the data processing system and to maintain the balances by each individual fund in the school. In other words, there are \$19,012.76 more revenue than there are expenditures. He stated that at the end of the year the board will receive a report which details all revenues and expenditures for the year and they will appear in the audit report. He added that this will not happen on the monthly financial report, as these funds are not budgeted and the fund is geared to the revenues that each individual organization raises. He stated that attached to the financial report is the management letter from the Arthur Young Company plus a memorandum from himself, stating the status of each of their recommendations. Recommendations were made on the student activity funds, grant funds, budget transfers, and personal telephone calls. We are in the process of exercising one of the options regarding student activity funds. Also we are complying with the auditors recommendation on the handling of personal telephone calls. We will request copies of the source documents of the R.S.V.P. program to be attached to a monthly summary report from the school.

Dr. Hall reported that for the last several months the Health Services Program throughout the district has been discussed concerning the ratio of students with Home Counselors. As of December 17, 1976, there is one Home Counselor serving Sears Elementary, Kenai Elementary and North Kenai Elementary at a ratio of 1 - 950 students. There is one Home Counselor serving Kenai Central High and North Kenai at a ratio of 1 - 1010 students; one Home Counselor serving Kenai Junior High and Sears Elementary at a ratio of 1 - 823 students; one Home Counselor serving Soldotna Elementary and Ninilchik at a ratio of 1 - 703 students; one Home Counselor serving Soldotna Junior High, Sterling Elementary and Tustumena at a ratio of 1 - 538 students; one Home Counselor serving East Homer, Homer Jr/Sr High, Anchor Point, and Nikolaevsk at a ratio of 1 - 894 students; one Home Counselor serving the Seward Elementary, Seward High, Cooper Landing and Moose Pass schools at a ratio of 1 - 519 students. The total result indicates that it is feasible for one Home Counselor to serve up to approximately 800 students when that individual is serving one school. For a Home Counselor to serve two or three schools with twenty to thirty miles distance between schools, the ratio should be reduced in order to provide the proper health services. Dr. Hall recommended the board consider funding an additional full-time equivalent Home Counselor in the district for the second semester.

HOME COUNSELOR:

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ACTION

HOME COUNSELOR (Continued): Mrs. Cannava moved that the board approve the hiring of one additional full-time equivalent Home Counselor for the district for the second semester. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Glick, Brower, Morris, Owens, Cannava, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT **NEW CONSTRUCTION:** 

Mr. Kirkpatrick recommended board approval for furniture and equipment purchases for Nikolaevsk School in the amount of \$1,775.47, and for Kenai Central High School in the amount of \$7,420.64. He stated that on the list as presented for Kenai Central High School, no items have been prepurchased nor bid.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the Nikolaevsk items were prepurchased.

Mr. Kirkpatrick replied in the affirmative.

Mrs. Fischer inquired as to the reason for the prepurchases.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated the reason was due to the demands of the various programs for the items.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she is concerned that there is a problem apparently with prepurchasing, and it seems like the board is being asked to sign things carte blanc, and she doesn't think that is what they were elected to do. If the board has questions, for example the polaroid camera for Nikolaevsk -- why did they want it, in what type of program is it being used, or is this something that is really not necessary -- it seems irrelevant to question an item after being purchased. She expressed her concern that the board should have a work session to establish a policy on these purchases.

Mr. Glick inquired if the Kenai Central High School purchase of furniture was for the Home Economics class.

Mr. Kirkpatrick replied in the affirmative.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the purchases of furniture and equipment as itemized for Nikolaevsk in the amount of \$1,775.47, and for Kenai Central High School in the amount of \$7,420.64. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he would recommend that the Board of Education approve these purchases. He stated that if there is to be a change in the policy or procedure that should be enunciated before purchases have been made. He also pointed out that the total expenditures for equipment, new and replaced, purchased with board funds, exceeds these dollars many times and they are not approved by the Board of Education other than the board approving it in the appropriation when the budget is developed.

YES - Brower, Glick, Owens, Cannava, Hobart NO - Fischer, Morris

Motion carried.

BUDGET TRANSFER POLICY:

Mr. Swarner stated that this is the second time the Budget
Transfer Policy has been presented to the Board of Education and
pursant to the Board's comment at the December 13 meeting the
policy originally submitted was revised. The Budget Transfer
Policy reads as follows: "All budget transfers between schools
and between functions must be approved by the Board of Education.
All other budget transfers must be approved by the Superintendent's
Office and a copy submitted to the Board of Education." The
Administrative Rule and Regulation reads: "All budget transfer
requests must be submitted on Form #73-100 and the appropriate
approvals granted prior to the encumberance of funds."

Mrs. Fischer stated that according to the minutes of the December 13 meeting the amendment to the Budget Transfer Policy was that a copy must be submitted to the Board of Education at the next regular meeting.

Mrs. Owens moved to approve the Budget Transfer Policy as follows: "All budget transfers between schools and between functions must be approved by the Board of Education. All other budget transfers must be approved by the Superintendent's office and a copy submitted to the Board of Education at its next regular scheduled meeting." Also to be approved is the Administrative Rules and Regulations as follows: "All budget transfer requests must be submitted on Form #73-100 and the appropriate approvals granted prior to the encumberance of funds." Mrs. Fischer seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Swarner stated that the board will be aware if a budget transfer is missing as they are numerically sequenced.

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfers #76-71 thru #76-77.

#76-71, Nikolaevsk Elementary School: from Account #01-038-420-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-038-515-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$133.00.

#76-72, This budget transfer is to balance the budget, correct an error in the original budget, and to balance out those accounts that show a deficit budget. Refer to memorandum dated December 16, 1976, to the Board of Education from Richard Swarner, Finance Director, and/or School Board Packet of January 3, 1977.

#76-73, Soldotna Elementary School: from Account #01-043-100-000-470, Instructinal-Media, to Account #01-043-515-000-510, Equipment-New, \$500.00; and from Account #01-043-100-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-043-605-000-453, Janitorial Supplies, \$500.00.

ACTION

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-74, This budget transfer is necessary to adjust the salary accounts to reflect the salaries paid and negotiations approved by the Board for classified and administrative personnel. Refer to memorandum dated December 17, 1976, to the Board of Education from Richard Swarner, Finance Director, and/or School Board Packet of January 3, 1977.

#76-75, Bob Bartlett School: from Account #01-001-160-808-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-001-160-808-470, Instructional Media, \$157.00.

#76-76, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-160-702-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-007-160-702-470, Instructional Media, \$750.00.

#76-77, Ninilchik School: from Account #01-002-160-808-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-002-160-808-451, Teaching Supplies, \$300.00; and from Account #01-002-160-808-520 Equipment-Replace, to Account #01-002-160-808-451, Teaching Supplies, \$300.00.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-71, #76-72, #76-73, #76-74, #76-75, #76-76, and #76-77 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mr. Glick seconded.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if there was a reason why in #76-74 several of the transfer go to discretional accounts rather than to salary accounts.

Mr. Swarner stated the reason for that is that in some instances additional staff were added to take care of enrollments and it was necessary to add the discretional funds to take care of the additional staff. In other words, the discretional funds in this budget transfer match the staff hired.

Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Carried unanimously

Dr. Gallaher stated that Ms. Karen DiGiorgio, teacher in the Nikolaevsk Elementary School, has requested days from the sick leave bank to cover her absence from school for illness not covered by her accumulated sick leave through December 8, 1976. Ms. DiGiorgio's sick leave day deficiency amounts to 12.9 days. Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of 13 days from the sick leave bank for Karen DiGiorgio, subject to concurrence by the KPEA. He stated that the sick leave bank is administered jointly by the Board of Education and KPEA.

Mrs. Brower moved to approve the request for 13 days draw from the sick leave bank for Karen DiGiorgio, subject to concurrence by KPEA. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION

SICK LEAVE BANK:

ACTION

RESIGNATIONS:

ACTION '

RECESS:

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

ACTION

KPEA NEGOTIATIONS PROCEDURE:

Dr. Gallaher recommended accepting the resignations of Burt Juhala, Elementary teacher, Susan B. English, effective December 22, 1976, and Colleen Regan, Special Services, Language Arts, Susan B. English, effective December 15, 1976.

Mr. Glick moved to accept the resignations of Burt Juhala, Elementary teacher, Susan B. English, effective December 22, 1976, and Colleen Regan, Special Services, Language Arts, Susan B. English, effective December 15, 1976. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

At 7:55 P.M., by general consent of the board, a short recess was called.

At 8:07 P.M., the board reconvened in regular session.

Dr. Gallaher recommended contracts for Mark Newton, Special Education, Language Arts, 103 days, Susan B. English, effective January 3, 1977, and Edward Becker, Special Education, 88 days, Kenai Junior High School, effective January 24, 1977.

Mr. Glick moved to approve contracts for Mark Newton, Special Education, Language Arts, 103 days, Susan B. English, effective January 3, 1977; and Edward Becker, Special Education, 88 days, Kenai Junior High School, effective January 24, 1977, as recommended. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education and the Kenai Peninsula Education Association met on December 18, 1976, to establish negotiations ground rules and to exchange proposals.

Two meetings of the negotiations teams will be held, one on January 12 and one on January 18 at 7:00 P.M., for the purposes of understanding and clarifying the contents of each proposal. One marathon negotiations session will be held, beginning at 8:00 A.M. on February 12, 1977, and continuing to midnight on February 13, 1977, unless agreement is obtained earlier. The Association's negotiation package and the board's negotiations package are available to the public for perusal at the Board of Education Office, Borough Building, Soldotna. All three negotiations sessions will be private with only the two negotiations teams and their respective consultants present.

Dr. Gallaher indicated that several people have reviewed the proposals of both the board and KPEA.

CLASSIFIED & PAA SALARY COMMITTEES APPOINTMENT:

Mr. Hobart appointed Mr. Glick, chairman, Mrs. Owens, Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Ward to serve on the classified salary committee representing the Board of Education.

Mr. Hobart appointed Mr. Glick, chairman, Mrs. Brower, Mrs. Fischer and Dr. Gallaher to serve on the PAA salary committee representing the Board of Education.

Dr. Gallaher added that each committee may have consultants.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall stated that there are two students requesting placement on the Alternate Study Program. He stated that the first student, age 15, wishes to be placed on the Alternate Study Program due to medical reasons. The second student, age 16, is a drop-out and would like to complete the state requirements for graduation by being placed on the Alternate Study Program. Based upon discussion with the parents and students, he recommended approval of the two students to be placed on the Alternate Study Program.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the two students to the Alternate Study Program as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PURPOSE:

Mrs. Fischer stated that she would like to have a work session concerning a policy for the purchase of capital equipment.

Mr. Hobart recommended January 10th as a date for the work session.

Mr. Hobart inquired about work sessions for the budget.

Dr. Gallaher informed him that the budget is not ready at this time.

Mr. Swarner stated that it is administratively being pulled together.

Mr. Hobart inquired when the budget would be ready for the board's consideration.

Dr. Gallaher stated the 24th or possibly the 17th of January.

Mr. Hobart suggested setting a tentative workshop on the 24th.

Dr. Hall stated that he will be attending a week long meeting beginning January 23 - 25 in Anchorage with the State Department of Education to review the new Rules and Regulations as established by the State Board of Education for accreditation of all public schools in the State of Alaska. He added that they will be developing the basic guidelines and following the procedure as outlined for establishing the accreditation program.

Mr. Ward stated that there is a problem with the drain field at Moose Pass. The maintenance crew was there last week, and after digging a portion of it up, it was obvious that it was not installed according to specifications. He added that we may be moving the

GENERAL PURPOSE (Continued):

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Russian Village port-a-potties to Moose Pass.

Mr. Ward informed the board of three break-ins over the Christmas vacation. The break-ins occurred at North Kenai, Tustumena and Homer, and the exact count of the damage has not been determined at this time.

Mr. Burton Carver stated that every three years he comes before the Board of Education to discuss school bus contracts for the next three years. Mr. Carver stated that on March 9, 1971, the school district received state regulations concerning school bus contracts which stated that these contracts may be awarded by bids or negotiations, at the discretion of the Board of Education, for periods of three years or less. He stated that he requested of the state to negotiate from July 1, 1973. Mr. Kirkpatrick received a letter from Nat Cole, Director of Administrative Services in Juneau setting up criteria for negotiating, leaving the option of proposals. From that contracts were negotiated starting early in September 1973, and concluding on November 19, 1973. The duration was to be from July 1, 1974 to July 1, 1977. He stated that his current school bus contract, which expires in June, provides that renewal is by a simple negotiation. Mr. Carver stated that he visited Ken Grieser's office of the State Department of Education last June when he negotiated rates for this year, and he said the school board would have to honor the contract; then he came back to Mr. Kirkpatrick and said maybe not, and then no.

Mr. Kirkpatrick indicated that he was present when Mr. Grieser said the school board would have to honor the negotiation stipulation in the contract.

Mr. Carver stated that in the last three years he has purchased 25 busses, having a total fleet of 75 at the present time. He indicated that if the busses were not running they would have to be sold. Mr. Carver stated that there may be some proposals that come in that he would not be able to live with. He could not afford to lose anything for a year, whereas some companies could. He questioned whether it was fair to save the state a few dollars and put him out of business.

Mr. Carver recommended that the school board's attorney and his attorney meet to settle disputes on contract interpretation. Mr. Hobart stated that the funds are received from the State Department of Education for bus transportation and, therefore, they have the prerogative to dictate the rules.

Dr. Gallaher stated that part of the difficulty is in Mr. Carver's interpretation of the contract and the State's interpretation. He added that the school board is well aware that funds are received from the State Department of Education for transportation and if they fail to comply with state regulations, funds will have to come out of the district.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS (Continued):

Mr. Hobart stated that Mr. Carver's attorney should talk to the State Department of Education in Juneau, and added that when he negotiated with the state for rate increases for this school year he ignored the Board of Education and negotiated directly with the state, so that indicates the Department of Education takes what he has to say quite heavily.

ADJOURN:

At 8:45 P.M., by general consent of the board, the school board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Jerry Hobart, Presiden

Mrs. Carolyn Qannava, Clerk

The Minutes of January 3, 1977, were approved as written on January 17, 1977.



## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

January 17, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instruction

Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Paul Fischer
Mr. Patrick O'Connell

Mr. Tommy Corr Mr. Justin Maile

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mrs. Richard Skinner
Mrs. Bobbie Glendenning
Mrs. Judy Dragseth

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Hobart acknowledged the students from the Kenai Central High School Government class.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present
Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present
Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Carl Glick Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The school board minutes of January 3, 1977, were approved as written.

DR. JOHN WILSEY, DIRECTOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE:

Dr. John Wilsey, Director of the Kenai Peninsula Community College, read a resolution to the Board of Education stating that the Policy Advisory Council of the Community College expresses its support for the Bond Issue Election currently being sponsored by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Schools, and further urges the passage of the Bond Issue by the voting constituency at the election to be held on January 25, 1977. He added that this was a unanimous decision of those present at the Policy Advisory Council meeting.

AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION:

Dr. Gallaher stated that he received a communication from the American Arbitration Association indicating that the board's member of the mediation panel and KPEA's member have agreed on Mr. Nesbett, Anchorage Attorney, to be the third member of that panel. He added that previously Mr. Nesbett's fee was misquoted and that he charges \$75 an hour rather than \$60 an hour.

NIKOLAEVSK SCHOOL:

Dr. Gallaher stated that there was a fire at the Russian Village school last night.

Mr. Ed Hakert stated that we nearly lost the Nikolaevsk School last night, but fortunately the fire put itself out. He stated that the boiler overheated and at the present time, no one has any idea as to the cause of the problem. However, the boiler base pipe, in the process of overheating, partially melted and came loose from the front of the boiler causing the flames to produce a tremendous amount of heat in the boiler room, melting the electrical conduit to the boiler and the solder from the sweat joints in the fuel line causing a large deposit of fuel on the floor. He stated that the paint is charred on the ceiling significantly, indicating there was extreme heat from the flames. He added that when the fuel lines broke, this may have doused the flames and thereby extinguished the fire. He stated this may be under warranty or it may be covered under insurance. He stated that he would be in contact with State Mechanical and the electrical contractor. He stated the building will probably operate with the one section of the two sectional boiler. If State Mechanical has the parts, they will be able to put the boiler back on line within two days.

Mr. Hobart inquired if the boiler had only the standard one high limit switch on it?

Mr. Hakert stated he believed so.

Mr. Hobart stated that is evidently what malfunctioned.

Mr. Hakert stated that he did not know what was responsible for the malfunction and that it would take a little more research.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the school will be closed at least until Thursday, and it will be necessary for the students and teachers to make up the days missed by extention of the school day, extending the school year, or going to school on Saturday.

HOME COUNSELOR:

Dr. Hall stated that as the result of the board's approval of the equivalent of a full-time Home Counselor Nursing Services for the district, he did meet with the Supervisor for Nursing Services and Dr. Gallaher concerning the redistribution of the Home Counselor-student ratios in the district. As a result of this meeting we have advertised a position for an additional half-time Home Counselor for the North Kenai School and an additional half-time Home Counselor for the Homer area. The redistribution is as follows: The Home Counselor serving Sears and North Kenai will have approximately 591 students, and with the additional half-time Home Counselor

HOME COUNSELOR (Continued):

TITLE IVA EVALUATION TEAM:

RIGHT TO READ:

we will return the Home Counselor to full-time at the High School and at Kenai Junior High School, which will give the Kenai Central High School Home Counselor approximately 669 students and the Kenai Junior High School Home Counselor 493 students. One of our Home Counselors has been serving Soldotna Elementary and also Therefore, that Home Counselor will remain at the Soldotna Elementary School and will have a ratio of 546 students. The Home Counselor serving Soldotna Junior High, Sterling, and Tustumena will maintain a ratio of approximately 538 students. additional half-time Home Counselor in the Homer area will provide services to East Homer Elementary and Homer Jr/Sr for one full-time person, and the other half-time serving the Anchor Point, Nikolaevsk and Ninilchik area. In the Seward area the Home Counselor will continue to serve the Seward Elementary, Seward High, Cooper Landing and Moose Pass schools with approximately 519 students. The halftime Home Counselor at North Kenai will serve 341 students, giving us a better Home Counselor student-ratio throughout the district.

Dr. Hall reported that the Title IVA, Indian Education Program, which provides instructional aides in bi-cultural and bi-lingual services in the district, has been funded the last two years at a level between \$100,000 and \$128,000. It was planned this year, since we are funded directly from Washington, D.C., for the program to be evaluated. Last week the evaluator from Washington, D.C., was here reviewing the program, and as an end result he considered the program to be in excellent shape. However, the individual was unable to fly to Port Graham and English Bay due to weather conditions. He added that the evaluator requested the administration to take a look at all of our federal monies. Title I. Title IVA. and whatever JOM funds, to see that the funds are compatible and that there is a correlation between the programs, but not duplication. He added that he informed the evaluator that this was the direction of the board, and in those areas in which we do not receive federal funds the district is providing the additional services.

Dr. Hall reported that we have been working for several months on the Four State Consortium which involves the Right to Read Concept. He stated that Mr. Jim Gorman has been actively involved with the district's teaching staff and local administrators, and on January 13, Dr. Lois Roth, Director of the Four State Consortium and Ann Mathews, Research Analyst for the Northwest Lab of Seattle, were here to meet additional members of the staff and review the goals and needs assessment that have been developed and relate to them the role of the Northwest Regional Educational Lab in supplying the necessary information of basic research in the area of reading. There were approximately twenty certificated employees in attendance and these teachers will work with the total certificated staff for implementation of the program.

CONSTRUCTION:

Dr. Gallaher reported that the monies not utilized for the addition to the Bob Bartlett School may be used for remodeling and renovating the wooden structure across from the Bob Bartlett School, which was viewed by some of the board members at the Tyonek open house, into a home economics facility. He stated that as a result of an inspection held at the Sterling Elementary School, use of the foyer for band practice is prohibited as it obstructs the corridor. He added that if other arrangements cannot be made, the instrumental program may be curtailed. He stated that presently, a special education class is being held in a storage closet. David Spence, Chief, Department of Health and Social Services, requested that the district install fluoridation equipment in the water at the Nikolaevsk School. Dr. Gallaher stated that this has not been done in the past in any of our schools and that if this is the desire of the community, that said system should be installed in the village supply of water to each individual home.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall stated that there are two students requesting placement in the Alternate Study Program. The first young lady, age 7, reads at the 7th grade level, is at an approximate 3rd grade level in math and 6th grade level in spelling. He added that after discussing the requests with both parents and students he would recommend approval to the Alternate Study Program.

ACTION

Mrs. Fischer moved to approve the two students to the Alternate Study Program as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfers #76-78, #76-80, #76-81, and #76-87.

#76-78, Seward High School:
from Account #01-008-200-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-008-200-000-470, Instructional Media, \$300.00;
from Account #01-008-200-000-457, Small Tools-Equipment, to
Account #01-008-160-808-451, Teaching Supplies, \$150.00;
from Account #01-008-160-702-412, Telephone, to
Account #01-008-160-808-451, Teaching Supplies, \$400.00;
from Account #01-008-605-000-510, Equipment-New, to
Account #01-008-605-000-453, Janitorial Supplies, \$300.00; and
from Account #01-008-160-702-412, Telephone, to
Account #01-008-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$618.00.

#76-80, Soldotna Elementary School: from Account #01-043-100-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-043-605-009-441, Repairs and Maintenance, \$450.00.





BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-81, Homer High School: from Account #01-006-515-000-469, Other Supplies, to Account #01-006-515-000-510, Equipment-New, \$273.00; from Account #01-006-515-000-454, Office Supplies, to Account #01-006-515-000-510, Equipment-New, \$200.00; and from Account #01-006-515-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-006-160-8016-510, Equipment-New, \$85.00.

#76-87, Nikolaevsk Elementary School: from Account #01-099-410-000-530, Other Expenses, to Account #01-038-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$50.00.

Mr. Swarner stated that instances where there are transfers between the same function and also transfers between different functions on the same transfer, he would prefer that the board approve the total transfer rather than separating the items.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-68, #76-80, #76-81, and #76-87 as outlined by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the administration was requested to develog a procedure to present to the Board of Education for evaluation, discussion, change, and hopefully, approval for the purchase of equipment for new facilities. The procedure contains a definition of equipment which is in conformance with Alaska Department of Education Uniform Chart of Account for School Districts and Account Code Descriptions. It also provides for preparation of a list of the equipment by name and quantity that would be purchased for a new facility and provides for the development of supplemental lists in case some items on the initial list are missed and need to be added. The procedure provides that such lists, after development, will be submitted to the Board of Education for evaluation and approval, where upon it will be provided to Borough officials for their information. It also speaks to the purchasing of the items of equipment after the list has been approved by the Board of Education, and provides for an accounting of the monies, equipment, etc. with any unused monies being refunded to the Borough.

Mrs. Fischer stated that the definition of equipment is according to the Uniform Chart of Codes for school districts, which would mean it is according to the differentation between equipment which would be 510, and 451 which would be teaching supplies. Is that correct?

Dr. Gallaher replied in the affirmative.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if this would be for all equipment in all buildings, not particularly new buildings.

ACTION

PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW FACILITIES:

PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE
OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW
FACILITIES (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher stated that was correct. However, we put this definition in particularly because it is the procedure for purchase of equipment for new facilities and we are specifically talking about money appropriated by the Borough for this purpose.

Mrs. Fischer inquired how the one year as the life of an item was arrived at; as it is bond money and money we are paying interest on, it seems a very short life span.

Dr. Gallaher stated that this is part of the state definition. The state says that anything shorter than a year would not be considered equipment. However, there are items in schools that are not equipment that last longer than a year.

Mrs. Fischer requested an example of equipment that would have a life expectancy of only one year.

Mr. Swarner stated that staplers have been included in the new construction accounts. He added we purchase them in large quantities and are, therefore, talking about more than a few dollars. He stated that they may have a life expectancy anywhere from six months to five and ten years.

Dr. Hall added that cassette recorders would also fall into this category. He stated if the cassettes are used continually in a classroom they last approximately one year and it is less expensive with the cassettes are used continually in a classroom they last approximately one year and it is less expensive with the cassettes are used continually in a classroom they last approximately one year and it is less expensive with the cassettes are used continually in a classroom they last approximately one year and it is less expensive with the case of the ca

Mrs. Fischer stated that since all purchase orders will be issued within 18 months after receipt of the facility, we could provide an item that has a life expectancy of only one year twice.

Dr. Gallaher stated that is not the intent of the procedure.

Dr. Hall stated that this is not practiced. The money appropriated specifically for equipping new facilities is used solely for that purpose. He added that replacement items come from the capital equipment account that the board approves. Mrs. Fischer stated that since this policy is not only for this administration but for administrations many years down the line, purchase orders issued within twelve months would better determine that this would not happen.

Dr. Gallaher stated that this would be issued within 18 months after beneficial occupancy. He added that often there are many things that need to be done on a school building after receipt of beneficial occupancy. He added that in the past we have been 15-18 months behind in getting the new facilities equipped. He stated that he would like to think in terms of a procedure rather than a policy. He stated that he feels the board should have some confidence in the integrity of the people that are going to administer the procedure, as there are 1,000 ways that someone could get around it if they wanted to, and to make the procedure fool-proof



PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW FACILITIES (Continued): that nobody could manipulate it in any way then there are 999 other areas that need to be addressed also.

Mrs. Fischer stated that this is the intent of bringing this into view, that perhaps there are some things not going according to procedure.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he didn't feel that way.

Mrs. Fischer inquired as to the time the board will be informed of the price and bidder on the items to be approved. She added that in talking to several people with whom the district deals, such as Mr. Bill Smith of Learning World, assured her that the board could have a 90 day lead time between the time a bid is offered and the time it is received. She further added that she checked with Anchorage School Supply, and several local bidders and they all felt that three weeks is ample time. Mrs. Fischer stated that she checked with the Matanuska Borough and the Anchorage Borough and the procedure they follow is that the bids are awarded by the board. She added that in the procedure she doesn't see where the board will be provided the bid price or provision for the board to approve or disapprove.

Dr. Gallaher stated that is right, it wasn't intended to be there. He added that the procedure does state that records and prices will be available in the Finance Director's office at any time to be viewed by the public or the Board of Education.

Mrs. Fischer stated then the board is being asked to carte blanc give the administration the right to purchase and accept bids.

Dr. Gallaher replied negatively stating the Board of Education acts on the budget and makes the appropriations which the administration has to live within, and if the administration is unable to do so, it is presented to the board for approval through a transfer of funds.

Mrs. Fischer stated, therefore, the board approves the appropriation for all furnishings but does not approve appropriations on the items.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the board approves the appropriations for all expenditures except equipment for new facilities. That appropriation is made by the Borough.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the board is given a percentage of the construction funds to use for furniture and equipment.

Dr. Gallaher stated that this is not always the case.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if that is the way it is planned in the proposed bond issue.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he was not certain.

PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW FACILITIES (Continued): Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that to his knowledge the school district has always been given a percentage figure.

Dr. Gallaher stated that there was a percentage figure set for Kenai Central High School and then approximately \$100,000 was withheld and not appropriated.

Mr. Kirkpatrick agreed, stating there were exceptions.

Mr. Hobart stated that in reviewing #5 the equipment list is approved by the Board of Education.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she is not concerned about the equipment list. She stated that the voters have given the board the responsibility. It is executed by other Boroughs in the state and she would hate to relinquish this responsibility.

Dr. Gallaher stated that what is being suggested here is no different from past practice and wondered how much additional money the Board of Education wants to appropriate for additional help to provide this detailed information.

Mrs. Cannava suggested that in item #5 the word presented be changed to available. She added that in item #7 there is a void between the day it is approved by the board and the time the Borough officials receive the list. Therefore, there would be no purchases made. She stated that in the event purchases can be made between board meetings with savings to the district, a provision for polling board members should be provided.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that there are times a factory may have a "close out" of quality items that we should purchase and in those instances we would like flexibility.

Mr. Hobart stated that in answer to Mrs. Fischer's queries of the various corporations involving three weeks for a bid, that they could offer three years, but that bid will reflect the time limit. In other words, any time you lengthen the award time or the availability of the bid, it is going to be higher than what it would be for a shorter period of time, whether it is buying a house or purchasing a ream of stationery.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she did question this when talking with the various corporations and they stated that the prices do not increase until after approximately three months. She added that we may a few times spend a little more; however, there will be times we may save a little. Since the board has been charged with this responsibility as well as the administration, they should be able to question before giving approval. That would eliminate approving or disapproving after the fact.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that we could produce written quotations or bids from Learning World which do not give us 90 days.





PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE
OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW
FACILITIES (Continued):

Mr. Kirkpatrick said many times bids or quotes are received that state this is good for 30 days, 60 days, etc.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if this was for equipment or paper supplies.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated for almost anything.

Mrs. Fischer stated that they assured her that 90 days was their usual bidding time.

Mr. Kirkpatrick asked Mr. Skinner if he was wrong.

Mr. Skinner stated that he was not.

Dr. Gallaher stated that when receiving quotes for Kenai Central some of the items bid were good for only three weeks.

Mrs. Fischer stated that the three months is irrelevant because in fact 3 to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  weeks is more of what we need to worry about because the board as a rule meets twice a month. She stated the point is that there is time in which the board could approve these and still purchase the items at reasonable prices.

Dr. Gallaher stated that there are many many items that need to be purchased that the board would not have information whether it was a reasonable price or not.

Dr. Gallaher stated that it seems to him that this is a case of not having trust and confidence in the people in charge of the responsibility; he doesn't know what that is—whether something in the past years indicates that such type of things happened or not—but probably in the next three or four months the administration will present to the Board of Education at one time eight or ten new teachers that will represent an expenditure of \$100,000 to \$200,000 The Board will be provided with their name, where they will teach, their subject area, and when they start. It seems to him that is a greater investment than buying pieces of equipment. However, he doesn't think the Board of Education has the time to go through the credentials and evaluations to determine whether these eight to ten teachers are the best available. There comes a place where you either have faith and confidence in the administration or you change the administration.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she was sorry that Dr. Gallaher took this approach. She is concerned with the responsibility placed on the board members by the voters, she added that she does not feel this shows lack of faith in the administration but simply taking the responsibility and living with it, and if it takes time, that is why the board is here.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the procedure is presented to the Board of Education for them to effect desired changes, and hopefully, to give concurrence so the administration can provide it to Borough officials as the procedure for buying new equipment.

PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE
OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW
FACILITIES (Continued):
ACTION

Mrs. Owens moved to accept the Procedure for Purchase of New Facilities as presented. Mr. Glick seconded.

Mrs. Fischer moved to amend #3 to read "The equipment will be listed by name, quantity, price and bidder". Mrs. Owens seconded.

Mr. Glick inquired if it was to be all bidders or just the successful bidder.

Mrs. Fischer stated she would prefer it to be all bidders.

Mrs. Owens stated that she feels the successful bidder is enough, the board pays Mr. Kirkpatrick for a job to do and she believes he is better able to determine that than the board is.

Mr. Hobart stated his concern is that he doesn't know whether this is normal procedure as there are times when the lowest bidder may not always be accepted.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that was correct.

Dr. Gallaher stated that it seems if the amendment is passed by name, quantity, price and bidder we're defeating the very thing that Mrs. Fischer is requesting, and that being a chance to approve what is purchased and what is not. In submitting the name, quantity, price and bidder then the items have already been selected as a result of either the low bidder or best item among the bidders.

Mr. Hobart stated that the way the procedure is written the board will have the right to determine the quantity and type of equipment that will be in a particular school.

Mrs. Fischer stated that the board will not be determining what price is paid or to whom the bid is awarded and thereby not be awarding the bid.

Mr. Hobart stated that in a sense they will, as the administration is the agent of the school board.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT:

YES - Morris, Fischer

NO - Cannava, Brower, Glick, Owens, Hobart

Motion to amend failed.

Mrs. Cannava moved to amend item #5 to read "The equipment list approved by the Board of Education should be available to Borough officials"; delete #7 and add a #12 to read "In the event that special purchases are necessary, as for a factory close-out, the board members will be polled if there isn't a regular board meeting", and add to #4 "prior to purchase". Mr. Glick seconded.

PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE
OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW
FACILITIES-ACTION
(Continued):

VOTE ON AMENDMENT:

YES - Owens, Morris, Glick, Cannava, Brower, Hobart

NO - Fischer

Motion to amend passed.

Mrs. Owens inquired if upon receipt of the list of equipment, it will contain the price we paid for items.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated we would not have anything firm. He stated we would have something approximate but it could vary 10% to 35%.

Mrs. Fischer moved to amend #3 to read, "The equipment list will contain the name, quantity, price and recommended bidder".

Mr. Glick seconded.

Mr. Hobart suggested the amendment be to #4 as that is when a prepared list is presented to the board for evaluation and approval and that would be the stage where we would have the price.

Mrs. Fischer withdrew her previous motion. Mr. Glick concurred.

Mrs. Fischer moved to amend #4 to read "The prepared list will be presented to the Board of Education with item, quantity, price, and recommended bidder of items for evaluation and approval prior to purchase". Mrs. Owens seconded.

Mrs. Fischer stated that as she sees it, the board will be given a master equipment list for furnishing a new facility and prior to purchase, be given the items to be purchased, quantity, price and recommended bidder.

Mr. Glick stated this will be provided by the Superintendent Auxiliary Services, and the local administration, and the board will not have anything to do with the list.

Mrs. Fischer stated that the board will take part when it is presented to them for approval.

Mrs. Owens inquired if this would prevent Mr. Kirkpatrick from making special purchases?

Dr. Gallaher stated it would not.

Mr. Hobart stated there is no one on this board that has enough expertise to determine the type of equipment that should go in a school; they have to rely on someone in the administration to make that determination for them.

Mrs. Owens stated that perhaps the board should know.

PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE
OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW
FACILITIES-ACTION
(Continued):

Mr. Hobart added that it would be necessary to have a full-time school board working 40 hours a week.

Mrs. Fischer stated that this is being done in the other school districts within the state and their administrators don't feel hampered by it. The board has been elected to do something other than come here, get travel expenses, sit and say yes. She doesn't feel that in requesting this information they are jeopardizing the honesty of the administration. She just feels the school board should live up to what they are here for.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the school board has two primary functions, (1) to establish policy, (2) to sit in judgement or evaluation as to how effectively and efficiently that policy is being administered.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT:

YES - Glick, Owens, Morris, Fischer

NO - Cannava, Brower, Hobart

Motion on amendment passed.

At 8:30 P.M., by general consent of the board, a short recess was called.

At 8:50 P.M., the board reconvened in regular session.

VOTE ON AMENDED PROCEDURE:

YES -

NO - Cannava, Brower, Glick, Owens, Morris, Fischer, Hobart

Amendments to the procedure failed.

Dr. Gallaher recommended that the Board of Education approve the Procedure as originally presented with the substitution of the word available for the word presented in item #5.

Mrs. Morris stated that she would like all items to come before the board for approval prior to purchase. She added that she feels the board has confidence in the current administrators and that there are honest mistakes made and there are at times things included on the equipment lists that should not be. If the board is presented with the list before purchase they will have the opportunity to possibly catch these items before purchase.

Mrs. Hobart stated that #3 and #4 stipulate that these lists do come before the board with name and quantity for evaluation and approval.

PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW FACILITIES-ACTION (Continued): Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the Procedure for purchasing of equipment for new facilities as written with the exception of line 5 to read "The equipment list approved by the Board of Education will be available to Borough officials". Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Glick, Cannava, Brower, Morris, Hobart

NO - Fischer, Owens

Motion passed.

KENAI JUNIOR HIGH CHOIR TRIP: Dr. Gallaher stated that Mr. Boyd Holland, Music Director, Kenai Junior High, is requesting approval for a trip by the Kenai Junior High School Concert Choir for May 23, 24, and 25. He added that if approved they will travel to Palmer, Glennallen, and Valdez and return via Whittier. He stated that the Concert Choir will have three presentations. Also, the funds have been raised for the trip and there will be no cost to the Board of Education.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve the request of the Kenai Junior High School Concert Choir for a trip outside the Borough on May 23, 24, and 25, 1977. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PURPOSE:
BOND ISSUE:

Mr. Hobart stressed the importance of the up-coming bond election. He recommended the electorate vote to support the bond issue which the Borough has presented to the voters, for the five school projects costing \$19,819,000. He added that whether you vote positive or negative, please exercise your right to vote.

CHILD CARE CLASSES:

Mrs. Cannava stated that she had an opportunity to observe the Child Care classes at Kenai Junior High under Mrs. Beauchamp, and she added that she is proud that Mrs. Beauchamp is a teacher in this school district as the classes were very well done.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Tommy Corr stated that the Borough Assembly did appoint a committee to discuss with the Board of Education Procedures for Purchase of Equipment for new facilities and he added that he felt the committee should have had a copy of this proposed Procedure before tonight's meeting.

Dr. Gallaher stated the intent was to supply that committee with copies as soon as it was apparent what the Board of Education was going to approve.

Mr. Paul Fischer stated that he agrees with Mr. Corr; the committee of the Borough Assembly was responsible for meeting with the Board of Education in an effort to find a solution where both parties agree for the purchase of equipment for new facilities.

He stated that there is concern in the Assembly, to take bonded money that people are paying interest for 15-20 years and co-mingle

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS (Continued):

it with monies and buy things that last for a year. He stated that there is presently a resolution in effect by the Borough Assembly, that states in essence all items of new equipment goes to the Borough Assembly prior to purchasing. He added that he does not believe this should go to the Borough Assembly, but that an elected body should make the decision as to who receives the bid. He stated that in the procedure presented, you have eliminated the elected officials. He stated that he does not feel there was any hint of dishonesty towards certain people, but there needs to be some guidelines so that the Assembly does not start picking the School Board Budget. He added that he could not allow himself to vote for a bond issue where almost \$2,000,000 for capital equipment is to be spent that neither the Assembly nor the School Board has any control over. He suggested the board reconsider their decision on the passage of the Procedure for Purchase of Equipment for New Facilities.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board of Education is responsible to the public and are the decision makers.

At 9:00 P.M., by general consent of the board, the school board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of January 17, 1977, were approved as written on February 7, 1977.

ADJOURN:



## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

February 7, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member Mr. Carl Glick, Member Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent Operations/Voc. Ed.

Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Justin Maile Mrs. Ginnie Savoie

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mr. Richard Skinner Mrs. Bobbie Glendenning Mrs. Judy Dragseth

Mr. Paul Fischer

Mr. Patrick O'Connell

Mr. Tommy Corr

Mrs. Catherine Parker

Mr. Arthur Motz
Mr. Clark Whitney
Dr. Charles Craig
Mrs. Jean Douglas
Mrs. Norma Fant
Mrs. Joyce Thompson
Mrs. Dody Tachick

Mrs. Gail Sibson Mrs. Shirley Denison

Mrs. Mary Keck

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present
Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present
Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Carl Glick Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The School Board minutes of January 17, 1977, were approved as written.

CLASSIFIED NEGOTIATIONS:

Mrs. Gail Sibson presented the preamble, constitution, list of officers, and a petition containing the names of over 50% of the classified employees and requested recognition of the group as the bargaining agency in compliance with the Board of Education's Labor Relations Policy established February 17, 1975.

Mr. Hobart stated that to make a response at this meeting would be difficult. He added that the Board will check the list and possibly by the end of the meeting or by phone call the next day to verify it.

PUBLIC RELATIONS WORKSHOP:

Mr. Hobart stated he received a communication from Mr. Bill Overstreet, Executive Secretary of AASB in Juneau, stating that there will be three workshops held throughout the state on Public Relations and the one for the Kenai area will be held in Anchorage, February 16, at the Sheffield House. Mr. Hobart stated that it is a one-day seminar on public relations and he urged those able to attend to please contact the Superintendent so arrangements can be made.

CANDY, MAGAZINE, ETC. SALES BY STUDENTS:

Dr. Gallaher stated he received a call last Friday from a gentleman concerned with students participating in the sale of candy, magazines and other items to raise money for school activities. He added that the gentleman objected to the students going from home to home selling items as it places them in a hazardous situation. Dr. Gallaher stated that there is no policy that speaks on this and requested Board direction.

IMMUNIZATION OF STUDENTS:

Dr. Gallaher stated that according to Alaska Statutes and Regulations any student that does not have immunization against diphtheria, tetanus, polio, measles, and rubella (except that rubella is not required in children 12 years of age or older), shall be excluded from school by March 1. However, there are some exceptions: 1) A physician's statement that such immunizations are injurious to the health of the child. 2) If a parent or guardian signs an affidavit that such immunizations are against the religious practices of the parents or children. All others will have to have these immunizations or shall hold a valid immunization certificate for proof.

The school nurses are attempting to review the student records to ascertain which students have been immunized and which have not. Letters will be mailed to parents advising them of their children needing shots and that there will be no alternative but to exclude the students from school if they do not receive the shots on or before March 1, 1977.

KPEA ARBITRATION:

Dr. Gallaher stated that he received a communication from the Board's representative on the arbitration panel concerning the KPEA grievance stating that a decision of the panel may not be determined until sometime in March.

BAN OF TRAMPOLINES:

Dr. Gallaher stated he sent a communication to all building administrators banning the use of trampolines and mini-trampolines in school until further notice. He added that they have been unable to obtain insurance, and that the liability insurance has been cancelled as of February 1. He stated that Mayor Gilman has advised him that the Board can get insurance if they are willing to pay the first \$10,000 deductible on each accident. Dr. Gallaher requested direction from the Board.

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT:

Dr. Gallaher stated he received a call on Friday from Mr. Ken Grieser, who is in charge of Transportation, State Department of Education, regarding negotiations for bus contracts. He stated that Mr. Grieser had a meeting with the Department Attorney who suggested that the Board of Education first negotiate with Mr. Carver, submit the best figure obtainable through negotiations to the Department of Education, and then wait for a decision from the Department approving or disapproving the negotiated rate before going to proposals.

Mrs. Fischer suggested requesting a communication in writing from Mr. Grieser on this matter for our files.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward reported that the plans for the water system for Anchor Point School have been completed and will be going to bid soon. He added that the unit takes approximately 2-3 months from the time it is ordered until it arrives. Therefore, the project will not be started until school closes this year. The plans for the exhaust systems at Kenai Central High School and Homer Jr/Sr High School have been completed and will be bid after being studied by the Borough. Mr. Ward stated that the boiler malfunctioned again at the Nikolaevsk School last Thursday. There are problems with the sanitary system at Moose Pass making it necessary to dig it up. We have received approval from the Health Department to continue using the system until it can be revamped this summer. Mr. Ward stated that the Design Group, architectural firm which the Board selected for the Homer elementary and Soldotna elementary schools, is no longer together, and suggested the Board select another firm so that plans for the projects can be started, as the Borough is presently working on the proposed sites.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Swarner presented the Board with the December financial report. He added that the expenditures are close to target with the exception of fuel and electricity which are low due to the mild winter.

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TRANSPORTATION PROPOSAL:

FORENSICS:

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that specifications for receiving proposals for pupil transportation for the beginning of the 1977-78 school year for periods of three and five years have been written and are available for the Board's perusal in the central office. He added that he would like the Board's comments, and/or requested changes prior to February 11. He stated the date for receiving invitations is March 1, 1977, at 5:00 P.M. Proposals will be opened that same date and hour. Board consideration will be March 7, 1977, at 7:00 P.M. The service areas to be considered are Area I - North Kenai, Kenai, Soldotna, Sterling, Tustumena, Ninilchik, Anchor Point and Homer; Area II - Seldovia; Area III - Tyonek; and Area IV - Moose Pass.

Mr. Hobart stated that in light of the change by the State Department of Education, he would advise postponing the transportation proposals activities for a period of time.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he felt that is adviseable.

Mr. Hobart acknowledged the letter from Mrs. Fant and some of the staff of the North Kenai Elementary School. He inquired if Mrs. Fant would like to speak regarding the request for the third grade students at North Kenai to participate in Forensics.

Mrs. Fant stated that she did not realize in time, that the Board's policy on competitive sports applied to Forensics. She added that the third grade students at North Kenai Elementary worked and prepared for two or three weeks to participate in Forensics, and nine of the students won and were told that they would represent the school at Soldotna. She added that at that time, they did not know that Forensics were considered a competitive event. She requested the Board give consideration for allowing the students to participate at Soldotna Junior High in the Forensics Meet, as the students involved would benefit a great deal from the recognition, and would be hurt by denial of this activity.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Gallaher recommended five students to the Alternate Study Program. He added that in each instance there has been concurrence by the school principal. One of the students is in grade 11 at Homer Jr/Sr High School; one is in grade 11, Kenai Central High School; two in grade 8 at Kenai Junior High School, and one in first grade at North Kenai Elementary School.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve the five students to the Alternate Study Program as recommended. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW COURSE OFFERINGS:

Dr. Gallaher stated that there are presently four courses being offered that need Board approval; namely, Consumer Math at Ninilchik School; Yearbook Layout and Design, and Yearbook Photography at Kenai Central High School; and Student Council 7th, 8th & 9th, at Kenai Junior High School. He stated that some of the courses are new, some are changes in title, and some have changes in content. He added that because of the late date approval was given pending Board approval, with the understanding that if a course is not approved by the Board of Education it will be discontinued.

Mrs. Morris moved to approve the new course offerings, "Consumer Math" at Ninilchikk School; "Yearbook Layout and Design", and "Yearbook Photography" at Kenai Central High School; and "Student Council 7th, 8th & 9th" at Kenai Junior High School, as outlined. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher stated he received a communication from Dr. Hall for the Hearing Panel. He stated the hearing was held in the Central Office, with an impartial hearing panel consisting of a member of the Board of Education, a member of the community, and Dr. Hall as chairman. In attendance were the student, the parents, the Principal, the Dean of Students, a teacher, two students, and another adult.

The recommendations of the Hearing Panel are: 1) Direct the school district administration to secure complete psychological and educational diagnosis of the student in order to have necessary information for recommending placement in the school district other than Soldotna Junior High School. The request for psychological and educational diagnosis will necessitate parental concurrence.

2) Until such time as the tests can be administered, the Hearing Panel recommends the placement of the student on Correspondence Study. 3) After completion of the psychological and educational diagnosis, the Superintendent/Instructional Services, School District Educational Diagnostician, and Director of Special Services, should meet with the Principal, Soldotna Junior High School and the parents, to determine the most feasible disposition of the case.

Mr. Glick moved to concur with the report of the Hearing Panel as outlined. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION

REPORT OF HEARING PANEL:

ACTION

PURCHASES OF FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT:

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he has lists of furniture and/or equipment for two schools, Soldotna Elementary and Kenai Central High School. Kenai Central is requesting a flagpole and 18 veltex draperies; Soldotna Elementary School, 1 hand truck, 7 rectangular tables, 1 port-a-rack, 7 kidney-shape tables, 30 stacking chairs, 1 16mm projector, and 3 listening centers.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the furniture and equipment list as outlined for Soldotna Elementary School and Kenai Central High School. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Mrs. Morris inquired if there was not already a flagpole existing at Kenai Central High School.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that there was one prior to the most recent construction addition, and at that time it was removed and apparently disposed of. He added that he did not know what type of pole it was but believed it to be wooden. He stated the pole requested is a metal type pole.

Mr. Ward stated that the previous pole was metal and there was a continuous problem getting the flag up and down, as it had a chain mechanism.

Mrs. Fischer asked if it is planned to purchase another metal pole.

Mr. Kirkpatrick replied in the affirmative.

Mrs. Fischer stated that Mr. Ward has indicated that we are having problems with the metal poles not working.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he presumes the other one, if metal, was three section type.

Mr. Ward stated that it was in sections. However, it is necessary to have a rope mechanism for raising and lowering the flag rather than a chain. He added that in the future we should obtain poles that are erected in such a manner that they can be laid down for installation of new ropes or painting. However, if they are of a good grade stainless steel, they don't need maintenance.

Mrs. Fischer stated that this concerned her and inquired as to the type of specifications for the flagpole.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that it is a tapered aluminum gold anodized finish complete with hardware.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if there was a suggested cost to this pole?

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that it would be approximately \$600-\$700.

PURCHASES OF FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT - ACTION (Continued):

Mrs. Owens inquired where the new flagpole would be located.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he did not know.

Mrs. Owens suggested it be located in front of the office.

Mrs. Fischer stated that on the 16mm projector for Soldotna Elementary School, as she checked back through her Board packets, there was one ordered in December for the same type of projector for Soldotna Elementary. She inquired as to the standard number of projectors per number of classrooms.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he did not know whether there was any particular standard; however, Mr. Whitney has given justification. He stated that each school needs a back-up projector as many times they are out for repairs, and in some instances films come in groups and they have return deadline dates.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the projectors that were in the elementary school already could be used for backup.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he was not certain how many there were. He added there is one used unit and the one that was purchased earlier in the year.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Board needs to remember that there are a total of 27 teachers in that building.

Mrs. Fischer stated yes, but the monies being used here would be to equip the new building, not to supplement supplies or needs for the old building.

Mr. Whitney stated that Soldotna Elementary has 27 teachers and 3 tutors with four projectors in the building. He added at times four projectors are insufficient. He stated one time last week 17 films were secured. It was not planned that way; however, it necessitated five projectors. Since funds are available, there is justification for having two projectors in the new addition of the building.

Mrs. Morris stated that she has some concern with there being no cost figures of any sort on the list, and later in the meeting she would like added to the agenda, reconsideration of the purchasing procedure that was passed at the last Board meeting.

VOTE: YES - Cannava, Brower, Glick, Owens, Hobart

NO - Morris, Fischer

Motion passed.

ACTION

BUDGET TRANSFERS:

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfers #76-90, #76-91, #76-93, #76-94, #76-101, and #76-102.

#76-90, North Kenai Elementary School: from Account #01-039-100-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-039-200-000-470, Special Instruction-Instructional Media, \$50.00.

#76-91, Cooper Landing Elementary School: from Account #01-032-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-032-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$15.00; and from Account #01-032-605-000-453, Janitorial Supplies, to Account #01-032-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$50.00.

#76-93, Homer High School: from Account #01-006-515-000-454, Office Supplies, to Account #01-006-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$500.00; and from Account #01-006-515-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-006-100-000-510, Regular Instruction-Equipment-New, \$100.00.

#76-94, Kenai Elementary School: from Account #01-036-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-036-605-000-441, Repairs and Maintenance, \$900.00.

#76-101, Refer to Memorandum dated February 7, 1977, from Richard Swarner, and/or agenda packet for February 7, 1977.

#76-102, Refer to Memorandum dated February 7, 1977, from Richard Swarner, and/or agenda packet for February 7, 1977, School Board meeting.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-90, #76-91, #76-93, #76-94, #76-101 and #76-102 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET PREPARATION CALENDAR:

In order to have sufficient time to work on the fiscal '78 budget the following calendar was agreed upon.

Saturday, February 19, 9:00 A.M., Work Session, Coffee Room, Borough Building; Wednesday, February 23, 7:00 P.M., Work Session, Coffee Room, Borough Building; Monday, March 7, 7:00 P.M., Public Hearing, Assembly Room, Borough Building; Monday, March 21, 7:00 P.M., Budget Adoption, Assembly Room, Borough Building.

ACTION

LEAVE OF ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY:

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Leave of Absence Without Pay concerns Mrs. Shirley Denison. He stated in his communication to the Board of Education that records were not at all clear or not available for the 1961-62 school year. He added that Mrs. Denison resigned on January 26, 1962, due to pregnancy and was reemployed in March for the 1962-63 school year, and since has taught continuously in the school system. However, records do not reveal if Mrs. Denison was granted an unpaid leave of absence or if she actually resigned. He recommended that the Board of Education grant Mrs. Shirley Denison a Leave of Absence Without Pay retroactively from January 26, 1962, until the end of the school year so that she may receive credit toward retirement by paying her share and the Board's share of retirement for the period of time in question. He added by so doing, Mrs. Denison will have 19 years of retirement service credit rather than 18.7 years at the conclusion of the present school year. Further, the Teacher's Retirement will accept this procedure.

Mr. Hobart inquired if we would in any way be setting any kind of a precedent.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he was not sure, but that he would hope in other cases records and the minutes could be located.

Mrs. Fischer moved to designate the period of time from January 26, 1962, to the end of the 1961-62 school year as a Leave of Absence Without Pay for Mrs. Shirley Denison. Mr. Glick seconded.

VOTE: YES - Cannava, Brower, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher recommended a contract for Joanne McCabe, Alternative Education, 143 half-days, Seward High School, retroactive to November 1, 1976.

Mr. Glick moved to approve a contract for Joanne McCabe, Alternative Education, 143 half-days, Seward High School, retroactive to November 1, 1976, as recommended. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Board of Education is quite aware of the problem existing at Soldotna Elementary, and he is in hopes the Board can find a solution to the housing needs for that school for 1977-78. He stated the situation was compounded when the 6th grade students at Soldotna Junior High were moved to the elementary school. He added that Soldotna Junior High increased faster than anticipated -- having a 10% increase in enrollment this year over the previous year. He stated that he is certain at this point that Soldotna Elementary School will not accommodate all of the

ACTION

STAFF APPOINTMENT:

ACTION

HOUSING SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY STUDENTS 1977-78:

HOUSING SOLDOTNA
ELEMENTARY STUDENTS
1977-78 (Continued):

K-6 students next year unless we put more children in each classroom. He added that as it becomes necessary to look at various options for taking care of this K-6 enrollment for next year, it would be wise to take a longer look than for one year, as it appears certain additional facilities will not be provided as early as had been anticipated. He stated there are nine alternatives and he would like the Board's suggestions on which to explore further.

Mr. Glick inquired as to the approximate number of students on Kalifonski Beach Road that come to Soldotna to attend school.

Dr. Gallaher stated that Mr. Kirkpatrick would be better able to answer that as he is more acquainted with the area.

Mr. Glick stated that, personally, he doesn't like the idea of the 6th grade students going to the junior high school. He stated that if it is feasible for the Board to take some students from the Kalifonski Beach area as requested by some parents earlier in the year, maybe that would be a more feasible move since there is room at the elementary schools in Kenai.

Dr. Gallaher stated that whatever the solution decided upon, not everyone is going to be happy with the decision.

Mr. Glick inquired if the bus that makes the run from the Kalifonski area were to bus the students to Kenai rather than Soldotna would that solve the problem for this year?

Dr. Gallaher stated the administration has not proceeded that far.

Mr. Hobart inquired which alternative Dr. Gallaher recommended.

Dr. Gallaher stated that it seems we might explore the transferring of 6th grade students from Soldotna Elementary to Soldotna Junior High School with the idea of placing a portable or two over there; or we might explore the possibility of putting another portable at Soldotna Elementary. Another way would be to assign an area with all students living in the area in grades K-6 going to the Kenai Elementary and Sears Elementary schools.

Dr. Gallaher stated that we are faced with a problem, and as it pertains to the next year or the two following, it would seem that assigning an area to the Kenai and Sears Elementary schools would be the solution. However, if we are only interested in finding a solution for next year, then he thinks there are other possibilities.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the administration would be glad to study alternatives the Board feels would be more feasible and come back with specifics. He added, however, that he feels very firmly that the decision should not be postponed until next September.

HOUSING SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY STUDENTS 1977-78 (Continued): Mr. Hobart inquired if the district had any portables available to move, or would the Board need to purchase additional ones.

Dr. Gallaher stated that we have two portables but the administratio is requesting that one be moved immediately to Sterling Elementary School, thereby leaving one available portable.

Mrs. Fischer stated that the Board, before the bond election, was considering a four year high school possibility. She inquired if the problem would be alleviated by transferring the 9th grade to the high school and then moving the 6th grade to the junior high?

Dr. Gallaher stated that we would then solve a problem but create one for future years. In other words, with almost 800 students that will be in Kenai Central next September, if we take 111 9th graders from Soldotna Jr. High School the high school enrollment would be over 900, making a crowded building. Further, there would be no room for Kenai Jr. High 9th graders as there are approximately 175 students there. Then what would we do the following year? He added that it may solve the problem for one year, but that it would be compounded.

Mrs. Owens inquired how many classrooms are available at Kenai Elementary School.

Dr. Gallaher stated approximately six.

Mr. Hobart inquired as to the available space at Sears Elementary School.

Dr. Gallaher stated that they have at least three available class-rooms. He added that if looking for a solution for a two or three year period, then the alternative that would have the highest priority would be to transport K-6 students from an area to Sears and Kenai Elementary schools.

Mr. Hobart inquired if Dr. Gallaher would be able to provide the Board with additional information at the next Board meeting.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he could to some extent.

Mr. Ward reported that the Public Works Department, the Maintenance Department, and Office of Administration, visited all of the schools in the district and have developed programs for capital improvement for next year as well as for maintenance. He stated the list should be finalized by Wednesday of this week, and will be presented to the Board at the next meeting. He stated that with the addition of the high school program at English Bay, it will be necessary to rehabilitate the basement of the existing facility to allow for the additional programs to be presented.

ENGLISH BAY, PORT GRAHAM, STERLING & TYONEK:

ENGLISH BAY, PORT GRAHAM, STERLING & TYONEK (Continued):

Mr. Ward stated that the teacherage at Port Graham is designed so that the basement can be converted into another teacherage or it can be used for educational purposes. He stated that the village council is building an office complex with an apartment, and they have said the third teacher could rent the apartment. However, the administration is suggesting completing the apartment in the basement of the teacherage so that it can be utilized by an additional teacher or for educational purposes. Mr. Ward suggested that the Board submit a request to the Borough Officials requesting that either the frame house in Tyonek be remodeled for a Home Economics facility, or that a portable unit, specially designed for Home Economics be moved to the school no later than August 15. He stated that there are presently fifteen portables in the district and all but two are presently being utilized.

Mr. Ward recommended that the Board request Borough Officials to move one of the Nikolaevsk Elementary School portables to Sterling Elementary School as soon as possible.

Mrs. Cannava inquired as to the cost of moving the portable from Russian Village to Sterling.

Mr. Ward stated that it would cost between \$6,000 and \$8,000 to move. He stated that the cost is not in the distance between Sterling and Russian Village, but rather in jacking up the portable and placing wheels under them.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if \$38,000 is the purchase price of a portable?

Mr. Ward stated that the two portables purchased two years ago cost approximately \$38,000 each.

Mr. Hobart stated that another 10% can be added to that figure now.

Mr. Ward stated that the administration is also requesting that three trailers be purchased, moved, and set up at Tyonek for teacherages. He added that housing is becoming more difficult each year in Tyonek.

Dr. Gallaher added that the enrollment at Tyonek with the lumber camp is increasing, and we will probably request the Board's approval for a half-time teacher at the next Board meeting. He added that this teacher will need housing.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if Russian Village was presently using one of the portables.

Mr. Ward stated that they are not using the portables, but they are using the original structures that the Russians built which were used for the first school, and since has been moved to the new school site.

ENGLISH BAY, PORT GRAHAM, STERLING & TYONEK (Continued):

Mrs. Fischer stated that with the projected enrollment and people coming into the Russian village, will the portables be needed?

Mr. Ward stated that it is necessary to look at all of the district needs and place the portables that are available in the crisis areas.

Mrs. Fischer asked if the portables available at Russian Village will not be needed there next year?

Dr. Gallaher stated we will not need them there next fall.

Mr. Glick moved to request the Borough to move one portable from Russian Village to Sterling Elementary School as soon as possible. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hobart inquired if anything had been said regarding the remodeling of a Home Economics facility for Tyonek. He inquired if it would be more feasible and more economical to use a trailer.

Mr. Ward stated that the proposed figure for remodeling is \$25,000.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the figure for remodeling would be much less than for purchasing a trailer, transporting it, and setting it up at Tyonek.

Mr. Glick moved to request Borough Officials to remodel the basement rooms at English Bay School by August 15, 1977, to accommodate a high school program; complete the basement of the teacherage at Port Graham by August 15, 1977, for living quarters for a third teacher; convert the frame building owned by the Borough near Bob Bartlett School, Tyonek, by August 15, 1977, into a Home Economics facility or provide an alternate facility for such purposes; and provide three additional trailers at Tyonek for living quarters for teachers by August 15, 1977. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hobart stated the Board of Education needs to make a decision on whether to cover the \$10,000 deductible policy on trampolines.

Mr. Glick inquired as to the number of accidents the district has in a year on trampolines.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he did not know. However, some of the schools have probably not had an accident in the years they have had trampolines. He added that it is not only this school district that is being eliminated on insurance; it was indicated that the overall accidents were high and the insurance companies are not making any money on the trampoline insurance. He stated that the question is, can the Board of Education underwrite liability to that extent?

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TRAMPOLINE INSURANCE:

TRAMPOLINE INSURANCE (Continued):

Mr. Hobart inquired if the \$10,000 was each case or \$10,000 total.

Dr. Gallaher stated that it was \$10,000 for each case.

Mr. Glick stated that not all accidents will cost \$10,000.

Mr. Swarner stated that to his knowledge the district has only had two serious accidents in the last five or six years. However, the two accidents had medical bills that were over \$10,000 He stated that in the situations where accidents have occured they have been well supervised and safely run trampoline programs.

Mrs. Fischer inquired how many students are involved in the programs using the trampolines; how many tramplines does the district have, and how many dollars will be locked up as the trampolines are locked up?

Mr. Swarner stated that the district has at least ten trampolines. He added that the administration is still requesting clarification on mini-trampolines from the current liability carrier.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the mini-trampolines were not covered either.

Dr. Gallaher stated that according to latest interpretation the mini-trampolines are included in the \$10,000 deductible, however, the Reuther Board is not.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he does not like to see the trampolines not in use, because obviously the district has a number of good programs and the trampoline is a very important part. However, he added that he could not recommend to the Board of Education to absorb the liability of \$10,000 per accident as it could become astronomical.

Mrs. Brower inquired if it would be possible to require the students participating in the programs to provide their own insurance.

Mr. Hobart stated that he could see more problems if that were done.

Mr. Swarner stated that it would not solve any problem whatever because the problem is with the liability, and when a student is on the trampoline, the district is responsible.

Dr. Gallaher added that some instructors indicated they would get the parents to sign a waiver, but it does not mean anything.

Mrs. Cannava moved to lock up trampolines until the Board of Education can obtain insurance for them without a \$10,000

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TRAMPOLINE INSURANCE - ACTION (Continued):

deductible for each accident. Mrs. Morris seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Cannava, Hobart

NO - Brower

Motion passed.

CANDY, MAGAZINE SALES:

Dr. Gallaher stated that if the Board of Education were to prohibit students from selling candy, magazines, etc., it would be creating a situation for which they would need to find a solution. He added that he is willing to make a survey of administrators to get an indication as to how often such sales are occurring, whether or not they are excessive, and the administrators attitude toward such activities.

Mrs. Fischer stated that perhaps a goal should be established to work towards rather than just earning money.

Mr. Hobart stated that he feels there is as much education involved in selling items as is obtained in some classrooms. He added that you are involving a whole area of education in selling items to the public.

Mrs. Cannava stated that from the financial angle, if the Board of Education were to say no to students on such sales, then when the students desired to do something extraordinary where would they obtain the money? She added that the Board of Education would have a budget for it.

Mrs. Brower stated that she feels this is an area where the less rules there are, the less problems there are going to be. She added if there is an area being saturated with sales by students, the people should talk to the local principal rather than involving the entire district.

Mr. Hobart suggested Dr. Gallaher do a survey and return to the Board with the results.

Mr. Hobart suggested the Board take action on the dates that Mr. Kirkpatrick has determined for pupil transportation proposals. He added that his recommendation would be to postpone this for a two week period.

Dr. Gallaher stated that in the Board's original direction to the administration no dates were established. The original request to Mr. Kirkpatrick was to develop specifications for receiving proposals for three and five year periods and then to receive quotations.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he selected those dates by regulation.

TRANSPORTATION PROPOSALS:

TRANSPORTATION
PROPOSALS (Continued):

Mrs. Cannava stated that in light of what we have received from the State, how can the Board establish any dates until we first work with Mr. Carver in negotiations; submit the best figure obtainable through negotiations to the State, and then wait for a decision from the Department of Education.

Mr. Hobart stated that he was thinking in terms of setting up some guidelines so that the Board could start to resolve the problems with Mr. Carver.

Dr. Gallaher stated that part of the contract does stipulate that the first meeting is to develop the agenda, the dates, etc.; however, this is not only with Mr. Carver, it is also with three other bus contractors.

Mr. Glick stated that in light of what has happened with communications from the State in the past, he would like to see their suggestions in writing.

Mr. Hobart stated there are some things that could be started prior to receiving anything in writing from the State.

Dr. Gallaher informed the Board that he has asked the Borough Attorney for an opinion. He added that the only action the Board needs to take is postponing the request for proposals.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board also needs to be concerned with the fact that if we do go to proposals, some time must be allowed for the successful bidder to bring in equipment.

Mr. Glick moved to postpone receiving of proposals for pupil transportation for the 1977-78 school year until further direction by the Board of Education. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously

Mrs. Brower read a communication from the North Kenai Elementary staff. They requested that the third grade students at North Kenai Elementary School be permitted to participate in Forensics. Nine of the third graders prepared, won, and were told they would represent the North Kenai Elementary School in Soldotna. Therefore, the teachers believe they should be permitted to go. It was not realized in time that this would be considered a competitive event. Mrs. Brower stated that she reviewed the Competitive Sports Policy, and Rules and Regulations, and stated that she did not realize the difference in wording. She added the policy states that no competitive athletics for K-3 would be allowed. However, the Rules and Regulations state there will be no competitive activities allowed. She stated that it takes some time to change rules. However, the Forensic Meet is February 12, and she would like the Board to

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GENERAL PURPOSE:
NORTH KENAI ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL FORENSICS:

NORTH KENAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FORENSICS (Continued):

reconsider the Policy, and Rules and Regulations.

Mrs. Fant stated that the nature of Forensics is not athletic. She added that a student does not have to be well coordinated, nor scholastic to participate. She stated that children not particularly talented in other areas, can succeed in Forensics. She urged the Board to let the students continue to participate in Forensics.

Mrs. Owens stated that she can see this same argument coming from athletic programs.

Mr. Hobart stated the Board had established a policy and decided that if it failed to work it would be reviewed next year. He added that an administrator informed him that some children become emotional prior to a Forensics Meet as they do prior to a basketball game. He added that it is not the participation that the Board is trying to avoid, but rather the emotional stress.

Mrs. Fischer stated that perhaps now is the time the Board should reconsider the policy.

Dr. Gallaher stated at the time the policy was adopted the administration was directed to do an evaluation before school closes and bring it back to the Board of Education. He added that the administration has not done an evaluation at this point because we are little more than half—way through the school year. He stated that he cannot see how the Board can change this policy prior to February 12, and therefore would suggest the Board obtain an evaluation at the end of the school year as originally intended.

prior to February 12, and therefore would suggest the Board obtain an evaluation at the end of the school year as originally intended Mrs. Morris stated that after receiving the list tonight of purchases for furniture and equipment, she would like to propose an amendment to the procedure which the Board adopted at the last meeting. She added that this would be in regards to Item #3

which now reads, "The equipment will be listed by name and quantity". She amended #3 to read, "The equipment will be listed by name, quantity, price, and successful bidder". Mrs. Fischer

Mr. Hobart inquired if Mr. Kirkpatrick had any bidders on the items that are presented for Board approval.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he did not.

seconded.

Mr. Hobart inquired if these were just requests the Board was approving.

Mr. Kirkpatrick replied in the affirmative.

PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE
OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT
FOR NEW SCHOOLS:
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PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT FOR NEW SCHOOLS (Continued): Mr. Hobart stated if the Board approves them, they then go to bid?

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated yes, that is the way the procedure reads.

Mrs. Morris inquired if they would be presented to the Board again for approval after bid.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that as he sees it there is no provision for the administration to bring it back before the Board a second time.

Mrs. Cannava stated, that as she understands the policy being adopted, the Board of Education is going to receive a list such as tonight and after which, if approved, it would go out for bids and the bids awarded. She inquired if Mrs. Morris wanted to see the list again after everything was completed.

Mrs. Morris stated yes, she would like to be able to have the dollar figures that the Board is approving. She added that she would like to know how many dollars the Board is spending of public funds when approving a purchase.

Mrs. Cannava stated then we would see the successful bidder on the entire list. She added then you are proposing another step -- we first see the list and then Mr. Kirkpatrick, if it is approved, goes to the bidding process and is resubmitted.

Mrs. Morris stated that only one list would be necessary. She added the Board would see a list of equipment deemed necessary through the input of the administration, and the administrator of the school involved; the items then put out for bid, but the bid would not be awarded until after the Board has approved the purchasing of the items. She stated that a list could be given to the Board of Education months in advance of the actual time needed within the 18-month guidelines. She stated that at that time, she would like to see a list that the administration is recommending with a dollar value. She stated that she believes Mr. Kirkpatrick should decide on the successful bidder. However, the Board should have a dollar figure so they know how much money is being expended.

Mrs. Cannava inquired as to the purpose for this.

Mrs. Morris stated that she did not like to approve purchases without a dollar figure. She added that it is the Board's responsibility to know the amounts they are approving and expending.

Mr. Hobart stated by seeing this dollar figure he does not feel the Board is going to be any more aware of the figure being a justified price.

PROCEDURE FOR PURCHASE OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT FOR NEW SCHOOLS (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher stated that there is a provision in the procedure stating where the data is regarding this matter, and that it is available at any time to the Board of Education.

Mrs. Fischer stated that a good example of the reason for requesting the dollar figure is the flagpole tonight. She added it would be like voting against Motherhood to vote against the flagpole. She inquired how much money was going to be put into the flagpole. She added that flagpoles can be very elaborate or very plain.

Mr. Hobart stated that he still does not see how looking at a bid figure the Board is going to be able to determine whether it is too elaborate or not. He added that the administration is basically an agent of the Board and acting under the Board's direction.

Mrs. Cannava stated that the Board of Education expends much more money on teachers and other things, that she feels the Board should be more concerned with. She further added that the Board hires a purchasing agent and Mr. Kirkpatrick to work on these purchases. If they make a mistake they know it will come back to haunt them through the Board. She stated that in order of priorities she would suggest spending more time on curriculum.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she feels the Board is elected to educate the children with the best education in the most economical way. She added that she does not feel there are priorities. The Board is here to do a complete job and if it takes time to look at these things that is what the Board is elected to do. If we are not willing to devote this time, then we should not ask for the responsibility.

Mr. Hobart stated that he does not feel derelect in discharging his responsibilities. He added that he would like to see a legal opinion on the matter.

VOTE: YES - Morris, Fischer

NO - Owens, Glick, Cannava, Brower, Hobart

Motion failed.

Mrs. Cannava suggested recommending to the Borough Assembly that during Assembly meetings when school matters come up that the Assembly request the expertise of those directly concerned with the matter. She suggested that Board members attend the meetings so that one person will be there at all times.

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BOROUGH ASSEMBLY MEETINGS:

PURCHASES OF FURNITURE & EOUIPMENT:

Mr. Glick suggested when compiling the original list for purchases that the administration let the Assembly review the list, and then the purchasing would be up to the School Board as the Borough would have basically approved the list.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the procedure provides for the list to go to the Borough Assembly after being approved by the Board.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that if the records were reviewed, the Board would find that with Kenai Central High School and with all other construction projects, the lists were submitted to the Assembly prior to purchase.

Mr. Ward stated that \$86,000 was retained by the Borough which originally was designed for capital equipment at KCHS. However, it was placed in a contingency fund that the School Board neither needed nor requested.

KCHS ADMINISTRATION:
ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to support the Principal and staff at Kenai Central High School in their efforts to maintain a closed campus at Kenai Central High School. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she has some concern in the policy change for attendance at Kenai Central High School.

Mr. Hobart stated that some of the policy was in existance prior to this time; however, it was never actually enforced.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Mrs. Jean Douglas requested that the Board of Education appoint a committee other than the School Board President and the School Administration to settle the method and manner for which school equipment is to be purchased with bonded money. She added if the request is not met, the Assembly's School Board Committee has no choice but to recommend to the Assembly to enforce Resolution 69-22.

Mr. Hobart stated that he did not know whether a committee appointed would be of any value since the Board has made a decision on the purchasing procedure. He added that the Board does not go to the Assembly and make demands on how they are to function as an Assembly. Consequently, the Board has made a decision on how purchases are to be handled and if this is the reason the Assembly's committee desires to meet, the Board has a policy and has established it.

Mrs. Douglas added that the committee does not really know the feelings of the Board itself. She stated that if the School Board does not wish to meet with the Assembly's committee there is no



PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS (Continued):

choice but to recommend to the Borough Assembly to enforce Resolution 69-22.

Mr. Hobart appointed a seven-member committee consisting of the entire School Board.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board has had one meeting with the Assembly's committee and it is the Board's authority to make a policy and establish a procedure and they have done that.

Mrs. Douglas stated that the Borough Assembly chose not to agree with it.

Dr. Gallaher inquired who was on the Assembly's committee.

Mrs. Douglas stated Mr. Fischer, Mr. Corr and herself.

Mr. Corr stated that he was not so sure the Board would object to Resolution 69. He added that the resolution says that before any purchases are made a list will be given to the Assembly for evaluation and approval before it goes to bid.

Mr. Hobart stated that the policy is doing that now.

A meeting was set up for Saturday, February 19, at 1:00 P.M. at the Borough Building.

Mr. Ken Kuzak, Attorney representing Burton Carver Company, Inc., expressed his interest in the negotiations between the School Board and Burton Carver Company.

Mr. Corr stated that he regreted that the Board of Education did not go ahead and let the third grade at North Kenai Elementary participate in Forensics. He stated that he would like to urge the Board where ever possible not to get any more portables. He stated that portables are a waste of taxpayer's money.

Mrs. Ruby Coyle expressed her concern with the January 25 bond issue. She stated that each of the money issues should have been a separate proposal. She requested the Board and Administration to take a closer look at the location of the proposed high school and the present junior high school, and whether two small high schools would provide the best curriculum for this area.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board looks at education for the total Kenai Peninsula as one unit. He suggested that Mrs. Coyle speak with the present principal of Kenai Central High School regarding curriculum in different size schools.

BUS CONTRACT
NEGOTIATIONS:

NORTH KENAI FORENSICS:

BOND ISSUE:

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS (Continued):

Mrs. Brower inquired whether there would be any reason why the third graders who are prepared for the Forensics Meet could not participate as an exhibition rather than in competition.

Mr. Hobart stated that he believes the third graders did participate in the individual schools. He added that he is concerned that people cannot say no.

Mrs. Fischer moved to let the third graders at North Kenai Elementary School participate in the Forensics Meet at Soldotna. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Mr. Hobart stated then you are asking for a waiver action.

Mrs. Owens questioned the legality of it. She stated that she is not against Forensics. However, the Board did pass a policy and they cannot disregard it each time they are requested to do so.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board passed the policy with the stipulation that the administration would present an evaluation of it to the Board.

Mrs. Cannava stated that it should be the Boards' responsibility to uphold the policy until a change is made.

Mrs. Fischer stated that there are exceptions to the rule.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Fischer

NO - Cannava, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion failed.

Mr. Hobart stated that he did receive the letter from Mr. Kraus regarding the Chemistry-Biology class accident in the school. He stated that the latest additions and buildings in the Borough have included at least one eye wash facility and safety showers in all the chemistry labs in the new additions.

Mr. Kraus stated that as a parent he would like the Board to consider the problem with the band instruments. He requested the Board look at the instrument situation and have some back-up instruments available. He requested that there be more flexibility in the curriculum programs in the critical areas of Reading, Writing and Arithmetic at the high school.

Mr. Hobart recommended that Mr. Kraus contact the building administrators regarding the band instruments and curriculum.

ACTION

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BAND INSTRUMENTS:

FUNDING OF HIGH SCHOOL BAND TO HAWAII:

Mr. Vern Gerke, Chairman of Che committee of the Parent's Fund to send the high school band to Hawaii, informed the Board of the activities taking place and indicated that everything is being handled in a good manner. He stated that if nothing else, the boys and girls are learning how to work, the money is under control, and none of it is being wasted.

ADJOURN:

At 10:00 P.M., by general consent of the Board, the School Board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of February 7, 1977, were approved as written on February 21, 1977.

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## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

### February 21, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services
Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations, Voc. Ed.
Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Justin Maile

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mrs. Ginnie Savoie Mr. Richard Skinner Mrs. Bobbie Glendenning Mrs. Judy Dragseth Mr. Patrick O'Connell

Mr. Tommy Corr
Mr. Paul Fischer
Mrs. Catherine Parker
Mrs. Dody Tachick
Mrs. Gail Sibson
Mrs. Mary Keck
Mr. Bill Haywood
Mr. Ray Coxe
Mr. Bill Foster
Mrs. Barbara Barta

Mr. Bill Foster Mrs. Barbara Banta Mr. Stan Friese Mr. Tom Murphy

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Absent (Excused)
Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present

Mrs. Joyce Fischer

Mrs. Sandra Morris

Mrs. Sheila Owens

Mr. Carl Glick

Mr. Jerry Hobart

Present

Present

Present

Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The School Board minutes of February 7, 1977, were approved as written.

DRIVER EDUCATION:

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that Mr. Ray Coxe, Driver Education Specialist, Department of Education, is at the meeting tonight to answer questions concerning Driver Education. Mr. Kirkpatrick added that there is a possibility that the school district will reinstate the Driver Education Program into the curriculum. He added that it has been discussed during the budget work session. The question has arisen regarding the availability of cars. Mr. Kirkpatrick assured the Board that a firm in Kenai has stated cars will be available to the school district for this program and Hutchings Sales and Service and Peninsula Ford have indicated the same. He stated that he received a communication from Doron, Precision Systems, Inc., New York, on February 15, relating to cost figures on driver simulators, for those purchased in groups of 12, 14 and 16, and prices for reconditioned units. He added that a driver simulator is a device which enables a student to reproduce, under test conditions, phenomena likely to occur under actual driving conditions or performance.

Mr. Ray Coxe, stated being able to drive a car safely is almost as important as Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic. If a student is killed on the highway, his education is all in vain. He stated that a Driver Education Instructor must possess a valid Alaska Drivers License, valid Alaska Teachers Certificate, and must have completed a minimum of eleven hours in Driver Education and Traffic Safety Education. He stated that the State Department sponsors a workshop every summer; the tuition is free and six hours of credit are earned. He added that it takes two summers to complete the course. He stated that at the present time the Department of Education allocates \$250 per school, on a matching basis, for safety education which may also be for elementary schools.

Mrs. Brower inquired as to the number of schools in the State of Alaska which have Driver Education Programs.

Mr. Coxe stated 17 have approved programs. Two schools have conditional approval as the instructor has not completed the workshop thus far. He added that 18 schools have programs that are not approved; mainly because they do not offer behind the wheel training. He stated that the state allows substituting two hours behind the wheel with six hours use of the simulator. The traditional curriculum includes thirty hours of classroom instruction, six hours of behind the wheel, and twelve hours minimum observed driving. He stated that the reconditioned simulators cost approximately \$20,000 plus transportation charges. He stated that if Drivers Education is offered to a student at age 17, they have already learned their bad habits in driving.

Mr. Hobart inquired if Mr. Coxe had any figure on the insurance savings for students having taken Drivers Education.

Mr. Coxe stated that it would range from 10% to 20%.

Mr. Hobart inquired if the simulators would be of any value in training bus drivers.

DRIVER EDUCATION (Continued):

Mr. Coxe replied in the affirmative stating that they learn hazard perception; the key is knowing what to look for.

Mr. Hobart inquired if Mr. Coxe was familiar with the reconditioned units as compared to the new ones.

Mr. Coxe replied in the affirmative stating that the reconditioned units are actually better than the current new units, as far as sturdiness.

Mr. Ward inquired what he would recommend as the best time for the training of students.

Mr. Coxe stated that sophomore students would benefit the most, as that is the age at which they may obtain their licenses.

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL:

Mrs. Gail Sibson, stated that the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Classified Association requests recognition as the bargaining agency in compliance with the Board of Education's Labor Relations Policy. The organization requested permanent placement on the agenda and that all officers be mailed copies of agendas and minutes of the School Board meetings.

HOUSING SOLDOTNA
ELEMENTARY:

Dr. Gallaher presented three of nine alternatives for housing K-6 Soldotna area students next year as viable. They are: 1) purchase and locate two additional portables at Soldotna Elementary School; 2) rent space for kindergarten students, and 3) assign K-6 students in the area to Kenai Elementary and Sears Elementary schools.

Mr. Hobart stated that no decision will be made by the Board of Education without first informing parents affected, and thus providing an opportunity for their input.

FISCAL '78 BUDGET CALENDAR:

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Fiscal '78 Budget preparation dates are: February 23, 7:00 P.M., Work Session; March 7, 7:00 P.M., Public Hearing; March 21, 7:00 P.M., Adoption. All sessions will be held at the Borough Building, Soldotna.

ENROLLMENT & BUILDING NEEDS UP-DATE:

The Board concurred that the administration should up-date the Enrollment Projections and School Construction Needs Report for a five-year period to 1981-82, as expeditiously as possible.

ELEMENTARY COMPETITIVE POLICY ACTIVITIES EVALUATION:

Dr. Gallaher announced that the committee which developed the Elementary Competitive Activities Policy and Rules and Regulations, has accepted the responsibility for providing the evaluation requested by the Board of Education. He added that the evaluation will be completed before school is out.

CANDY, MAGAZINE SALES, ETC.:

Dr. Gallaher reported that a survey of 21 building administrators indicated nine schools engage in one or more door-to-door sales activites by students. He stated that no administrator felt the door-to-door sales were excessive in number for his/her school, and the group was nearly unanimous (18 to 1) against the Board banning all door-to-door sales by students.

**KPEA NEGOTIATIONS:** 

Mr. Hobart reported that the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District is the first school district to engage in marathon negotiation sessions. He stated that the session lasted 38½ hours. Some items were ageed upon; however, none of which involved money. He stated another negotiations session is scheduled for Thursday, February 24, at 5:00 P.M.

CLASSIFIED NEGOTIATIONS:

Mr. Glick reported that the Board's classified negotiations team and the classified representatives have met a total of five times. The classified representatives presented a new proposal at the last session. He requested an executive session to discuss the proposal as another meeting has been scheduled with the classified representatives.

IMMUNIZATIONS:

Dr. Hall requested Board concurrence for the suspension of those students who do not comply with the immunization requirements of the State of Alaska. He stated that per a directive from the State Department of Health and Social Services and the Commissioner of Education, a letter informing parents of the necessary immunizations of their child was mailed stating that they must comply with the immunization requirements by March 1. Those students who are not in compliance with the immunization requirements at that time, will be issued a notice of suspension and such information will be presented to the proper authorities.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to concur with the recommendation of Dr. Hall on the immunization program. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the suspension was mandated or recommended.

Dr. Hall stated that it was mandated.

Mrs. Brower inquired where the Board's obligation falls -- being legally responsible for providing the student with an education or seeing that they are immunized.

Dr. Hall stated that he has directed the nurses in the schools to accept a notarized statement from the parents that it is not their desire, because of a particular belief, to have their child immunized. When it becomes notarized it becomes an affidavit.

Mr. Hobart inquired if it will include a large number of students.

Dr. Hall stated that he believes it would be approximately 200.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he estimated it to be considerably higher.

Motion carried unanimously.

ACCREDITATION:

Dr. Hall stated that he recently attended a full week's workshop relating to the accreditation process, which in all probability will be adopted by the State Board of Education for school districts in Alaska. He stated that the State Department of Education will be allowing school districts to maintain autonomy to determine basic curriculum and their program of instruction.

CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE:

Mr. Ward reported that the final inspection for the Bob Bartlett School, Tyonek, will be held February 22, 1977. He stated that last week a meeting was held with the Borough Public Works Director, Architect, and School Administration to discuss color selections and final recommendations for change orders for the Seward High School. The target date for completion of that project is June, 1978. The swimming pool locker room floor at Kenai Central High School will be refinished during spring break. The finish will contain a rough surface to reduce an existing slippery condition. The corridor walls in the new addition at Soldotna Elementary will be covered with formica or a similar finish during spring break.

Mr. Ward stated that a request made by KPEA to install a limited number of car plug-ins at each school has been added to the Maintenance and Capital Improvements list. He stated that the Public Works Director has reviewed the list and placed a figure on a majority of the items.

Mr. Hobart stated that it was agreed in negotiations that the Board of Education recommend to the Borough Administration that a limited number of car plug-ins be installed at each school. It would primarily be for those who leave their vehicles over an extended period of time.

FIVE YEAR VO-ED PLAN:

Mr. Ward reported that Mr. Glick was appointed by the State Board and he was appointed by the Superintendent's Association to work on the Task Force in developing a five-year plan for Vocational Education. He stated that any materials or items the Board wishes to see incorporated, should be sent to Mr. Glick or himself. He added that the next meeting of the Task Force will be March 20. He stated it is going to take a lot of work to put the plan together as it is a different format and plan, and due to new federal regulations it has to be a five-year plan. Presently we are receiving about 1.2 million dollars. However, after it is split up in the various areas, we only have about \$200,000 left to work with. He stated that it is state as well as federal money.

CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE (Continued):

Mrs. Fischer inquired if in the recommendations for the Capital Improvements list the items starred and noted that they require an architect or an engineers assistance, if that would be the in-house architect and engineer that the Borough has under their employ?

Mr. Ward replied in the affirmative. He added that it is the Borough's responsibility to get the job completed for the least amount of money.

Mr. Hobart stated that if the Board agrees with the list it should be so stated and recommended that the Borough Assembly fund these.

Mr. Ward stated that a number of the items are already built into existing projects that architects have been working on for years.

CONSTRUCTION &
MAINTENANCE (Continued):
ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to accept the Capital Improvements and Maintenance Request List as submitted. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the improvements to the portables at Soldotna Elementary included the light covers?

Mr. Ward replied in the affirmative.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if bathroom vents, which were not included at the Cooper Landing School and have been recommended by the Department of Health, will be completed for that facility.

Mr. Ward stated that the item was on the list he reviewed today, and it also included vents for the small kitchen.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if that was the same for Kenai Elementary kitchen.

Mr. Ward replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Glick inquired if there had ever been a request submitted to repair the fence at Kenai Elementary.

Mr. Ward stated it had been for the past two years, and it will be added to this list.

Mr. Paul Fischer inquired if it was the intent of the Board to have all the items funded this year, or to have them prioritized and funded in that manner.

Mr. Ward stated that in the past the lists have been turned over to the Assembly, and we have some input in what we felt were high priorities. However, he had checked the list and marked Priority #1 and #2 on the items, and he will be meeting with Mr. Hakert tomorrow to review them further.

Mr. Hobart stated that the importance of the items should be determined by the school administration also, as they are the ones that know their immediate needs. He added that it is the Board's desire that they all be completed, at least to the extent possible.

Mr. Ward stated that the principals were given lists for their schools and requested to prioritize them and any items that have come up since the on-site trips were made.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Swarner presented the Board of Education with the January financial report.

Mrs. Ginnie Savoie stated the Advisory Committee's concern with the Soldotna Elementary situation. She urged the Board to find an alternative so that the children attending the Soldotna Elementary School may continue to do so.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

SOLDOTNA ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

RECESS:

At 8:30 P.M., a short recess was called.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 8:50 P.M., the Board reconvened in regular session.

SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY AND HOMER ELEMENTARY ARCHITECTS:

Mr. Ward called the Board's attention to an item on the Maintenance and Capital Improvements list which is an exercise room to be provided behind the present shower rooms at Soldotna Junior High School. He stated that presently there is much activity in the commons area on the carpet. Since there will be no additional facilities provided for some time in that area, this is one major item that has been requested. An estimated cost and sketches will be presented to the Board at a later date.

Mr. Ward stated the architectural firm "Design Group" has changed partners, and it will be necessary for the Board to ratify or select another firm to recommend to the Borough Assembly for employment to design the proposed Soldotna and Homer elementary schools. He added that the administration would recommend either Wirum & Associates or Kenneth Maynard & Associates.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to recommend to the Borough Assembly the employment of the firm Wirum and Associates, to design the proposed Soldotna and Homer elementary schools. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

DRAW FROM SICK LEAVE BANK:

Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of five days draw from the Sick Leave Bank for Bruce Forster and a one day draw for Patrick Dixon, subject to concurrence by the KPEA.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve five days draw from the Sick Leave Bank, covering the period January 31 thru February 4, for Bruce Forster, East Homer Elementary School; and one day draw from the Sick Leave Bank for Patrick Dixon, Kenai Junior High School, subject to concurrence by KPEA. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfers #76-106, #76-109, #76-110 and #76-111.

#76-106, Nikolaevsk Elementary School: from Account #01-038-800-000-426, Travel, to Account #01-038-605-000-453, Janitorial Supplies, \$300.00.

#76-109, Bob Bartlett School: from Account #01-001-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to Account #01-001-160-825-451, Teaching Supplies, \$400.00.

#76-110, English Bay School: from Account #01-034-100-000-510, Equipment - New, to Account #01-034-515-000-411, Postage, \$50.00.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-111, English Bay & Port Graham Schools: from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to Account #01-034-200-000-332, Classified Salaries - Substitute, \$104.00, and from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to Account #01-040-200-000-332, Classified Salaries - Substitute, \$104.00.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-106, #76-109, #76-110, and #76-111 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Mr. Hobart appointed Mrs. Cannava, Chairperson, Mrs. Brower, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Dr. Gallaher and himself to serve on the Transportation Committee.

SECONDARY CURRICULUM:

Dr. Hall stated as a follow-up of the report on accreditation process, the school district over the last four years has been involved in curriculum development and revision at the K-6 level and have met state requirements. At the same time, we have been working toward a complete revision of our secondary curriculum in the district. In order to accomplish that goal and to follow the accreditation process and procedures, on February 11, he sent a communication to Dr. Gallaher relating to secondary curriculum development/district goals/outline of procedures. The following Thursday they met with the administrators in the district to review the procedure with them. In order to begin the accrediting process and curriculum development at the secondary level, the following will take place: During the month of April members of the staff and the local administrator will sit down with each student and their parents to plan a program of instruction over the remaining years for the student. The purpose is to make a viable program of instruction, meeting the needs of students. Dr. Hall stated that it will take some time, and we realize that there will be changes as a student moves through school and changes occur in the student's goals and objectives. In order to follow the accreditation process, Dr. Hall will need to sit down with the Board of Education and discuss goals relative to the instructional program in the district. There has been a great deal of research done and one of those has been the Phi Delta Kappa research division in developing what is referred to as the PDK "Q" sort. A "Q" sort is the setting up of a qualitative distribution of goals. Those goals are prioritized and then a frequency distribution is set up. Dr. Hall will plan to use a questionnaire "Q" sort arrangement and after an assessment has been made of the prioritized goals, it will be necessary to compile them and do a statistical analysis of the relationship of input from the community, students, staff, and administrators and report the information to the Board, then proceed to contract with the National Center for Career Education and go into in-depth curriculum development. In order to complete this process, the time line would be the remainder of this school year and next school

SECONDARY CURRICULUM (Continued):

year. A time line projection will be four or five years. A primary task, following the above mentioned process of developing goals, is to access the present course offerings and curriculum grades 7-12 for a determination as to eliminating or strengthening the various course offerings of the secondary program. He added that at this time he feels there are a number of irrelevant courses in grades 7-12 offered to the students. The whole focal point of curriculum development at the secondary level will meet students needs.

Mrs. Fischer requested examples of some of the student's needs that would be expressed.

Dr. Hall stated we are looking at a situation that perhaps at Kenai Central High School, out of the total student population, we would have as much as 20% of that student body thinking in terms of college preparatory. By the beginning of the college term, we may have 10% enrolled and then by the first semester there may be less than 5%. We need to meet the needs of those students, comprising 80-85% of our student body, that have other goals. When he uses the term Career Education he is not talking about vocational education since vocational education is a subcategory of career education.

He added we need to, through an advisory program, meet the needs of students by providing the courses that will help reach students regardless of goals.

Mrs. Fischer inquired as what is expected as a need for a 7th grade student.

Dr. Hall stated that the curriculum for a 7th or 8th grade student is pretty well tied down. We need to talk to the student more in terms of electives. Starting at 9th grade they must begin to acquire the 20 credits required by the school district for graduation plus the additional credits for whatever career concept they may have after completion of high school.

Mrs. Fischer stated but the child according to this scheduling is to project his/her needs for the next five years.

Dr. Hall stated that when a student enters the 9th grade there would be a reevaluation. At Kenai Central High School they will deal with the three grade levels, 10, 11 and 12. The junior high schools will deal with those students in grade 7, 8 and 9, and in those schools with K-12 students they can project a full program.

Dr. Gallaher stated that they do have the opportunity to reevaluate.

Mrs. Fischer stated then basically the projection will indicate if they are inclined for vocational type programs, academic, secretarial, etc.



SECONDARY CURRICULUM (Continued):

Dr. Hall stated that he did not like to split it up that fine because a number of students should develop a program that would include all aspects of the instructional program.

Mrs. Fischer stated actually you feel the needs of the students would be more of defining what they expect to do after high school.

Dr. Hall stated that is part of it. He added that the primary reason we exist in the field of education, and particularly public schools, is for basic skill development. He stated that he realizes there are other entities of this business of learning; however, our primary objective is to make sure that a student has all of the basic skills necessary in order to be a functional citizen and carry out the goals that that individual has. If we side track from there by adding other entities to our instructional program, we are doing the students an injustice.

Mr. Hobart stated if nothing else it gets the students thinking in terms of their goals and starts motivating them.

Mrs. Brower inquired as to how much counseling the 7th and 8th grade students would be receiving as far as what would be necessary from some of the present occupations.

Dr. Hall stated that as much as can be given, however, it is limited. He stated that we do have a great deal of resource material in the area of career education and that it is being utilized by a number of the 7th and 8th grade teachers.

Mrs. Brower inquired if it would be available to the parents at the time the students, parents and teacher plan these things.

Dr. Hall stated as much as possible.

Mr. Deutschlander stated that they are planning to issue a condensed version of the course descriptions that will have three or four lines about every subject area. He stated they will be distributed to the students to take home so that the parents may also see it. He added that the administration at Kenai Central is planning on two parent's meetings, particularly for the 9th graders entering the 10th grade, so that before students register the parents will be able to ask any questions they feel pertinent.

Dr. Hall stated the first thing that needs to be done is to meet with the Board of Education and go through goals and objectives for the instructional program.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if there would be any skill testing before the child makes up his/her schedules so that he/she has realistic goals and aspirations.

SECONDARY CURRICULUM (Continued):

Dr. Hall stated that somewhere along that line within the overall testing program we will deal with instruments that will give some indication of student skills. However, those instruments are not very valid for the most part and they are used primarily as a means for discussion. He stated that what we really need to do is to bring together the necessary instructional materials that will allow students to look at all the various career concepts under a category.

Mrs. Fischer inquired how we would measure his/her capabilities or interest to coincide with these careers?

Dr. Hall stated through the advisory program with interaction between the student, staff, parents and local administrators.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if there would be any testing such as the Kuder Preference Test done at an earlier date to give indication of their capabilities?

Dr. Hall stated that it could very well be given at an earlier date. He added that one of the junior high schools is administering them prior to 9th grade.

Dr. Hall requested Board concurrence of the proposal so that he could inform the State Department of Education that this would be the process used relating to the accreditation process and the revision of the secondary curriculum.

ACTION

The Board concurred with the Program and Procedures for Secondary Curriculum Development and agreed to have a meeting on March 5, 1977, at 9:00 A.M., Borough Building, to discuss the Secondary Curriculum Development/District Goals/Outline of Procedure.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall recommended approval of five students to the Alternate Study Program.

ACTION

Mrs. Owens moved to approve the students to the Alternate Study Program as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESIGNATION:

Dr. Gallaher recommended accepting the resignation of Edith H. Rust, Counselor, Ninilchik Elem/High School, effective May 27, 1977. He stated that Mrs. Rust has had 23 years of teaching experience, two of which have been with the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District.

ACTION

Mrs. Morris moved to accept the resignation of Mrs. Edith Rust, Counselor, Ninilchik Elem/High School, effective May 27, 1977. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

RECOGNITION OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT CLASSIFIED ASSOCIATION:

ACTION

Mr. Ward stated that the Board of Education was presented with a letter and petition filed by the classified employees at the last Board meeting. He stated that the names on the petition represent more than 50% of the classified staff. Mr. Ward read the Preamble and Article I of the Constitution.

Mr. Glick moved to recognize the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Classified Association and to place the Association on the agenda under item 9, and mail copies of Board minutes and agendas to the Association's officers. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Dr. Hall stated that it is necessary that there be a statement in the Association's constitution relative to Title IX.

Mr. Glick moved to include that the Board recognize the Association subject to inclusion of Title IX in the constitution. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Mr. Hobart questioned whether the petition met the policy that the Board established in 1975.

Mr. Ward stated that he thought it did.

Mr. Hobart suggested adding that the Association will remain in effect as long as it complies with the present Labor Relations Policy.

Mr. Glick moved to add that the Association will remain in effect as long as it complies with the present Labor Relations Policy. Mrs. Morris seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

NIKOLAEVSK MAKE-UP TIME:

Dr. Gallaher stated that due to a malfunction of the furnace at Nikolaevsk School there was some time lost by the students. He stated that students came to school on January 17 but were later dismissed. The school was closed on January 18. Since January 21 was an in-service day, the teachers at Nikolaevsk held their in-service on Wednesday, January 19, and there was sufficient heat in the building on the 20th and 21st for regular school. The actual amount of time lost by the students was little more than one day. To make up the time lost, the staff proposes to extend the school day 30 minutes from February 21 to March 9. Dr. Gallaher recommended that the Board of Education approve the extension of each school day from February 21 to March 9 by 30 minutes.

Mrs. Fischer moved to approve the extension of the school day by 30 minutes from February 21 to March 9 for the Nikolaevsk School to make up time lost due to a furnace malfunction. Mrs. Owens

seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION

TITLE I:

Dr. Hall stated that it is necessary at this time to present to the State Department of Education and HEW, the district's request for a grant under the Title I Tutor Program for FY 78 amounting to \$193,103. He stated that requirements of the law state that the administration must have concurrence of the Board of Education in submitting a request for a grant.

ACTION

The Board concurred with submitting the request for a grant for the Title I, Tutor Program for FY 78, to the State Department of Education.

RECOMMENDATION OF HEARING PANEL:

Dr. Hall stated that a Hearing Panel was convened on February 16, 1977, for the purpose of reviewing a request of parents and a student relating to 3-day suspension and a seven-day probationary period. Dr. Hall recommended that the Board accept the recommendation of the Hearing Panel, which is three days suspension with seven days probation, or a full five days suspension as stipulated in the KCHS student handbook.

ACTION

Mrs. Owens moved to accept the recommendation of the Hearing Panel regarding student disciplinary action. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

GENERAL PURPOSE: BUILDING TRADES PROGRAM KCHS: Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hobart inquired if a building lot had been secured for the Building Trades Program at Kenai Central High School.

Mr. Ward stated that the new Public Works Director was to write him a letter three weeks ago concerning this. He stated that it was presented to the planning commission. The lots east of the existing vocational facility of which the committee requested consideration, start at \$15,000. He stated that the city does have some lots coming up for sale in the near future. However, at this point they have not secured anything.

Mr. Glick stated that the sale will be held in March. However, there is no information available as to what is for sale as it is land on which taxes have not been paid and the owners have until March 4th to pay them.

Mr. Ward stated that one member of the House Committee is planning to look at three acres across from the high school, and since he/she does work for a firm, the firm may purchase the land and sell us one of the lots.

Mr. Hobart stated if the price is right, we could use more than one lot.

PURCHASES OF FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that due to the fact that it was not desirable for a member of the administration to be present at the meeting of the School Board and the committee of the Assembly on Saturday, February 19, he would like clarification on purchasing procedures and the outcome of the meeting.

Mr. Hobart stated that his interpretation of the meeting last Saturday, was that if the Board went back to the previous way purchases were done, there would be agreement with the Assembly and the Board of Education. He added the procedure would be to contain the item, name of the vendor if possible, bid price or approximate price, and that it be submitted to the Board prior to purchase. Mr. Hobart stated that in essence the Board could eliminate the procedure adopted. However, it did have a definition of capital equipment and there is some advantage to that.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he could not accept listing the successful vendor nor proposed vendor if we go to bid prior to Board approval. He stated that he sees nothing wrong with going to bid. He added that we cannot name a vendor prior to awarding a bid.

Mrs. Fischer suggested that at the time a school is planned a list of all items that should go into that school be approved by the Board for buying the items and then when the administration goes to bid on the items bring the list back to the Board for the acceptance of the items as bid.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that if you're saying make a total complete list to bid right off, there is no way it can be done.

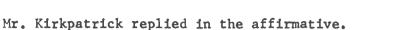
Mrs. Fischer stated that she meant the list be compiled with all items we feel should go into the building, and when it is time to buy the list would be brought to the Board as done in the past.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board is trying to avoid running back and forth with lists to the Borough. He stated that at the time Mr. Kirkpatrick would present the list there may be items that have a firm bid. However, some do not, and he will have an estimated price that he will not exceed. He cannot very well list vendors at that time because he will not know who the vendors will be, and it would not be fair to other vendors to so specify. Basically, what we would be doing with this one list is approving the purchase, whether or not items will be needed, and whether we desire them in that particular building. This is what Mr. Hobart understood at that meeting would be acceptable.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he could accept indicating an approximate total amount of installment as was originally done, the original appropriated amount, the approximate project balance, the quantity of items, a brief item description, approximate cost of each item, and then accept the definition submitted to the Borough Mayor, which basically states that anything under \$25 is not capital and supplying expected successful vendor or an actual cost.

PURCHASES OF FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION (Continued):

Mr. Hobart inquired if there would be times when a vendor is known and a cost?



Mr. Fischer stated that item #3 of the purchasing procedure adopted by the Board was the one item in contention, "The equipment will be listed by name and quantity". He stated that his interpretation was that the committees wanted it to read, "The equipment will be listed by name, quantity, price, and successful or suggested vendor", thereby giving the Board the determination as to whom the bid is awarded. He added that there were questions raised concerning purchasing items with a life expectancy of only one year with bond money that is bonded for twenty years. He added that he personally feels it should be more than one year. He stated that he can accept, and will try to get the Assembly to accept, the change in #3 to the purchasing procedure to read, "The equipment will be listed by name, quantity, price and successful or recommended bidder prior to approval". He stated that is what he thought we were basically in agreement to on Saturday.

Mr. Hobart stated that he had written on item #3, "...estimated price and possible vendor". However, when suggesting that to Dr. Gallaher he said that we would run into trouble suggesting possible vendors because we might have three or four involved and we would be creating ill feeling among the vendors.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the resolution in contention by the Borough does not say anything about the price or vendor. It merely states that there will be a list of items. Therefore, why are we injecting so much more than what the resolution calls for?

Mr. Fischer stated that there is an attempt being made to throw out the resolution. However, if that is not done there is a possibility the resolution will be amended to state, "...upon approval by the Borough Assembly". He added that he personally did not feel the Assembly should get that involved.

Mr. Glick stated his interpretation of the meeting was that the Board go back to the way the purchases were made previously except that we would never give approval after the fact.

Mrs. Morris stated that she was in agreement with the list reviewed last Saturday. She added that the list did contain a vendor and a price. She stated that she is willing to go along with an estimated price as long as that estimated price is not exceeded. She stated that the bidders name is not necessary, however, an estimated price should not be exceeded. The list should be submitted prior to the bid being awarded, and the items purchased should be necessary.

Mr. Fischer stated that then the administration can put an estimate of \$10,000 for a flagpole, and of course they are going to be able to go under that.

Mrs. Morris stated that the Board would notice a \$10,000 estimate for a flagpole as being unreasonable.



MEETING IN HOMER OR SEWARD:

Mrs. Owens suggested the Board of Education hold a regularly scheduled meeting at Homer or Seward before school is out.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she had qualms about that. She suggested that different Board members attend advisory school committee meetings rather than have a School Board meeting other than in Soldotna. She added that there is some criticism from the public when the Board holds their meetings elsewhere.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board of Education has done this in the past.

Mr. Glick stated that if a decision is made this far in advance the public will be well aware of it.

Mrs. Fischer stated that at the meeting held in Homer last year the Administrative Salaries were approved and some of the public were dissatisfied with this.

Mr. Hobart stated that the meetings are open to the public and the people could have traveled to Homer to attend the meeting.

Dr. Gallaher stated that since his arrival there has been no School Board meeting held in Seward.

Mrs. Owens moved that the Board of Education hold a regularly scheduled meeting May 2 in Seward. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Glick, Morris, Owens, Brower, Hobart NO - Fischer

Motion carried.

EVALUATION OF CENTRAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATORS:

Mrs. Fischer stated that she recalls last year an instrument was going to be developed for the evaluation of Central Office administrators. She inquired if that had been done?

Dr. Hall stated that those evaluations are up to the Board of Education and the District Superintendent of Schools. The instruments developed were for the evaluation of teachers and administrators, not Central Office administrators.

DRIVER EDUCATION:

Mr. Hobart inquired if there would be any figures available for the budget for the Driver Education Program.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that there would be.

Mr. Kirkpatrick recommended that the administration make a list of the furniture requirements for new construction with the item, quantity, submit it to the Borough and let them purchase it.

Mr. Hobart stated that that was one of his recommendations to the Assembly committee in the workshop, however, there was no concurrence.

ACTION

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: NORTH KENAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

Mr. Bill Foster stated that a teacher at the North Kenai Elementary School slapped his child last year. At that time he thought something was going to be done about it. However, to date, no action has been taken.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the child was not getting along with the teacher at the time and he did talk to Mr. Beauchamp and the teacher.

Mr. Foster stated that he has removed his children from the North Kenai School and does not plan to place them in the public schools again.

Mr. Hobart stated that Dr. Gallaher will look into the matter again, and if someone failed to acknowledge the situation or contact Mr. Foster it must have been an oversite, as this does not normally happen.

PURCHASING OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Fischer inquired if he could report to the Assembly that the Board of Education will make purchases for equipment and furniture for new facilities as was done in the past.

Mr. Hobart stated that the October, 1976, list was the one mentioned in reference at the meeting on Saturday. Mrs. Douglas had a copy, and it was brought up at that time that that would be sufficient.

Dr. Gallaher suggested Mr. Kirkpatrick provide Mr. Fischer with a copy of the October, 1976, list of furniture and equipment purchases.

Mr. Fischer suggested Mr. Kirkpatrick be present at the next Assembly meeting to answer questions.

Dr. Hall stated that since the Board did approve a procedure for purchase, for that to be changed, it will be necessary that the Board of Education be presented with something in writing of the change for their consideration and necessary action. He added until such time that this is done, the present procedure for purchases as adopted by the Board stands.

Mr. Hobart recommended that something in writing be drawn up to the effect that purchases will be made as was done in the past, whether there was a known price at that time or not.

The Board concurred that something be drawn up in writing regarding the purchases of furniture and equipment for new construction.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the administration will take the list referred to and develop something in writing.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** 

At 10:40 P.M., Mr. Glick moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters, the immediate knowledge of which would adversely affect the finances of the borough. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 11:33 P.M., the executive session was adjourned.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION:

At 11:38 P.M., Mrs. Brower moved that the Board reconvene in regular session. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

PURCHASES OF FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Hobart stated that purchases of equipment for new school facilities will follow the format of its October 18, 1976, "Request For Approval of Purchase" to the Board of Education which document was reviewed and agreed upon as adequate by the Borough Assembly Committee and the Board of Education at a meeting on February 19, 1977. Further: 1) no purchase will be made until such requests have been approved by the Board of Education and the approval for purchase transmitted to Borough Officials, and 2) in instances where the bid price is higher than the estimate provided, approval by the Board of Education will be obtained before purchase is made.

ADJOURN:

At 11:42 P.M., by general consent of the Board, the School Board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, .Clerk

The minutes of February 21, 1977, were approved with corrections on March 7, 1977.



## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

#### March 7, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services
Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.
Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Justin Maile Mrs. Judy Dragseth Mr. Patrick O'Connell

Mr. Tommy Corr Mr. Paul Fischer

Mrs. Catherine Parker

Mrs. Betsy Staley Mrs. Dody Tachick Mrs. Gail Sibson Mrs. Mary Keck

Mr. Bill Haywood Mrs. Joyce Thompson Mrs. Sandi Cass

Mrs. Kathy Prince
Mrs. Linda Tester
Mr. Guy Stringham
Mr. Tom Murphy

Mr. Dave Forbes Mr. Kris Rogers Mr. Clark Whitney

Mr. Greg Daniels
Mrs. Janice Fairchild

Mrs. Lenore Jones Mr. Ed Hakert Mr. Ron Campbell

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:10 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava
Mrs. Joyce Fischer
Mr. Carl Glick
Mrs. Sandra Morris
Mrs. Sheila Owens
Mr. Jerry Hobart
Present
Present
Present
Present
Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The School Board minutes of February 21, 1977, were approved with the following correction:

COMMUNICATION & PETITIONS: CLASSIFIED NEGOTIATIONS: KPEA NEGOTIATIONS, Page 4, line 1, add - in the State of Alaska.

Mr. Hobart acknowledged receipt of Amendment #1 to the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Classified Association's Constitution to meet the guidelines of Title IX from Gail Sibson, President, Pro Tem, and a communication from Gail Sibson, President, Pro Tem, stating that the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Classified Association is waiting to return to the negotiations table.

DRIVER EDUCATION:

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board of Education requested from Mr. Ray Coxe information relative to insurance discounts for students having taken Driver Education. He stated that he received a communication from Mary Jo Towne, President, Insurance Women of Anchorage, with information concerning the discounts available on auto insurance premiums for completion of Drivers Training by high school students. Nationwide Insurance Company, State Farm Insurance and Insurance Company of North America give 10% discounts for high school students who have taken Drivers Education. However, the student must have completed the required classroom and behind-the-wheel driving. A discount is also given to students having a grade average of B or better. Mr. Hobart stated the most noticeable discount is for male drivers having completed the course.

KPEA NEGOTIATIONS:

Mr. Hobart stated that the KPEA Negotiations Team and the Board's Negotiation Team met and had a marathon session the middle of February, and on February 24 they met for five hours. The mutual agreement was to go to mediation. He stated that tentative agreements were reached on thirteen items. However, they are far from agreeing on salaries, class size, and association rights and privileges. The Board has offered in excess of \$600,000 in salaries and benefits.

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL:

Mr. Glick stated that the Board's Negotiations Team and the Classified Personnel Negotiations Team have met five times and at the fifth meeting the Board made a substantial offer and the Classified Team counteroffered. The counteroffer was perused by the Board and a figure was arrived at. However at the sixth meeting the offer was not discussed due to the presence of an "outsider". Mr. Glick stated the Board's team is strictly composed of employees of the school district and they objected to an "outsider" attending the meeting.

PAA SALARY DISCUSSIONS:

Mr. Glick stated that the Board's team met with the PAA committee February 13th and at that time the PAA presented its proposed package. There is a meeting scheduled for March 9th.

IMMUNIZATIONS:

In accordance with directions from the Department of Health and Social Services on March 1, 1977, Notices of Suspension were written to 295 parents relative to their children. As of 4:00 P.M., this date, the number was reduced to 102 students or 2% of the student body not meeting the requirements of State Law regarding immunizations.

BUS CONTRACTS:

Mrs. Cannava stated that an organizational meeting was held on Saturday at 8:00 A.M., with one of the bus contractors, Burton Carver Company. However, the Board also has to consider three other areas of negotiations. She stated that the Transportation Committee met with Art Rasmusson and Tony Miller and laid ground rules and set up a negotiations session for Friday, March 11, at 5:00 P.M.

Mrs. Gail Sibson, President, Pro Tem, for the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Classified Association brought to the attention of the Board of Education, a letter mailed to each member on March 1, requesting that the Board's Team and the Classified Negotiations Team return to the negotiating table and resume negotiations with respective consultants. Mrs. Sibson stated there is a feeling the Classified Association's consultant is an "outsider" and that he should not be present during negotiations. She added that the Association chose Mr. Guy Stringham as consultant due to his long history with educational problems of the district and because he seemed best qualified. Mrs. Sibson stated at the time the Classified Association requested a consultant the Board agreed to it with two stipulations: 1) it would not cost the district any money, and 2) he/she would not act as spokesman for the Association. She stated, however, that the Association did not agree that he could not come into the negotiations sessions. inquired why the School Board and KPEA have the privilege of having consultants in negotiations sessions, but the Classified Association does not have that same right.

Mr. Glick stated that the Classified Association has the right to have consultants. However, the Board's team consists of employees of the school district and, as he interprets the policy, the people negotiating in this particular instance must be employees of the school district. He added that he made the offer to have the Board's consultants leave the negotiating table, even though they had been there since the first meeting.

Mrs. Sibson stated that she finds no mention of anything regarding consultants in the Labor Relations Policy.

Mr. Hobart recommended the spokesman for both negotiating teams meet to resolve the problem so that they may return to the negotiating table.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Board and Administration are well aware that this is the time at which the public hearing of the budget for fiscal '78 is to be conducted. He stated many hours have gone into the preparation for the budget. Preparation began in November with building administrators and staff. He stated that the Board of Education has met in four work sessions and this evening have a preliminary, but detailed draft of the document. The proposed budget, as of this date, continues all existing programs except the Intern Principal program and the Elementary Counseling program. It provides for additional personnel, especially classroom teachers, secretaries and custodians. It also expands the Community Schools

K.P.B.S.D.C.A.:

**BUDGET HEARING:** 

BUDGET HEARING (Continued):

Program, Swimming Program, Special Services Program, and the Community College Program. In addition there has been added to the Budget, a Media Center, Computer Instruction, Microfilming, Driver Training, and Hockey Programs for Kenai Central High School and Homer High School. Further, it provides monies in various categories for increases in salaries of personnel and increases in the fringe benefits. It increases the allotments for extracurricular activities, equipment, supplies and textbooks. The public hearing tonight is the final session in the preparation of the budget. Two weeks from tonight the Board of Education will adopt the budget for fiscal '78 and then transmit it to Borough Officials before April 1, as required by law. The budget presently provides for a total expenditure of \$17,527,029; of that amount approximately 4.5 million dollars will be requested from local effort. This represents a 22% increase in local effort this year as compared with an increase last year of 41%.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board of Education delayed any decision on the activity busses at the last workshop. He added that the Board was presented with a memorandum and justification regarding a new replacement bus for Seward in the amount of \$21,500. He stated regarding activity busses, it was believed that the Homer area bus could operate without any additional costs, but there would be additional costs for a bus for the Kenai, Soldotna, Sterling, Tustumena area.

Mr. Glick inquired if the cost of Seward bus is reimbursable from the State over a period of years.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that over a seven-year period, the district would be reimbursed 90% of the cost.

By general consent, the Board of Education agreed to add \$21,500 to the fiscal '78 budget for a bus for the Seward area.

Mr. Hobart inquired if Mr. Kirkpatrick had any additional figures regarding costs of the activity busses.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he thought \$40,000 was the last figure arrived at.

Mr. Hobart inquired if that would be for three busses.

Mr. Kirkpatrick replied in the affirmative.

Mrs. Brower stated that she thought there were to be only two busses.

Mr. Hobart stated that he thought it was decided that one bus could not handle this entire area.

Mrs. Owens stated that she did not feel it was the responsibility of the school district to provide activity busses.

ACTION

BUDGET HEARING (Continued):

Mrs. Cannava stated that she was concerned with the supervision of students at the drop off points until they are picked up by the parents.

Mrs. Brower stated that from input she has received, a number of parents are willing to volunteer as chaperones at the drop off points until the students are picked up.

VOTE: Three extra-curricular activity busses - \$40,000 (With the understanding that if the problems become greater than the value of the activity busses, they will be discontinued.)

YES - Morris, Glick, Fischer, Cannava, Brower, Hobart NO - Owens

Mrs. Fischer inquired why there was a \$24,000 increase in the Community Schools - classified salaries.

Dr. Hall stated that most Community Schools Directors have a degree in Community School or Recreational Activities. By hiring an employee with the training background it does cost the district a higher salary level; however, the employees are more apt to stay with the district a full year.

Mrs. Fischer requested justification for the high travel budget for the Community Schools Program.

Dr. Hall stated that this includes the Coordinator's travel for coordinating all the schools, and much of the cost is in bringing the directors to Soldotna for in-service training which includes per diem.

Mrs. Fischer stated that it is approximately double the in-district travel.

Dr. Hall stated that amount is an estimate and it does not necessarily mean it will be spent.

Mrs. Fischer stated that in the category, Other Supplies, there is \$44,000 and then there is \$7,000 for equipment. She inquired as to the type of supplies and equipment this involved.

Dr. Hall stated that it involves the equipment of the various Community Schools Directors, and offices and programs in the schools.

Mr. Swarner stated that there is \$400 for the Coordinator's office and \$6,500 for the individual Community School.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if a few of the in-service workshops could be eliminated since the district is going to be paying for highly qualified directors.

Dr. Hall stated that it would be quite possible and he will make every effort to see that it is done.

BUDGET HEARING (Continued):

Mr. Kenneth Castner, Title I Tutor, East Homer Elementary, suggested that somewhere in the budget the Board provide for counseling for the elementary grades. He added that it would not take more than a half-time person to handle this at East Homer and it would be dollars well spent.

Dr. Hall stated that the district is still planning to provide the contractual services with the Mental Health Association in the Homer area.

Mr. Hobart inquired if the counseling would continue at the same rate that it is presently.

Dr. Hall replied in the affirmative stating that the district is projecting full contractual arrangements through the Special Services budget, in addition to having our own staff available to work with teachers.

Mr. Paul Fischer stated that he is glad to see that the Hockey programs for Kenai Central High and Homer High School are still in the budget. However, he suggested to make it more equitable, that all the high schools be able to add another activity for an equivalent amount.

Mr. Hobart stated that he does not believe the other areas had requested any additional programs.

Dr. Gallaher stated that tenure teachers are those teachers who have been with the school district for two or more years, have the proper certification, and have been reemployed at least through the third term. The list consists of 212 teachers which is more than 2/3 of the instructional staff. He recommended that the Board concur with salary notices and tentative assignments of the Tenure Teachers for the fiscal year 1978. They are as follows:

SALARY & TENTATIVE ASSIGNMENT TENURE TEACHERS:

Anchor Point
Shirley Henwood
Mary Schollenberg

Walter Thomas

Bob Bartlett
Margaret Dancy

Charles Simons

East Homer

Deloris Babcock
Carol Deitz
Ruth Gnad
Arlene Gordon
Elizabeth Johnson
Arlene Ronda
Deborah Smith
Mahlon Stoltzfus
Ernest Suoja

Homer Jr/Sr High

Stephen Andersen Victor Andre-Jeff Todd Bracht Daniel Calhoun Velton Cason Donovan Harrison Raymond Harry Anderson Johnson Lois Jones Frank Libal Emma McCune Janet Morris Carol Moss Charles A. Poindexter Charles J. Poindexter Donald Ronda David Schroer Mary Thompson Rosalie Tupper Gene Williams

SALARY & TENTATIVE ASSIGNMENT TENURE TEACHERS (Continued):

## Kenai Central High

Thomas Ackerly Gary Alexander Irene Andersen George Anderson John Ballentine Gary Beaty James Bishop Roy Brown Michael Burgener Dorius Carlson Faith Chase Michael Christian Shirley Denison Leonard Efta David Forbes Lewis Greer Jerry Hanson Renee Henderson\* Janiece Knight June Kohler Renae Larson Nora Mahoney Cliff Massie Lois Massie Kevan Nve Donald Oberg Patrick O'Connell Dennis Ostrander Robert Richardson\* Margaret Simon John Stengl Keith Tanaka Peggy Thompson Georgia. Alexander

#### Kenai Elementary

Iola Banks
Dorothy Besch
Janet Brown
Spencer DeVito
Rosella Drew
Rita Giesler
Joyce Gilman\*
Joyce Griffin
Devon Martin
Marjorie O'Reilly
Robert Richardson\*
Judith Salo
Robert Salo\*
Ruben Sublett

#### Kenai Junior High

Roberta Beauchamp James Giesler James Goltz Eunice Gordon Richard Hallmark Boyd Holland Kathleen Heus Lawrence Large William Mattson Louise Mika Claramae Moore Von Phillips John Pierson Frank Riedel Larry Ruckel Raymond Tinjum Eula Vickery Donna Wilcox

## Moose Pass Elementary

Hilda Stephens

## Nikolaevsk Elementary

Shirley Forquer Don Bailey Joy Strunk

#### Ninilchik Elem/High

Thane Curry

Stuart Florey
John Lindeman (Sabbatical Lv.)
Isla Ledbetter
Frank Miller
Karen Maze
George Morrison
Tirzah Parsons
Elmer Schaetzle
Darwin Waldsmith

#### North Kenai Elementary

Carol Ambarian
Judith Ballentine
John Brown
Dorothy Eby
Norma Fant
John Fant
Joyce Gilman\*
Jane Hammond
Julie Large

SALARY & TENTATIVE
ASSIGNMENT TENURE
TEACHERS (Continued):

North Kenai Elem. (Continued)

Thomas Murphy
Phyllis Quellette
Anna Ritter
Wallace Sidback
Robert Salo\*

Port Graham Elementary
Sherry Nauta

Sears Elementary

Anne Fraser
Virginia Hallmark
Renee Henderson\*
Charmion Jeffries
Jean Kimple
Nina Knight
Elizabeth Koch
Daphne McLane
Jane Mattson
Coressa Mercereau
Kathryn Olson
Barbara Schmidt
Martha Snyder
Joy Ward

Seward Elementary

Edwina Copeland
Johnnie Crisp
Virginia Dec
Daniel Greer (Lv. of Absence)
Anna Hatch
Richard Hultberg
Gerald Irvin
Eileen Kulin
Alex Rule\*
Elsie Whitmore

Seward High

Dale Clemens
June Daniel
William Daniel
Robert Hill
Joanne Hoogland
Donald Mai
Lee Poleske
Alex Rule\*
Daniel Seavey
Sharon Traber

Soldotna Elementary

Coral Allen Naomi Anderson Deborah Best Dorris Brewer Jean Brockel Lucretiaa Carter Winifred Crane Theresa Jelacic Susan Jelsma Margaret Kaleva Duncan Kishbaugh Bruce McGuiness Carolyn Ostrander Charles Prescott Gladys Prescott Susan Rogers Gerry Tullos Lou Jean Tullos Wanda Shannon

Soldotna Junior High

Nathan Bagley
Irvin Crane
Robert DeVolld
Susan Dursin
Deward Halsey
Charles Jackson
Kenneth Larson
Kathleen McDowell
Sherry McGuiness
LaVern Wahl
Lorraine Worley

Sterling Elementary

James Brickey
Eugene Dursin
Ruth Knorr
Beverly Wahl

Susan B. English

Rex Edwards
Rodney Hilts
Susan Mumma
Sheryl McMichael
Jon McMichael
Hugh Smith
Sally Smith

SALARY & TENTATIVE
ASSIGNMENT TENURE
TEACHERS (Continued):

Tustumena Elementary
Kay Estle
Mildred Griffing
Joan Lahndt
Trena Richardson

District-Wide
Catherine Bishop
Tommye Corr
Ruth Murdock
Anne Rogers

Administrative District-Wide

Charles Craig Stanley Long Kris Rogers William Schrier Beth Taeschner

\*Listed in two schools

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the list of Tenure Teachers as recommended by Dr. Gallaher. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Glick, Brower, Cannava, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF BUILDING ADMINISTRATORS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of the tentative appointment of Building Administrators for the fiscal year 1978. He stated there are three Teachers-In-Charge, three Head Teachers, two Teaching Principals, four Vice Principals, and thirteen Principals. He added that the appointments are for a period of one year. They are as follows:

John Jones, Head Teacher, Anchor Point Elementary Dr. Clifford Myers, Teaching Principal, Bob Bartlett Elem/High Gary Woodburn, Teacher-In-Charge, Cooper Landing Elementary Dr. Steve Hikel, Principal, East Homer Elementary Thomas Maughan, Principal, Homer Jr/Sr High Victor Varick, Vice-Principal, Homer Jr/Sr High Gary Deutschlander, Principal, Kenai Central High School Gregory Daniels, Vice-Principal, Kenai Central High School Dillon Kimple, Principal, Kenai Elementary Rodger Schmidt, Principal, Kenai Junior High Richard Carignan, Vice-Principal, Kenai Junior High Steve Wilcox, Teacher-In-Charge, Moose Pass Elementary Kenneth Moore, Head Teacher, Nikolaevsk Elementary Stan Friese, Principal, Ninilchik Elem/High Marc Beauchamp, Principal, North Kenai Elementary Larry Nauta, Teacher-In-Charge, Port Graham Elementary Virginia Maesner, Principal, Sears Elementary Elizabeth Richardson, Principal, Seward Elementary Jim Martin, Principal, Seward High Clark Whitney, Principal, Soldotna Elementary Leonard Olson, Vice-Principal, Soldotna Elementary Arthur Motz, Principal, Soldotna Junior High Charley Griffin, Teaching Principal, Sterling Elementary Thomas Overman, Principal, Susan B. English Elem/Highh Al Besch, Head Teacher, Tustumena Elementary

APPOINTMENT OF BUILDING

Mr. Glick moved to approve the tentative appointments of Building ADMINISTRATORS (Continued): Administrators for a period of one year as outlined. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Owens, Morris, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

RECESS:

A short recess was called at 8:15 P.M.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

The Board reconvened in regular session at 8:45 P.M.

PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR NEW FACILITIES:

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that since purchases in the area of new facilities and new construction are temporarily suspended until such time as the administration is given direction, the administration would recommend a policy or resolution be formulated by the Board in regards to purchase of equipment for new facilities.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved that Purchases of Equipment For New School Facilities will follow the format of the attached material in the Agenda Packet of March 7, 1977. Further: 1) no purchase will be made until such requests have been approved by the Board of Education and the approved for purchases list transmitted to Borough Officials; and 2) in instances where the bid or purchase price is higher than the estimate provided, approval by the Board of Education will be obtained before purchase is made. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the attached list was following the format of the October 18, 1975 list.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that the attached is a part of that list.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she was confused then on Item #2, "in instances where the bid or purchase price is higher than the estimate provided", whereas there was not an estimate in the October bid, she inquired how this tied in.

Dr. Gallaher stated that in instances where an item was listed, not bid, but estimated, it would be so designated.

Mr. Hobart stated that in talking with Mr. Kirkpatrick earlier he mentioned that at least 90% of the time there would be a bid price that the Board would be approving, but in some cases there would be just estimates. However, in those instances if the bid price exceeds the estimated price, no purchases would be made prior to its coming back to the Board for approval.

YES - Morris, Owens, Glick, Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfer #76-113.

#76-113, Soldotna Elementary School from Account #01-043-515-000-454, Office of the School Principal -Office Supplies, to Account #01-043-605-000-453, Operation & Maintenance of Plant - Janitorial Supplies, \$200.00.

Mrs. Fischer moved to approve Budget Transfer #76-113 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher recommended accepting the resignations of Patricia D. Johnson, Special Education, Soldotna Jr. High School, effective March 2, 1977; and Mary P. Quinn, Susan B. English Elem/High School, effective May 27, 1977.

Mrs. Owens moved to accept the resignations of Patricia D. Johnson, Special Education, Soldotna Jr. High School, effective March 2, 1977; and Mary P. Quinn, Susan B. English Elem/High School, effective May 27, 1977, as recommended. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ward recommended that the present Seward High School be retained and maintained by the Borough so that the facility may be used some time in the future for educational purposes. He stated that a number of people and organizations have already inquired as to the plans for the present high school facility once the new building is occupied. He stated that with oil exploration and production possibilities the population in the Seward area could explode in a short period of time, and there would be a need for this facility before another building could be constructed in that city.

Mrs. Fischer suggested holding action until the May 2 meeting which is to be held in Seward. She added that many of the Board members may not be too familiar with the facility and the Seward people would be more aware of what they would like done with the facility.

Mrs. Cannava stated that perhaps at that time the Board could consider different leases or people that might desire to utilize the building.

Dr. Hall stated that the Community Schools Program may require additional facilities for a full-day Community Schools Program for the Seward area and they could utilize some of that facility.

Mrs. Cannava moved to recommend to the Borough Assembly that the present Seward high school building be retained since with oil exploration and production possibilities, the population in Seward could explode in a short period of time, and there would be a need for an additional facility before another one could be constructed in Seward. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Glick, Owens, Morris, Brower, Cannava, Hobart NO - Fischer

ACTION

RESIGNATION:

ACTION

SEWARD HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING:

ACTION

SABBATICAL LEAVE:

Dr. Gallaher stated that as a part of the Negotiations Agreement with KPEA, the Board has a policy for providing one Sabbatical Leave each year, assuming that the State Department of Education contributes its share of the funding, which at this time is in question regarding next year. However, it was necessary that we go through the process of selecting a candidate. We had four applications for a Sabbatical Leave, and in accordance with the KPEA Agreement a committee was established composed of five teachers, Mrs. Wanda Shannon, chairperson; Mrs. Best; Mr. Murphy; Mr. Oberg; Mr. Forbes; and one administrator, Mr. Whitney. The applications were reviewed and evaluated and the committee recommended Mr. Jon McMichael, Business Education teacher, Susan B. English, be selected for Sabbatical Leave for fiscal year 1978, contingent upon the state providing its share of the funding.

ACTION

Mrs. Morris moved to approve a Sabbatical Leave for fiscal year 1978 for Mr. Jon McMichael, Susan B. English School, contingent upon the State Department of Education funding its share. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Cannava, Glick, Brower, Fischer, Owens, Morris, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall recommended approval of three students to the Alternate Study Program.

ACTION

Mrs. Brower moved to approve the three students to the Alternate Study Program as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

IN-SERVICE DAY FOR MARCH:

Dr. Hall stated he received a communication from the Presidents of KPEA and PAA relating to half-day in-service programs in accordance with Item 430 of the negotiated agreement between KPEA and the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District. He stated that there have been no requests this year for half-day in-service programs. The primary purpose of the half-day in-service would be in the area of curriculum development and structuring of the instructional program. He stated that he does not anticipate any additional requests for half-day in-services for the remainder of the school year. He recommended that the Board approve March 16, 1977, and April 20, 1977, for half-day in-service programs, and a half-day in-service program for Nikolaevsk School on March 16 and April 7, instead of April 20.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve March 16 and April 20 for half-day in-service programs, and March 16 and April 7 for half-day in-service programs for Nikolaevsk School. She requested that the two half-day in-service programs be widely publicized. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL PURPOSE: SCHOOL TEXTBOOKS:

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the textbooks for next year are being ordered. She stated that there are still some classes that are short of textbooks this year.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that they have not been ordered yet. However, they are ordered in plenty of time to arrive by September. He added that many times the books ordered have not been published yet and in some instances they are back ordered.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if ordering early would alleviate some of the problems.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that it would not help if they are not in print. He stated that the administration is at the mercy of the publishers and the textbook depositories.

Mrs. Fischer inquired as to the time the administration is going to provide the Board with alternatives for a solution to the Soldotna Elementary School situation. She added that if we wait too long we may limit the choices for a solution to the problem.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the administration will have alternatives for the Board to choose from by March 21 or April 4, but at the present time we are still obtaining pertinent information. He added that the administration will be talking with parents of the students involved before Board action is taken.

Mr. Ward stated that at the April 21 Board meeting the Board of Education recommended Harold Wirum & Associates be employed to design the proposed Soldotna and Homer elementary schools. He stated that since that time it has been pointed out by Mr. Hakert, Public Works Director, that we now have two letters directed to the Borough recommending two different firms, Design Group and Wirum & Associates. He stated that the Board may wish to rescind one of the decisions and ratify the other.

Dr. Gallaher stated that if there is a question in the minds of Borough Officials as to what the Board of Education is recommending in the way of architects for the two elementary schools, then that should be given the specificity that it needs. It seems that we need to know for certain if the Board of Education stands on the recommendation of Wirum and Associates.

Mr. Ed Hakert, Public Works Director, stated that the original action that was taken at the last Board meeting was based on a recommendation by the Borough administration as a result of conversation regarding the need to reassess whom the Board desired for architects for the elementary schools for Soldotna and Homer. He stated that the Borough administration is in full agreement that it is the Board's responsibility to evaluate and assess the qualifications, expertise, etc. of the architects they wish to have involved in school facilities. The original owner, Ron Campbell, went with another firm and sold the firm of Design Group to the two other partners that own it presently. However, the Board's original recommendation to the Borough Assembly was not just for Design Group but the letter received was recommending Design Group

SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

ARCHITECTS FOR THE PROPOSED SOLDOTNA & HOMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS: ARCHITECTS FOR THE PROPOSED SOLDOTNA & HOMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

ARCHITECTS FOR THE PROPOSED SOLDOTNA & HOMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (Continued):

and Ron Campbell, and as such it is important that the Board reevaluate, not just on the basis of the Borough administration's recommendation, but on the basis of some additional research as to whether or not Ron Campbell's ability to perform at this time is in fact improved, or is in fact less than the Board wishes it to be.

Dr. Hall stated that it would not be necessary for the Board to rescind their previous action but rather state the conditions of their decision in the recommendation.

Mr. Ron Campbell, previous owner of the Architectural firm Design Group, stated that to clarify his present status, Design Group was selected for the architectural services for the proposed Homer and Soldotna elementary school projects with official notification from the Kenai Borough Mayor via a letter dated April 6, 1976. On December 1, 1976, Mr. Campbell sold his interest in and ownership of Design Group to Rune C. Appelo, architect. He stated that he is presently working for Alley/Haeg, Architects. He stated that part of his agreement in selling the business of Design Group was to retain the Kenai Borough as a client when the Soldotna and Homer elementary schools became active. He stated his purpose in being present at the meeting was to protect his interests and reaffirm his desire to work with the school district. He requested the Board to reestablish their trust in his performance with the organizational back-up of Alley/Haeg, Architects.

Mr. Ralph Alley, architect, gave a brief outline of the background and projects of the firm Alley/Haeg, Architects.

Mr. Dave Forbes, English teacher, Kenai Central High School, stated that he is President of the Kenai Peninsula Reading Counsel, Treasurer of the Alaska State Reading Association, a member of the State-Wide Assessment Reading Content Board, and a member of the State Reading Specialist Committee. He is also an active member of these groups, he brings to the School Board and to the administration of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District appreciation of and thanks for the support level of commitment shown, and in particular for the NIE Consortium Project. He stated that Kenai Central High School is one of the seven school sites in Alaska involved in the NIE Reading Consortium Project, a project which has as its goal to bring reading research off the shelf into the classroom. He stated that through state linkers the consortium assists local districts to assess school needs in the area of reading, to prioritize reading needs, match proven programs to reading needs and goals of school and to evaluate reading programs. School site task forces assess the school's needs in reading, prioritize them, review proven programs; choose, adapt, and adopt those that meet the needs, and evaluate programs after using them in the classroom. The Kenai Central High School Task Force is composed of Dave Forbes, Chairman; Gary Deutschlander, Principal; Cecelia Hardy, teacher; Joyce Cline, parent; Margaret Simon, librarian; and Lotte Bogard, parent. The needs of the high school are to raise student reading performance on Iowa Test of Educational Development. He stated that the total reading scores for the

READING PROGRAM:

READING PROGRAM (Continued):

Sophomores on this test show 59% of them are below grade level, 54% of the Juniors scored below grade level, 53% of the Seniors scored below grade level, and 35%, 36% and 29% scored below the 25th percentile respectively.

He stated that other needs of the high school are to adopt an organized reading program at Kenai Central to add emphasis to reading, create a planned, articulated reading program at KCHS. He added that the reading program contains four components:

1) Remedial (Special Services students), 2) Corrective (students with 7-9 grade reading level equivalents), 3) Developmental (students with 10-11 grade reading level equivalents), and
4) Functional (content reading skill development).

Dr. Hall stated that in looking at any norm referenced test 50% must be below grade level and 50% above.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if the task force was going to stay in existence.

Mr. Forbes stated that it would be in existence next year.

Dr. Hall stated that he is quite pleased with the activity Mr. Forbes and Mr. Deutschlander and other member of the staff have accomplished at our secondary reading level. The reading program at Sears Elementary is an exemplary program and will be evaluated by the State Department of Education on March 9.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 9:45 P.M., Mr. Glick moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters, the immediate knowledge of which would adversely affect the finances of the Borough. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 10:08 P.M., the executive session was adjourned.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION:

At 10:12 P.M., Mrs. Morris moved that the Board reconvene in regular session. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

KPEA MEDIATORS:

Mr. Hobart stated the Board of Education does not concur with the list of mediators recommended by the Kenai Peninsula Education Association due to the fact that the persons named are all members of the National Education Association of Alaska.

SELECTION OF ARCHITECT SOLDOTNA & HOMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS: Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the action of the Board of Education of February 21, 1977, relating to architects to read: "Because of the proprietorship change in the architectural firm of Design Group, the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education reaffirms its recommendation of Wirum & Associates be employed by the Borough Assembly for designing the Homer and Soldotna elementary schools". Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

At 10:20 P.M., by general consent of the Board, the School Board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr/. Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of March 7, 1977, were approved with corrections on March 21, 1977.

# KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

March 21, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President Mrs. Sandra, Morris, Treasurer Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member Mr. Carl Glick, Member Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed. Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Justin Maile

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mr. Tommy Corr Mr. Paul Fischer Mrs. Betsy Staley Mr. Bill Haywood Mr. Tom Murphy

Mrs. Catherine Parker

Mr. Kris Rogers Mrs. Judy Dragseth Mrs. Bobbie Glendenning Mrs. Virginia Maesner Mr. Bill Schrier

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present Mr. Carl Glick Present Mrs. Sandra Morris Present Mrs. Sheila Owens Present Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The School Board minutes of March 7, 1977, were approved with the following corrections:

Page 5, BUDGET HEARING, paragraph 10, line 2, change \$44,000 to \$4,400.

Page 13, ARCHITECTS FOR THE PROPOSED SOLDOTNA & HOMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, paragraph 5, line 1, change April 21 to February 21.

KPEA:

Mr. Hobart read a communication from Mr. Tom Murphy, President, KPEA, stating that the Kenai Peninsula Education Association Representative Council rejected the names the Board suggested as independent private mediators. In accordance with the negotiated agreement, the KPEA has requested the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service to mediate the current dispute.

KPBSDCA:

Mr. Hobart read a communication from Mrs. Gail Sibson, President Pro Tem of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Classified Association, stating that to date the Board's negotiating team and the KPBSDCA negotiating team are still at impasse. The Classified Association stated that they are ready to resume negotiations with consultants at the table.

KPEA GRIEVANCE:

Dr. Gallaher stated that to keep the Board informed regarding the progress of the grievance filed by KPEA against the Board, the final document was developed, assembled, and signed by Mr. Tom Murphy and Dr. Gallaher stating that the information is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge. Dr. Gallaher stated that the document was mailed to Mr. Paul Koval on March 21, 1977, who will forward it to the arbitrator.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward stated that Mr. David Swarner, student at Soldotna Elementary, visited the Central Office today and is at the Board meeting tonight. Mr. Ward stated that it is a part of the Career Education program in which there are approximately eighty students involved, all of whom will spend one day with a parent at his/her job, learn what is involved, and report back to their teachers.

Mr. Ward reported that the exhaust system at the Homer shop will go for bid this month. The panels were not installed in the new classroom addition at Soldotna Elementary over spring break because they were not available. Mr. Ward stated that the Planning Commission has recommended the new Soldotna elementary site be located in the Kalifonsky Beach/Gas Well Road area, rather than the forty acres the Board of Education has proposed. He stated that Dr. Lind visited the peninsula last summer and looked at the forty acres of State land adjacent to Soldotna Jr. High and inferred that he believed the Borough would have no problem in securing the land from the State. However, plans must be drawn up to show the State Board of Education how the land is to be used. The pottery kiln at the Homer Jr/Sr High School blew up last week. There are a number of students from the high school and the community college who are involved in pottery courses and it has been requested that the kiln be rebuilt as soon as possible. Mr. Ward stated that the Borough Assembly tabled any action on Wirum and Associates as architects for the proposed Homer and Soldotna elementary schools. He stated that he and Dr. Gallaher met with the City Council in Homer a week ago to discuss a site for the proposed Homer elementary school. The Homer Advisory Planning Commission and members of the Homer City Council have requested that the new school be constructed on the existing elementary school site. Mr. Ward stated that although them are sixty-two acres in the site, much of it is in Buluga Lake and a swamp. The administration recommended that the Board of Education request a portion of the sixteen acres presently owned by the FAA

CONSTRUCTION (Continued):

(Assessor No. 177-080-0600) or the unimproved parcel immediately to the east of the aforementioned acreage (No. 177-060-2400) or Section 14, Township 6S, Range 13W of SM, Lots 6, 7, 11, 12 and 13.

Dr. Gallaher stated that if there were to be two buildings on one site, we might as well add on to the existing building. He stated that after talking with the members of the council, Mayor, and city manager, they would be amiable to having one or the other sites if obtainable.

Mrs. Fischer inquired as to the objection of the planning commission on the forty acres adjacent to the Soldotna Jr. High School.

Mr. Ward stated that there was actually no objection. They agreed that it was a good site but suggested using it to construct the third elementary school.

Dr. Gallaher stated that according to the city administration the growth is going to be in town.

Mrs. Fischer inquired regarding the terrain of the two FAA lots for the proposed Homer elementary school.

Mr. Ward stated that there would have to be grading on both lots as that whole area slopes.

Mrs. Fischer stated that the site on East Road was more level than the existing site.

Mr. Maile stated that there is peat from the Mormon Church for approximately seven miles.

Mr. Hobart stated that because of the peat there would be terrific excavating costs.

Mr. Maile stated that there would be sub-surface water conditions.

Mr. Ward stated that the main concern is to select three sites and then have soil tests taken.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the Board of Education could reject the site after the soil tests are made. The answer was yes.

Mrs. Cannava moved that one of the three following parcels be obtained as the site for the proposed elementary school in the Homer area: First choice, a portion of the sixteen acres presently owned by FAA, No. 177-080-0600; second choice, the unimproved parcel immediately to the east of the aforementioned site, No. 177-060-2400; third choice, Section 14, Township 6S, Range 13 W, of SM, lots 6, 7, 11, 12 and 13. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Glick, Brower, Morris, Owens, Cannava, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

CONSTRUCTION - ACTION (Continued):

Mrs. Cannava moved to reaffirm the Board of Education's previous recommendation that the forty acres adjacent to the Soldotna Jr. High School site be obtained as the site for the proposed Soldotna elementary school because of the anticipated population growth in that area. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Morris, Owens, Glick, Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Swarner presented the Board of Education with the February, 1977 financial report.

Mrs. Fischer stated that in the Community Schools there is an overdraw. As this was not included in the budget for last year, she does not understand it.

Mr. Swarner stated that it was a special Grant Fund and the administration does not have the budget set up for it yet. He added that it is there for the Community Schools Program for the purpose of sending certain individuals to Flint, Michigan. However, it is not part of the Community Schools budget which is under the general fund.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the district had a Title III program this year.

Mr. Swarner stated that it was a carry-over from previous years.

Dr. Hall stated that the district does have some Mini-Grants that fall under this category.

BUS CONTRACTS:

Mrs. Cannava stated that the Board's transportation committee met with Burton Carver Company, Inc. negotiators on Thursday and exchanged proposals. Another meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 22, 1977, at 7:30 P.M. for further negotiations.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall recommended placement of one student to the Alternate Study Program.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve the one student to the Alternate Study Program as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

PHILOSOPHY & PROGRAM GOALS FOR THE GIFTED/ TALENTED PROGRAM: Dr. Hall stated that over the last two years the district has been making every effort to bring about a program for gifted/talented students in the school district. However, the district has been waiting for directions, definitions, and guidelines from the State Department of Education. We believe that we are now in a position to provide services to the gifted/talented student. A committee has been formed in order to develop program goals and suggestions and also to develop necessary information for release to the media. For the first phase of the program, we will be thinking in terms of the intellectually gifted/talented student. In order to set

PHILOSOPHY & PROGRAM GOALS FOR THE GIFTED/ TALENTED PROGRAM (Continued):

ACTION

KENAI-MAT-SU IMPROVEMENTS
OF BASIC SKILLS CONSORTIUM
TEACHER IN-SERVICE TRAINING CENTER:

the basis for a general philosophy relative to the concept of providing services for the gifted/talented student, the committee has developed a philosophy and program goals for this program in our district. Dr. Hall requested Board concurrence on the basic philosophy and program goals.

Mrs. Cannava moved to concur with the philosophy and program goals for the gifted/talented program as presented by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hall stated that the State Department of Education in Alaska has what is referred to as Block Grant proposals under Title IV. It is through these Block Grants that districts are able to individually or together provide needed services for members of the administrative and teaching staff. After a number of discussions, with Mr. Rogers, Director/Special Services, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District; the Director of Special Services for the Mat-Su Borough; and Dr. Gallaher, it is thought very strongly that there is a need for members of this staff and administration to receive assistance in improving and strengthening their abilities to adequately and appropriately work with the handicapped youngster. particularly in the area of basic skills relating to Reading, Math, and Language Arts. This is needed both at the elementary and secondary levels. As a result of that need, we are requesting the Board's authority to transmit to the State Department of Education this request for a Block Grant to set up the consortium between the Mat-Su Borough District and the Kenai Borough District for the purpose of providing those services. Board concurrence is necessary prior to the submittal of the Block Grant for a request for funds. This, however, does not mean that the district will receive the funds.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if there would be any cost to the school district.

Dr. Hall replied negatively stating that the Block Grant will cover the entire cost of the program.

Mrs. Cannava inquired as to what happens when the money runs out.

Dr. Hall stated that the Grant is for a specific purpose for training. When the Grant is deleted, if there are additional needs the Board might apply the following school year if the Title IV money still exists. However, if it has completed its purpose will probably be terminated at that time.

Mrs. Fischer stated that according to the budget that is included with the proposal, it has the LEA, which is the school district, contributing \$73,000.

Dr. Hall stated no, that is the break down of the budgeted amount for the local provision of the program; it is the format.

KENAI-MAT-SU IMPROVEMENTS
OF BASIC SKILLS CONSORTIUM
TEACHER IN-SERVICE TRAINING CENTER (Continued):

Mrs. Fischer inquired if in the projection for the second year, the school distirct would pick up the first phase due to secondary in-service and would the district fund the elementary center #1 in year two.

Dr. Hall replied in the affirmative stating that the provision would be the district would be prepared to include it in the overall Special Services budget which is reimbursable by the state, as part of our training grant. He added that the district has budgeted several thousands of dollars this year through the Special Services budget for the purpose of in-service training.

Mrs. Fischer stated then the district would use this in the third and fourth year to be picked up in the district's budget.

Dr. Hall stated that if we projected and carried the program on that long it would be then picked up in the individual school district budgets through their Special Services allocation. However, that is reimbursable money by the state through Special Services.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if Dr. Hall had a break-down of the costs for the second and third year.

Dr. Hall stated that he did not.

Mr. Kris Rogers stated that the cost becomes negligible.

Mrs. Fischer moved to concur with the Block Grant as presented for a consortium with the Mat-Su Teacher In-Service Training Program. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

COURSE APPROVALS:

Dr. Hall stated that there is a request from the principal of the Seward High School for revisions of courses that have been approved by the Board in the past, changes in content in courses, and some changes in course titles. Dr. Hall recommended approval of the courses.

ACTION

ACTION

Mrs. Brower moved to approve the new courses for Seward High as follows: Career Awareness, Medical Office Practice, Legal Office Practice, Executive Office Procedures, Office Simulation, Bow and Arrow Construction (one semester in length), Occupational Math I (one semester), Business Math II (full-year course), revised full-year courses in U. S. History and Government; revision of Personal Adjustment/Marriage and Family Living, and title changed to Practical Family Living. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Mr. Hobart inquired as to the area in which Bow and Arrow Construction is placed.

Dr. Hall stated that it is considered a shop course.

COURSE APPROVALS - ACTION (Continued):

Mrs. Fischer stated that it would seem that it would be limiting the students, as in a shop course they change projects once they have completed one.

Dr. Hall stated that it is a rather detailed project which will take one semester.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the Practical Family Living being taught was accepted by the community.

Dr. Hall stated that it is a revision of the present course and it does require parental permission. He added that there is good participation by the student body in Seward.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if there had been an evaluation of the previous program.

Dr. Hall stated that there was a verbal evaluation of the course.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she would like to see the evaluation after the course is completed.

Motion carried unanimously.

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfers #76-107, #76-116, #76-117, #76-118, #76-119, and #76-121.

#76-107, Sears Elementary School: from Account #01-041-200-000-457, Small Tools-Equipment, to Account #01-041-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$247.00; and from Account #01-041-605-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-041-605-000-520, Equipment-Replace, \$62.00.

#76-116, Bob Bartlett School:
from Account #01-001-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-001-605-000-441, Repairs & Maintenance, \$100.00;
from Account #01-001-160-702-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-001-605-000-441, Repairs & Maintenance, \$50.00;
from Account #01-001-160-808-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-001-505-000-441, Repairs & Maintenance, \$50.00;
from Account #01-001-200-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-001-605-000-441, Repairs & Maintenance, \$25.00; and
from Account #01-001-160-901-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-001-605-000-441, Repairs & Maintenance, \$25.00.

#76-117, Moose Pass:

from #01-037-100-000-457, Small Tools-Equipment, to Account #01-037-605-000-510, Equipment-New, \$80.00; from Account #01-037-605-000-457, Small Tools-Equipment, to Account #01-037-605-000-510 Equipment-New, \$55.00; from Account #01-037-515-000-450, Discretional Materials, to Account #01-037-605-000-510, Equipment-New, \$45.00; and from Account #01-037-100-000-510, Equipment-New to Account #01-037-605-000-510, Operation-Maintenance of Plant, Equipment-New, \$85.00.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-118, Seward Elementary School: from Account #01-042-515-000-454, Office Supplies, to Account #01-042-330-000-469, Other Supplies, \$220.00.

#76-119, Kenai Central High School: from Account #01-007-160-900-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-007-330-000-469, Other Supplies, \$150.00.

#76-121, Port Graham: from Account #01-040-100-000-426, Travel, to Account #01-040-800-000-426, Pupil Activity Accounts-Travel, \$500.00.

Mrs. Morris moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-107, #76-116, #76-117, #76-118, #76-119, and #76-121 as outlined by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

BUDGET ADOPTION:

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Board of Education has before them a Budget document that represents the sum total of all the effort, suggestions and decisions that were approved by the Board of Education, as a preliminary draft of the Budget for fiscal 1978. Along with the Budget is a communication from the Superintendent that attempts to delineate in about two pages what is contained in the document. Projected in the budget are provisions for additional student enrollment. We expect the ADM, projected on a conservative basis for next fiscal year, to be 5,345 which represents 5,549 students. As a result of that increase in the number of students, we have projected fifteen additional teachers, additional supplies, additional equipment, and additional discretional materials amounting to a total increase of \$377,964 in the budget. Also included in the Budget are additional monies for salary and fringe benefits for teachers and classified personnel, which include the built-in step increases and present negotiated salary schedules, and additional money to provide for increases as the result of negotiations amounting to \$321,723. Included is \$1,019,309 to cover increases in operation as the result of inflation. This includes classroom supplies, utilities, postage, office supplies, custodial supplies, repair of equipment, food service, pupil transportation, activity travel and miscellaneous. The programs envisioned for next year have been expanded in eight or ten areas and reduced in two. The Principal Intern and the Elementary Counseling programs have been deleted. Expanded programs include Vocational Education, Special Education, Nursing Services, Secretarial Services, Custodial Services, Swimming Program, Community Schools, Community College, Aides, and Curriculum Guides, all of which amount to \$548,364. The Budget also includes additional programs amounting to \$404,455 for such things as Media Center, Driver Education, Hockey Program, Microfilming, Curriculum Specialist, After School Activity Busses, Para Professionals, Warehouse Rental and Classroom Rental. We are projecting a Budget that totals \$18,236,048 which is an increase of \$3,171,851. The total projected Budget for fiscal '78 is a 21% increase over the present Budget, and the local effort requested from the Borough Assembly is \$4,537,803 which is a 24% increase

BUDGET ADOPTION (Continued):

over local effort for this year. Dr. Gallaher recommended that the Board of Education adopt the Fiscal 1977-78 Budget as presented and authorize that it be transmitted to the Borough Assembly prior to April 1, 1977.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the Fiscal 1977-78 Budget as submitted and authorize the Administration to transmit it to the Borough Assembly prior to April 1, 1977. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Glick, Fischer, Cannava, Brower, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

At 8:10 P.M., by general consent of the Board, a short recess was called.

At 8:28 P.M., the Board reconvened in regular session.

Dr. Gallaher stated that last year a committee was appointed to negotiate an extra-curricular salary schedule with KPEA. However, club sponsors at the secondary level were overlooked. As a result, the Superintendent and Dr. Hall met with a representative of KPEA and established a salary schedule for the five clubs that needed funding. The following schedule was agreed upon:

Activity	Range
Future Homemakers of America	1
D E C A	1
National Honor Society	1
Pep Club (Jr. High)	1
KCHS Pep Club	2

Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of the salary schedule for club sponsors as submitted for those activities that occur outside the school day.

Mrs. Owens moved to approve the schedule of school club advisors as recommended by Dr. Gallaher. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Mr. Hobart inquired as to the reasoning on the High School Pep Club being at a higher range.

Dr. Gallaher stated it was due to the inclusion of a number of trips to Anchorage.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Glick, Cannava, Morris, Brower, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

RECESS:

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

SALARIES OF SCHOOL CLUB ADVISORS:

LEAVE OF ABSENCE DANIEL CALHOUN:

Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of a Leave of Absence Without Pay for the 1977-78 school year for Daniel Calhoun, 6th grade teacher, Homer Middle School. Dr. Gallaher stated that Mr. Calhoun will have met the requirements and conditions of the Board policy relating to Leave of Absences Without Pay this year, as this is his fifth year of teaching in the District.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve a Leave of Absence Without Pay for Daniel Calhoun for the 1977-78 school year and upon his return relay his experiences and findings to the School Board through a written or oral resume. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT NEW CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Kirkpatrick requested approval of Purchases for Furniture and Equipment-New Construction for Bob Bartlett School in the amount of \$949.84, leaving an approximate balance in that account of \$13,856.84; and Purchases of Furniture and Equipment-New Construction for Nikolaevsk School in the amount of \$1,583.40, leaving an approximate balance of \$6,229.67. He stated that all the items are either quoted or bid and no purchases have been made to date.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve the purchases of Furniture and Equipment-New Construction for Bob Bartlett School in the amount of \$949.84 and for Nikolaevsk School in the amount of \$1,583.40. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

APRIL - MAY SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS:

There will be one School Board meeting in April and it will be held on April 11, 1977, 7:00 P.M., Coffee Room, Borough Admininstration Building, Soldotna. The May 2 meeting will be held in Seward.

GENERAL PURPOSE: ARCHITECTS SOLDOTNA & HOMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

Mr. Hobart inquired if the Board should take action again regarding the architects for the proposed Homer & Soldotna elementary schools.

Mr. Ward stated that by the Board taking action again, it might speed the process with the Assembly. He stated that part of the Assembly's concern was that its attorney did not have time to fully review the situation.

Mr. Hobart inquired if the attorney was satisfied now with the legality of it.

Mr. Ward stated that he did not know whether he had made a decision yet.

Mrs. Owens moved to reaffirm the Board's previous recommendation for the employment of Wirum and Associates as architect for the proposed elementary buildings in Soldotna and Homer. Mr. Glick seconded.

ARCHITECTS SOLDOTNA & HOMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS (Continued):

Mr. Ward stated that one of the concerns that the Public Works Department has had is whether Wirum and Associates could handle both projects should the high school pass at the same time as the elementary schools. He stated that Mr. Wirum was down last Tuesday and said there would be no problem.

Motion carried unanimously.

HOMER KILN:

Mr. Hobart inquired if the kiln at Homer was fired by propane.

Mr. Ward replied in the affirmative. He stated that it was of firebrick construction and it is assumed it will cost approximately \$3,000 to replace, and included is \$350 for safety equipment to be added to it.

Mr. Glick inquired if the money would be transferred from another account to pay for it.

Mr. Ward stated that it would fall under a capital improvements project.

Mr. Swarner stated that the Borough carries the insurance policy and there is a \$10,000 deductible, and this is in essence that portion of the insurance that is self-insured and the Borough should be prepared to pick up the loss.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to request that Borough Officials have the pottery kiln rebuilt immediately at Homer Jr/Sr High School at an estimated cost of \$3,000 and to add safety features. Mrs. Morris seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

PROFESSIONAL TEACHERS PRACTICE COMMISSION CONFERENCE APRIL 20-22: Dr. Hall stated that on April 20-22, 1977, the Professional Teachers Practice Commission of the State of Alaska is sponsoring a school law conference in Anchorage. Members of the national organization for legal problems in education will be involved in conducting the workshop. Board members interested in attending the workshop should contact Dr. Hall so the necessary registration arrangements can be made.

AASB:

Mr. Hobart stated that he received an evaluation form from William Overstreet, Executive Secretary, Association of Alaska School Boards, requesting that the Board of Education set aside time either in the March or April meeting to discuss and evaluate the Association's activities.

LEGISLATIVE NEWSLETTER: Mr. Hobart stated that the legislative newsletter mailed to Board members from the Association had a few bills in it to which he would like to obtain the Board's reaction and possibly send letters in opposition or support of same. Senate Bill 229 is an act relating to labor relations between boards and certificated employees. The bill would mandate coordinated bargaining for all regional educational attendance areas. He added that this actually does not pertain to this board but it does have an effect on all new REAA's school boards and presently the REAA board under

LEGISLATIVE NEWSLETTER (Continued):

the law has opted from the process.

Dr. Gallaher stated that now the REAAs have the same opportunity and the same procedures for negotiations as does this Board of Education. The proposed bill, however, states that one agency would do all the bargaining for the twenty-one REAAs rather than individually. Therefore, this bill would force them to do what they at one time decided against doing. Consequently, if the Board is going to take a position on it, Dr. Gallaher recommended they oppose the bill so each REAA would then do its own bargaining.

Mr. Hobart stated concern for House Bill 228, an act relating to leave for teachers engaged in collective bargaining, entitling certificated employees selected to represent the employee bargaining organization, to be paid administrative leave for each day of travel to and from the place of bargaining, and for each day spent in the bargaining process. It also allows for the transportation expenses to be paid if there is no connecting public road from the employee's residence to the place of bargaining.

Mrs. Cannava moved to send a letter to Jalmar Kerttula, Hugh Malone, Leo Rhode, and Keith Specking advising them of the Board's objections to House Bill 228 and Senate Bill 229. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Owens, Morris, Fischer, Glick, Cannava, Brower, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hobart stated that there was another bill relating to the funding of the instructional unit. He added that the Association has gone on record as being in favor of the increase in the state funding.

Mrs. Cannava stated that at the hearing testimony was given and the Association went on record as being opposed to an increase at this time. However, the important thing is knowing what we are going to have for a foundation unit value in fiscal '79 so our budgeting process can proceed as early as possible.

Dr. Gallaher stated that we do know now what next year's unit is. The foundation unit for this year is \$25,000 and last year the legislature set the fiscal '78 unit at \$27,500 which is the figure that is established for next year. We should not request the legislature to increase that figure for fiscal '78 but that the legislature should address fiscal '79 and establish the dollar value of the foundation unit so we can plan accordingly.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if the Board of Education sent a letter regarding Senate Bill 163.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Borough Assembly did; however, he didn't believe action was taken by the Board.

LEGISLATIVE NEWSLETTER (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher stated that he is not so sure that the Board would want to oppose Senate Bill 163. He stated that Senate Bill 163 does carry 50% funding, and it does have the Governor's support. He added that the thinking in Juneau is that the Governor will veto anything beyond 50%, and he would have the votes to sustain the veto. To receive the 50% funding on the front end and not to have to vote that 50% would certainly be better than what we have at the present time. He stated that one request that the superintendents made was that 75% for vocational be continued.

Mr. Hobart stated that his concern on this bill was that it would give the Commissioner of Education the authority to determine whether or not the 50% in the facility would meet the criteria that they were establishing.

Dr. Gallaher stated that any money received from the bill is going to have some criteria relative to what kind of facilities can be purchased. Dr. Gallaher stated that the analysis is that this bill would be superior to what we have at the present time, and anything else that would give 100% - 90% funding would receive the Governor's veto and we would be back to where we are now.

Mrs. Cannava inquired as the bill now stands, if the districts with less money would receive more funding.

Dr. Gallaher replied in the affirmative. He stated that the bill will not become effective before July, 1978.

Mrs. Cannava moved to endorse the action of the Alaska School Board Association in recommending the concept of Forward Funding, that of establishing the dollar value of the foundation unit one year in advance. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

At 9:00 P.M., Mr. Glick moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss personnel, a subject that may tend to prejudice the reputation or character of a person. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

At 10:20 P.M., the executive session was adjourned.

At 10:25 P.M., Mrs. Morris moved that the Board reconvene in regular session. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried uannimously.

At 10:26 P.M., Mrs. Morris moved that the School Board meeting be adjourned. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried uanimously.

ACTION

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

RECONVENE INTO

REGULAR SESSION:

ADJOURN:

Respectfully,

fir Jerry Hobart, President

ers. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of March 21, 1977, were approved with corrections on April 11, 1977.

# KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

April 11, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMEBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member Mr. Carl Glick, Member Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed. Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Clark Whitney Mrs. Judi Dragseth Mrs. Bobbie Glendenning Mr. Patrick O'Connell Mr. Leonard Olson Mrs. Betsy Staley Mrs. Joyce Thompson Mr. William Kraus Mr. Theo Carson Mrs. Janice Mott Mrs. Ginnie Savoie Mr. Gerry Tullos Mr. Bill Haywood Mrs. Catherine Parker

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mr. Paul Fischer Mrs. Barbara Banta Mr. Mike Tauriainen Mr. Richard Skinner Mr. Tommy Corr

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present Mr. Carl Glick Present

Mrs. Sandra Morris Present (Excused at 7:30 P.M.)

Mrs. Sheila Owens Absent (Excused)

Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The School Board minutes of March 21, 1977, were approved with the following correction:

Page 3, Paragraph 8, change stated that to inquired if.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH:

Mr. James Allen Regional Supervising Sanitarian, Environmental Health Section, gave a brief explanation of the Environmental Health activities. He stated that schools were but one of the activities. He stated that locally they handle all environmentally transmitted diseases such as rabies, PSP, and foodborne diseases. He added that although there are statutes and an administrative code which state minimum standards of conformance, their philosophy is one of educational, consultation, and documentation which always precedes enforcement. He stated that they have the same objectives as the Board of Education when activities are directed toward schools — maintenance of an environment conducive to education and one which protects the students, faculty, and supportive staff. Mr. Allen reviewed with the Board of Education the Rules and Regulations of Health Services which have been in effect since July 28, 1959.

Mrs. Cannava inquired as to the time new school plans should be submitted to the Health Services Department for evaluation.

Mr. Allen stated when the plans can be adequately reviewed. He added they should show mechanical, lighting, and ventilation plans, etc.

Mrs. Cannava inquired as to which personnel in the Health Services Department did the evaluating.

Mr. Allen stated that generally the evaluation of plans is performed at the local level, although at times the plans are sent to someone with more expertise in a certain area. He added that the plans are returned within a maximum of ten days.

Dr. Hall stated that one of the problems the Board of Education and the Borough have is that the plans go to five different departments for review of basically the same thing. He added that it would be more feasible to have a committee formed of the various departments and have the plans reviewed by them at one time.

Mr. Allen stated that the Health & Social Services Department will be providing the Borough Mayor and the School District Superintenden with inspection reports, as the Borough makes the Capitol Improvements.

SOIL CONSERVATION:

Mr. Tommy Corr gave a brief review on soil conservation. A comic magazine regarding same was made available to the Board for perusal. Mr. Corr suggested the Board purchase a set of the informative comics regarding soil conservation to be placed in each school.

COMMUNICATIONS: SOLDOTNA ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Dr. Gallaher read a communication from Ms. Ginnie Savoie, Chairman, Soldotna School Advisory Committee. She expressed the concern of the Advisory Committee regarding the increased student population in the Soldotna area. She stated any permanent solution to the problem would be a new elementary school; however, that is at least two years away. She stated that there is strong opposition to the establishment of a new attendance area for the purpose of transporting students to Kenai. However, solutions looking favorably by parents in the area are: Renting space in a church or other facility to house kindergarten students; initiate the four year high school and middle school programs.

BOROUGH MAYOR:

Dr. Gallaher read a communication from Mayor Gilman stating that the Borough Assembly is in receipt of furniture requests for Nikolaevsk Elementary School for \$1,583.40 and for Bob Bartlett School for \$929.84. By motion of the Assembly, Harold Wirum and Associates was approved for design of the proposed Soldotna and Homer elementary schools.

ENROLLMENT & BUILDING NEEDS STUDY:

Dr. Gallaher stated that sixteen months ago a study was completed which contained enrollment projections for a five-year period to 1980-81, and an attempt was made to interpret the enrollment increases in terms of additional school buildings and classroom needs. He added that presently he is in the process of updating that report for the five year period 1981-82. He and Mr. McIlhargey have assembled a substantial amount of information and data. They have talked with 40 - 50 people throughout the peninsula who are in positions to prognosticate future growth. He stated that information will be available on projections at the first meeting in May, and there will be some indication of school enrollments and construction priorities.

PRESENTATION OF BUDGET TO BOROUGH ASSEMBLY:

Dr. Gallaher stated that Mrs. Cannava presented the School District Budget to the Borough Assembly on April 5, 1977, and she made a very complimentary presentation.

CLASSIFIED NEGOTIATIONS:

Mr. Glick stated that the Board's negotiating team and the Classified negotiations team have not met to negotiate for some time. However, Mrs. Sibson, President Pro Tem of the Classified Association, called on April 7 requesting that the teams get together for a meeting. Mr. Glick stated that it is his understanding that the meeting will take place with the same committees or persons that met the last time. He stated that a letter will be sent to Mrs. Sibson informing her of a meeting date of Monday, April 18, 7:00 P.M., at Soldotna Jr. High.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Mrs. Cannava stated that the Board's Negotiating Team and Burton Carver and Company have reached a tentative agreement. However, the Board has to negotiate with three other bus contractors. Mrs. Cannava stated that in these negotiations the State Department has encouraged the Board to negotiate five or seven year contracts.

TRANSPORTATION
COMMITTEE (Continued):

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he had an opportunity to attend a State-Wide Transportation meeting the last week of March to review the latest Rules and Regulations for School Bus Transportation which have recently been approved by the State Board of Education. He added that rumor has it on the local radio station that the Board has negotiated a ten-year contract. He stated that it is just rumor and that eventually the term of the bus contracts will be the option of the State Department of Education and not totally the Board's option.

Mr. Hobart stated it is definitely a rumor and the length of the contract is still under discussion.

**NEGOTIATIONS KPEA:** 

Mr. Hobart stated that at the present time KPEA and the Board of Education are at impasse. He added that a meeting has been scheduled with Harrell Mays of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service for April 26 and 27 at 1:00 P.M. at the Kenai Elementary School. He added that it will be a closed session.

CAPITOL IMPROVEMENTS:

Mr. Ward stated that the Borough Assembly did hire the firm Wirum and Associates for the design of the Homer and Soldotna elementary schools. He stated that the floor in the Kenai Central High School locker room was redone over spring vacation. However, since that time the administration has received a report of the seventh injury. He stated that the Borough is in the process of getting the architec and contractor back to redo the floor. Mr. Ward stated that Mr. Hakert spent the weekend looking at available lands for the proposed Homer elementary school. It is his understanding that the Mayor and and Public Works Director will make a presentation to the Assembly at the meeting next Tuesday on sites for both the Soldotna elementar and Homer elementary schools. He stated that one site in Homer will cost about \$155,000 to get water and to do the necessary grading and backfilling before construction; the other FAA parcel would cost approximately \$163,000 in securing the land; however, the water and sewer are there. He added that there is nothing definite at this point.

Mr. Hobart inquired regarding purchasing land for the Soldotna elementary school.

Mr. Ward stated the administration is still recommending, and will continue to recommend, the forty acres or portion thereof near Soldotna Jr. High as the site for the proposed elementary school.

Mr. Hobart inquired how soon the architects could get started on the two schools and if the architect was waiting for a contract.

Dr. Gallaher replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Ward stated that it took about six or eight months to get Soldotna High School contracted. However, if the sites are secured or proposed to the Assembly and they agree with the sites next Tuesday, then probably within two to three weeks the architect will begin work.

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CAPITOL IMPROVEMENTS (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher stated that he thinks it highly imperative that we progress as rapidly as possible regarding the elementary building in Soldotna.

Mrs. Fischer inquired regarding the rationale of the Planning Commission in suggesting the other site for the Soldotna area.

Mr. Ward stated that the Commission feels that Kalifonski/Gas Well Road area will continue to grow and after reviewing the bus schedules for that area they felt bus runs could be reduced by having an elementary school there. However, those same busses also bring in junior high students to the existing Soldotna Jr. High. Therefore, there would be very little savings as far as bussing. Also, the Board eight or nine years ago determined that an administrative unit is approximately twenty classrooms, and they are looking at ten classrooms there and ten classrooms elsewhere. He added that we are looking at the overall cost for administrators, secretaries, custodians, teachers and a building of twenty classrooms rather than ten. In talking with the city engineer, mayor, etc., they feel there is going to be about 150 houses built in this area this summer.

Dr. Gallaher stated that this will, as we perceive it, become a twenty classroom elementary school located near the Soldotna Jr. High, whereas the Kalifonski area would be probably a ten room building for a long time without ever having to be expanded.

HOUSING OF SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY STUDENTS:

Dr. Gallaher stated that there is a problem in accommodating students at Soldotna Elementary School. He presented the Board with three alternatives as viable solutions to the housing problem: 1) Transport all K-6 students (approximately 35) living on Ciechanski, and those living on Kalifonski Beach, from Ciechanski to the Gas Pad to Kenai and Sears Elementary Schools, plus the purchase and location of two portable classrooms on the Soldotna Elementary site. 2) Transport all K-6 students (approximately 35) living on Ciechanski and those living on Kalifonski Beach from Ciechanski to the Gas Pad to Sears and Kenai Elementary buildings, plus the renting of two spaces in Soldotna for kindergarten purposes. 3) Transport all K-6 students (approximately 87) living on Echo Lake, Gas Well, and Kalifonski Beach from Gas Well to Gas Pad, Poppy Lane, Murwood and Ciechanski to Sears and Kenai Elementary buildings. Dr. Gallaher presented the Board with pros and cons to the alternatives: 1) Teachers would be happier in portables than in rented spaces. Administratively this solution is superior to rented facilities. The 35 students transported to Kenai and Sears are closer to those buildings than Soldotna; thus, parents are not as likely to object. Cost and location of portables would be in excess of \$70,000. It is not known if such could be purchased and located by September. Further, it is not known if the Borough would make such purchases in view of available classrooms elsewhere. 2) The cost of Alternative #2 is not exhorbitant when compared to Alternative #1. The 35 students transported to Kenai and Sears are closer to those buildings than Soldotna, thu there would be less parental objection. The cost will be about \$7,500 per school year for facilities, utilities, janitorial services. Toilet supplies and snow removal are not included in the \$7,500.

HOUSING OF SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY STUDENTS (Continued):

Administratively the kindergartens would be quite removed. 3) All students would be in regular classrooms which are available. Any additional transportation costs would be paid 100% by the State and not by the Board. Some parents are likely to be unhappy about sending their children to Kenai schools. Students living on Echo Lake, Gas Well and Kalifonski Beach to Ciechanski would ride four to five miles further if assigned to Kenai buildings.

Mrs. Cannava stated that before making a decision, the Board needs to have hearings with parents so that they understand the whole problem and may offer alternatives to the housing problem at Soldotn Elementary.

Mr. Hobart stated that from input he has received from parents, transporting students from Echo Lake area would be the least favorable solution.

A meeting to discuss alternatives with parents for the housing of students from Soldotna Elementary School area will be held April 20, 7:30 P.M., Soldotna Elementary School.

Mrs. Fischer stated that when she first came on the Board, before the bond election there was talk of going to the middle school concept. Since the defeat of the bond there has been no mention of this from the administration or the Board. She inquired if it had been dropped completely or if a high school should become a reality would it be reconsidered.

Mr. Hobart stated that he thought it would be considered. He stated that the reason it was dropped is because if the ninth grade from Soldotna Jr. High School were moved to Kenai Central, making it into a middle school, that would be only half the ninth graders as the ninth grade from Kenai Jr. High would not be included and we would be forcing ourselves into an overcrowded situation at the high school.

Dr. Gallaher stated we are projecting 799 students at Kenai Central next fall. That building will accommodate 800 students. If we include 119, which is projected for the ninth grade at Soldotna Jr. High, then we will have 918 students at the high school next fall. If we are going to think in terms of a solution for two years, in 1978 there would be 1,005 students at Kenai Central High School.

Mrs. Fischer stated the parents with whom she has talked are suggesting this alternative.

Dr. Hall stated that the concept and approach towards the middle school - four year comprehensive high school does have the endorsement of the Board. However, we must wait until we have facilities that will make possible that type of instructional program.

PURCHASE OF SCOREBOARD

Mr. Kirkpatrick requested approval for the purchase of a basketball scoreboard now in custody of the J. B. Warrack Construction Company. The scoreboard was inadvertently shipped for use in the KCHS swimming pool. He added, however, they are not one and the same. Along with the scoreboard are 250 feet of cable and one set of connectors. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that if funds are available it would be a great savings and there will be use for the scoreboard sometime in the future. He added that the scoreboard has a full year guarantee and has never been uncrated or used.

Mr. Hobart stated that if the Board does approve the purchase, the administration should check to see if it can be utilized in the Seward schools first.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve the purchase of a basketball scoreboard in the amount of \$1,800 as recommended by Mr. Kirkpatrick. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Brower, Cannava, Glick, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

1976-77 GRANTS FUNDS:

Mr. Swarner stated that in the agenda packet are all the subvensions for the 1976-77 year. He stated that some of the grants were presented to the Board for approval on initial applications for the grants. However, the Board did not appropriate these funds for the grants, with the exception of the RSVP Program.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Mr. Swarner's memo dated April 1, and approve the 1976-77 grant funds. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Glick, Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

RECESS:

At 7:45 P.M., by general consent of the Board, a short recess was called.

RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION:

At 8:00 P.M. the Board reconvened in regular session.

BUDGET TRANSFERS:

Mr. Swarner presented Budget Transfers #76-123, #76-125, #76-126, #76-129, #76-131, #76-132, #76-136.

#76-123, Cooper Landing School: from Account #01-032-420-000-469, Other Supplies, to Account #01-032-515-000-530, Other Expenses, \$30.00; and from Account #01-032-420-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-032-515-000-530, Other Expenses, \$55.00.

#76-125, Refer to Memorandum from Richard Swarner dated April 1, 197 and/or agenda packet dated April 11, 1977.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-126, Refer to Memorandum from Richard Swarner dated April 4, 197 and/or agenda packet dated April 11, 1977. #76-126 was changed to add a transfer increase for the basketball scoreboard - from Account #01-096-100-000-320, to Account #01-096-100-000-510, \$1,800.

#76-129, Refer to Memorandum from Richard Swarner dated April 5, 197 and/or agenda packet dated April 11, 1977. #76-129 was changed to add a transfer increase for a safe for Ninilchik Elem/High School - from Account #01-096-100-000-320, to Account #01-002-100-000-510, \$274.50.

#76-131, Seward High School:
from Account #01-008-200-000-510, Equipment-New, to
Account #01-008-200-000-470, Instructional Media, \$50.00;
from Account #01-008-515-000-424, Rentals, to
Account #01-008-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$450.00;
from Account #01-008-420-000-470, Instructional Media, to
Account #01-008-420-000-469, Other Supplies, \$156.00; and
from Account #01-008-515-000-530, Other Expenses, to
Account #01-008-420-000-469, Other Supplies, \$250.00.

#76-132, Bob Bartlett School: from Account #01-001-800-000-426, Travel, to Account #01-001-605-000-441, Repairs and Maintenance, \$255.00.

#76-136, Homer High School: from Account #01-006-330-000-454, Office Supplies, to Account #01-006-330-000-510, Equipment-New, \$101.00; from Account #01-006-330-000-469, Other Supplies, to Account #01-006-330-000-510, Equipment-New, \$403.00; and from Account #01-006-160-702-412, Telephone, to Account #01-006-515-000-412, Telephone, \$932.00.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-123, #76-125, #76-126, #76-129, #76-131, #76-132, #76-136 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mr. Glick Seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**NEW COURSE OFFERINGS:** 

Dr. Hall recommended approval of the revised and new course offering for Kenai Central High School with the stipulation that the course is German be authorized for one year with continuation being based on student needs, course effectiveness, and further recommendation from the administration.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the revised and new course offerings at Kenai Central High School as follows: Reading I, Reading II, Mysteries, Yearbook Production, East Asia, Geology II, and German. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she was under the impression that the Board was moving towards semesters rather than quarters.

ACTION

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 'pril 11, 1977

NEW COURSE OFFERINGS - ACTION (Continued):

Dr. Hall stated that until such time as the revision of the secondary program is underway and recommendation from the administration is realized he would not recommend a change in the present policy. Therefore, some courses will remain as quarter courses.

Mr. Glick inquired if the field trips would cover a large area and not be local.

Dr. Hall stated if the students go on an overnight field trip the students are responsible for their own lunch and there is no additional cost to the school district.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she is now concerned since the Board is not going to fund the field trip, that many of the students would not be able to take advantage of it because of the cost.

Dr. Hall stated that in such instances it is up to the local administrator to raise money for the trips.

Motion carried unanimously.

"LTI" LTI STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall requested approval to place three students on the Alternate Study Program.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to approve the three students to the Alternate Study Program as recommended. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

PAA NEGOTIATIONS

Mr. Glick stated that the Board's Negotiations Team and the PAA Negotiations Team met three times in negotiations session. He presented the following changes and additions in the Peninsula Administrators Negotiated Agreement and recommended approval of same:

## CHANGES IN PRESENT AGREEMENT

- 1. Base salary to \$28,050
- 2. Teacher-In-Charge contract days to be 189 (with four days at their per diem).
- 3. Career Development \$10,000 to \$12,500 Career Development Criteria \$10,000 to \$12,500
- 4. Medical Individual \$27.67, Two-Party \$65.23, Family \$83.40
- 5. Dental Single \$10.02, Two-Party \$17.56, Family \$26.56

### ADD TO PRESENT AGREEMENT

1. The school board shall organize its administrative structures to allow building administrators a viable part in the administrative team. The building administrator's recommendations be considere when the school board is making decisions that affect the operation of their schools. All building administrators shall be a part of the administrative team and given the responsibility, authority, help and time to carry out their duties.

PAA NEGOTIATIONS
AGREEMENT (Continued):

2. TEACHER-IN-CHARGE:

Base salary from Teacher's negotiated salary schedule for 1977-7 at proper step and education plus 7% of the Principal's base plu \$50 per each administrative year experience with a maximum of 8 years experience pay.

3. HEAD TEACHERS:

Base salary from Teacher's negotiated salary schedule for 1977-7 at proper step and education plus 12% of the Principal's base plus \$50 per each administrative year experience with a maximum of 8 years experience pay.

4. TEACHING PRINCIPALS:

Base salary from Teacher's negotiated salary schedule for 1977-7 at proper step and education plus 12.75% of Principal's base plu \$50 per each administrative year experience with a maximum of 8 years experience pay.

- 5. Teacher-In-Charge to Career Development and Career Development Criteria.
- 6. A team composed of PAA and Central Office and Board of Education shall study for possible implementation:

Menu Plan Secretarial Formula Multi-Year Contracts

7. OPTICAL:

The District agrees to pay the following MONTHLY amounts toward an optical program for administrators and their families:

\$1.62 - Single \$2.70 - Two-Party \$3.69 - Family

- 8. DENTAL & OPTICAL TO FOLLOWING: ALL BENEFITS NEGOTIATED BY TEACHERS EXCEPT PERSONAL LEAVE AND MEDICAL, ARE INCLUDED IN THIS PACKAGE.
- 9. PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LEAVE:
  Upon retirement, an administrator would receive 25% of his/her
  per diem for accrued personal leave days

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the Peninsula Administrators Association Negotiations Agreement as outlined by Mr. Glick. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Glick, Brower, Cannava, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher stated that Mr. Bruce Forster, Teacher at East Homer Elementary School has requested another draw from the Sick Leave Bank. He missed four days of school and only has enough accumulated sick leave to cover one and a fraction days. Dr. Gallaher recommended that he be granted three days draw from the Sick Leave Bank subject to concurrence by KPEA.

ACTION

SICK LEAVE BANK DRAW BRUCE FORSTER:

SICK LEAVE BANK DRAW
BRUCE FORSTER (Continued):
ACTION

Mrs. Fischer moved to approve three days draw from the Sick Leave Bank for Bruce Forster, subject to concurrence by KPEA. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

RESIGNATIONS/
RETIREMENTS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended the Board accept the resignation of Mr. Patrick D. Grimes, Distributive Education, Kenai Central High School, effective April 15, 1977; and retirement notices from Mrs. Ruth Gnad, Primary, East Homer Elementary School; Mrs. Jean M. Brockel, Music, Soldotna Elementary School; and Mr. Velton W. Cason, Math, Science, Homer Jr/Sr High School effective May 27, 1977.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the resignation of Mr. Patrick D. Grimes, Distributive Education, Kenai Central High School effective April 15, 1977; and retirement notices from Mrs. Ruth Gnad, Primary, East Homer Elementary School; Mrs. Jean M. Brockel, Music, Soldotna Elementary School; and Mr. Velton W. Cason, Math Science, Homer Jr/Sr High School, effective May 27, 1977. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Mrs. Fischer stated that it seems unfair for a teacher to resign in the middle of the year. She added that there should be some obligation on their part to complete their contract.

Mr. Glick stated that the contracts strictly protect the teacher.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he concurs with the comments, as the teacher is breaking the contract. However, he hopes enough Board members vote to accept the resignation or the administration will be placed on the spot Monday when no teacher shows up. He added that it would be a precarious situation with Mr. Grimes still under the school district's employ and the district having to bring in another teacher.

ACTION

Mrs. Fischer moved to amend the motion to vote on the resignation of Patrick Grimes separately. Mr. Glick seconded.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT: YES - Glick, Cannava, Brower, Fischer, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ON MAIN MOTION EXCLUDING THE RESIGNATION OF PATRICK GRIMES:

Motion carried unanimously.

VOTE ON RESIGNATION OF PATRICK GRIMES:

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Glick, Hobart NO - Fischer

Motion passed.

Mr. Hobart suggested the administration write a letter to Mr. Grimes and place a copy of same in his personnel folder.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he would be happy to write Mr. Grimes a letter to inform him of the Board's unhappiness with his resignation

GENERAL PURPOSE:

Dr. Gallaher reminded the Board of the Borough Assembly meeting scheduled for April 19, 1977. He stated that at that time the School District Budget may possibly be acted upon.

NEXT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING:

Dr. Gallaher reminded the Board of the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education which is to be held in Seward at the Seward Elementary School Library at 7:30 P.M., May 2.

NINILCHIK FIRE EXTINGUISHER:

Mrs. Fischer stated that in reviewing the Ninilchik Advisory Committee Notes it was mentioned that fire extinguishers in the elementary building are non-existant. She inquired if this had been corrected.

Mr. Ward stated that it was pointed out to Borough Maintenance who is in charge of replenishing and furnishing these fire extinguishers. He added, however, that he would check into it again

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. O'Connell inquired as to what is the percentage increase reflected in the Peninsula Principals Association Negotiations Agreement.

Dr. Gallaher stated that there is about a 7% increase on the base salary and the total package increase is about 9.4%.

Mr. O'Connell stated that in discussing Mr. Grimes, it should probably be understood that Mr. Grimes is a first year teacher making approximately \$14,000. He added that Mr. Grimes is a good agressive teacher and that he did give a thirty day notice and beyond the thirty day clause in the contract there is no obligation. He stated that if it is the Board's desire to keep good teachers, they have to pay for them. He added that he is sorry to see Mr. Grimes leave.

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board has attempted unsuccessfully to raise the base salary considerably in negotiations.

At 9:10 P.M., by general consent of the Board, the School Board Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

ADJOURN:

The minutes of April 11, 1977, were approved as written on May 2, 1977.



# KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Seward Elementary School Library Seward, Alaska 99664

May 2, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintend t/Instructional Services
Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.
Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Patrick O'Connell

Mr. Tommy Corr

Mrs. Elizabeth Richardson

Mr. James Martin Mr. Joe Carter Mr. Bruce Haines Mrs. Marie Mott Mrs. Betsy Staley Mr. Paul Fischer Mrs. Barbara Banta Ms. Sara Jackinsky Mr. Mahlon Morris

Others present not identified.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:45 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present
Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present
Mr. Carl Glick Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present
Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The School Board minutes of April 11, 1977, were approved as written.

COMMUNICATIONS: KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH RESOLUTION 77-21:

Dr. Gallaher read a communication from the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Officials Resolution 77-21 stating that the total amount to be made available from local sources for school operation for the school year July 1, 1977, through June 30, 1978, shall be \$3,000,000.

SEWARD CITY:

Mr. Hobart read a communication from Joanne E. Shanley, City Clerk-Treasurer, regarding support of the Seward Community Education Council's efforts to maintain Seward High School as a community center facility.

Mr. Hobart suggested the Seward Community Education Council forward a letter to the Borough Assembly regarding use of the Seward High School as they make the final decision regarding the school use.

ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS & CLASSROOM NEEDS STUDY:

Dr. Gallaher provided the Board of Education with a copy of the recently completed enrollment projections and classroom needs for the period to 1981-82. Projected enrollment for 1980-81 in the original report was 6,934 and in the recent study 6,570 or a decrease of 364. While some areas are projected to increase in enrollment, others will decrease from the original projections, and still others will maintain the approximate growth previously forecast. The areas of greatest growth are projected to be Soldotna Elementary, Soldotna Jr. High, Kenai Jr. High, Kenai Central High, North Kenai, Nikolaevsk, Sterling, and Tustumena schools. The study results in eleven recommendations. They are: additions to Anchor Point, Homer Jr/Sr High, Nikolaevsk, Ninilchik, Soldotna Jr. High, Sterling, and Tustumena; an additional elementary school for the Homer area and a new elementary school for the Soldotna area, plus a high school in Soldotna are recommended. In addition, the recommendations provide for further study of the enrollments at North Kenai for the 1977-78 school year and a determination if an addition to the present building or a second school should be provided.

Mr. Ward stated that Mr. Hakert is concerned about information that is to go on the bond issue. He suggested the Board discuss the construction items that are to be placed on the bond issue as soon as possible.

Mr. Glick inquired as to what is attributed to the increase in enrollment at Russian Village School.

Dr. Gallaher stated that more people are moving in there. He added that presently there are three villages, and a fourth is in the making. He stated that the children marry young and have large families.

EVALUATION-ELEMENTARY COMPETITIVE ACTIVITIES POLICY:

Dr. Gallaher stated a committee has been charged with developing an instrument and obtaining evaluations from parents, teachers, and administrators regarding the elementary activities policy and rules and regulations. He stated that a questionnaire was mailed out today; it will be returned by the 20th of this month, a report will be tabulated, and an analysis made and assessment of the results by the 13th of June.

CLASSIFIED NEGOTIATIONS:

Mr. Glick stated that a meeting with the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Classified Association and the Board's Negotiating Team has been scheduled for May 12, 7:00 P.M., International House Conference Room, to discuss negotiations. He added that this is an attempt to meet again for negotiations purposes providing the Classified Association is represented only as the local association.

KPEA NEGOTIATIONS:

Mr. Hobart stated that the negotiations team for the Board and KPEA met with Mr. Harrell Mays of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service on April 25 and 26 to discuss teacher negotiations, however no agreement was reached. He added that he assumes KPEA will pursue obtaining an advisory arbitrator through appointment by the Governor of the State of Alaska.

REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTERS:

Mr. Glick stated that the law provides for Regional Resource Centers in seven districts throughout the State. He added that at the present time there are five active Centers. The law also provides for a State-Wide Advisory Council to establish policies, etc., for the Regional Resource Centers. The Department of Education called a workshop and provided an interim policy council which is composed of two people from each of the active Regional Resource Centers throughout the State. He stated that there were four people at the workshop from the State Department of Education and a facilitator who is working under an NIE grant. Goals for the next five years were developed and the method of permanent policy council members to be selected was established. Mr. Glick stated that he and Dr. John Stamm, Director of the Anchorage Regional Resource Center will be traveling to Juneau May 16 and 17 to inform Governor Hammond and Dr. Lind of what is happening in the Regional Resource Centers and to request their support. He added that the local Regional Resource Center has scheduled a two day meeting this month to work on budget and goals for the coming year.

Dr. Hall stated that Mr. Glick is the President of the Regional Resource Centers Board of Directors and the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District has been actively involved in that center since its establishment.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Swarner presented the Board with the financial report for March 31. He added that he had no comment, other than contrary to the rumor going around, there is not a million dollar surplus in this year's budget.

CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward stated that he assumes bids went out today for the English Bay basement which will be used for the new high school program and the teacherage at Port Graham. He added that another teacher is needed for the Port Graham School due to the addition of the 9th and 10th grade curriculum. The bids for Anchor Point and Tustumena kitchen additions went out today. Mr. Wirum, architect, for the Soldotna elementary and Homer elementary schools was down Thursday to discuss the projects. Mr. Ward reiterated that as of now there are six months before October, and it is necessary to develop the bond package soon.

CONSTRUCTION (Continued):

Mr. Hobart inquired if Mr. Wirum has a contract for the two elementary schools.

Mr. Ward replied in the affirmative.

Mr. Hobart suggested the Board hold a workshop on May 16 to discuss school construction projects and have a regular School Board Meeting on May 23.

Dr. Gallaher stated that one item that will be quite a factor in deciding what is to be included in the bond issue, and in particular the number of dollars, is what happens in Juneau. He stated that there are at least three or four different bills before the legislature that speak to school construction and reimbursement to the Borough from the State. He added that there is nothing wrong with assessing the situation and establishing some construction priorities.

Mrs. Fischer stated that regarding the Tyonek trailers, she understands that there is some objection to trailers being placed in the village.

Mr. Ward stated that there is an apparent problem of placing more trailers in the village at this time. However, it is assumed that there will be a meeting within the next couple of weeks of the village council to resolve the problem. He added the Board is aware of the housing problem of last year when we didn't have trailers there and had to rely on village housing. It was thought to be worked out and a week before school started there was no housing available for teachers. He stated that tomorrow evening the Borough is going to act on funding three more trailers for that village. However, at this point there is no place to put them. We are looking into the possibility of putting them out by the lumber camp; however, they also have an agreement with the village as to who lives at the camp and in the houses.

Dr. Gallaher stated that in his last conversation Dr. Myers indicated the problem would be resolved.

SEWARD ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Mr. Joe Carter, Chairman, Seward Advisory School Committee, requested the Board to reconsider its scheduled staff reductions planned for FY 78 in the Seward area schools. He stated that the quality of education has greatly increased during the past two years and it is unfortunate that the quality of education is directly related to numbers of students.

ALTERNATE STUDY PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall recommended placement of one studnet to the Alternate Study Program. He stated that the family recently moved to Alaska and there is not sufficient time this semester to receive any credits in school. He added that once the parents are settled in a permanent residence, they will enroll their child in public school.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve one student to the Alternate Study Program as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

MINI-COURSE APPROVALS:

Dr. Hall stated that Kenai Jr. High School is requesting approval to offer mini-courses for the last week of May. He recommended approval.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the mini-courses for Kenai Jr. High School for the last week of May. Mr. Glick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

At 8:20 P.M., by general consent of the Board, a short recess was called.

At 8:30 P.M., the Board reconvened in regular session.

Mr. Kirkpatrick requested approval for purchases of various furniture and equipment items for Soldotna Elementary School in the amount of \$560.40, for Nikolaevsk School in the amount of \$701.75, and for Seward High School in the amount of \$1,794.32.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that it is the administration's intent to have the new Seward High School furnished at the opening of the school, whenever that may be. He added that there is a successful vendor for the Seward High School furniture and equipment items.

Mr. Hobart inquired as to what the panel is for the Russian Village School.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that it is a room divider for the office to give the head teacher more privacy due to the presence of an additional student work station.

Mr. Hobart inquired if the tables for Soldotna Elementary were being used for the change over in one of the rooms.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that the six rectangular tables are to be placed one in each classroom of the new building addition.

Mrs. Owens moved to approve the purchases of furniture and equipment - New Construction Accounts for Soldotna Elementary School in the amount of \$560.40, for Nikolaevsk School in the amount of \$701.75, and for Seward High School in the amount of \$1,794.32. Mrs. Morris seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Owens, Glick, Morris, Brower, Cannava, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

RECESS:

RECONVENE:

FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT NEW CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNTS:

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

Mr. Swarner presented Budget Transfers #76-137, #76-138, #76-140, #76-141, #76-143, #76-145, #76-146, #76-147 and #76-150 and recommended approval of same.

#76-137, Central Office/District-Wide: from Account #01-099-410-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to Account #01-099-100-000-400, Professional-Technical Service, \$2,183.00;

#76-138, Soldotna Junior High School: from Account #01-012-605-000-453, Janitorial Supplies, to Account #01-012-800-000-426, Travel, \$900.00;

#76-140, Tustumena Elementary School:
from Account #01-045-200-000-470, Instructional Media, to
Account #01-045-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$300.00;
from Account #01-045-100-000-470, Instructional Media, to
Account #01-045-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$149.00; and
from Account #01-045-605-000-441, Repairs and Maintenance, to
Account #01-045-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$200.00;

#76-141, Ninilchik School:
from Account #01-002-515-000-520, Equipment-Replace, to
Account #01-002-100-000-520, Regular Instruction/Equipment-Replace,
\$1,899.00;

#76-143, Cooper Landing School:
from Account #01-032-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-032-330-000-469, Other Supplies, \$25.00;
from Account #01-032-605-000-452, Maintenance Supply, to
Account #01-032-605-000-457, Small Tools-Equipment, \$50.00; and
from Account #01-032-800-000-426, Travel, to
Account #01-032-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$350.00;

#76-145, Seward Elementary School: from Account #01-042-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-042-515-000-454, Office Supplies, \$750.00;

#76-146, Susan B. English School:
from Account #01-003-420-000-470, Instructional Media, to
Account #01-003-100-000-470, Regular Instruction/Instructional
Media, \$800.00;
from Account #01-003-200-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-003-200-000-470, Instructional Media, \$65.00;
from Account #01-003-605-000-457, Small Tools-Equipment, to
Account #01-003-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$100.00; from
Account #01-003-605-000-426, Travel, to
Account #01-003-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$160.00;
from Account #01-003-155-000-530, Other Expenses, to
Account #01-003-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$100.00; and
from Account #01-003-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$200.00;

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-147, Susan B. English School:
from Account #01-003-160-702-412, Telephone, to
Account #01-003-515-000-412, Office of the School Principal Telephone, \$300.00;
from Account #01-003-420-000-411, Postage, to
Account #01-003-515-000-412, Telephone, \$200.00; and
from Account #01-003-515-000-530, Other Expenses, to
Account #01-003-515-000-426, Travel, \$200.00;

#76-150, North Kenai Elementary School: from Account #01-039-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-039-515-000-426, Travel, \$150.00.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-137, #76-138, #76-140, #76-141, #76-143, #76-145, #76-146, #76-147, and #76-150, as recommended. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Mrs. Fischer stated that in view of the future financial situation facing the Board she would like further justification on Budget Transfer #76-137. She added that a transfer of these funds at this time for this particular item may not be what the Board considers priority.

Dr. Hall stated that on March 25, the State Board of Education officially adopted new rules and regulations that require accreditation of all public schools in the State of Alaska and this money is to be used to work with the staff on curriculum development so that the district may meet state requirements. He added that it is probably the most important expenditure that the district will make for next year.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the state required that the Board contract with the National Center for Career Education?

Dr. Hall stated that they do not require it. However, the Board has concurred with the program in a previous meeting and it follows the similar process that the Board authorized for curriculum development for K-6.

Mrs. Fischer suggested having it done by some of the qualified people that we already have on the staff.

Dr. Hall stated that it is a minimal cost and it is an area that is our primary function, and he thinks it is important to make certain that our staff has the necessary background and information for curriculum development.

Dr. Gallaher stated that these dollars, if not spent this year, would not be available to the Board of Education for the next fiscal '78 budget.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

Dr. Hall stated that his approach is that regardless of what the Borough Assembly does relative to the school budget, we still have a responsibility to maintain, as close as possible, the type of instructional program that the citizens on this peninsula expect and it requires some expenditures of money and the money is available now and can be encumbered for expenditures for next year through contractual negotiations.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the Board could also encumber this money for something that may have a higher priority?

Dr. Hall stated that it is quite possible; however, at this time he does not feel there is anything that would have a higher priority than the instructional program.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she agreed the instructional program is a high priority. However, she is not sure that contracting the National Center for Career Education is.

Mrs. Fischer moved to amend the motion to postpone consideration of Budget Transfer #76-137 until further study is made and until after the budget has been set and priorities established.

MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if this would be the only cost.

Dr. Hall replied in the affirmative. He stated that it would cover the ninety semester hours of training of our secondary teachers in curriculum development and the computer resources of all career education programs.

Mrs. Cannava stated then in other words we would not need this again next year.

Dr. Hall stated that this will be encumbered and a contract will be written this year which will become effective next year; therefore, we will not be expending additional money next year for this same sort of thing.

Mrs. Cannava inquired as to what would happen the year after.

Dr. Hall stated that we would train at least forty of our secondary teachers who in turn will work within their local school to continue the training with the members that we were unable to provide funds for to attend the in-service.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Morris, Owens, Glick, Hobart NO - Fischer

Motion passed.

ACTION

UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE -DELORIS BABCOCK AND
RICHARD CARIGNAN:

Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of two unpaid leave of absences for the 1977-78 school year. One for Deloris Babcock, 6th grade teacher, East Homer Elementary School, and one for Richard Carignan, Vice-Principal, Kenai Jr. High Shcool. Dr. Gallaher stated that Mr. Carignan received word last week that he was accepted into the Doctoral program at the University of Oregon and the leave of absence is to obtain his Doctorate. In both instances the building administrators are in agreement with the request for the unpaid leave of absences.

ACTION

Mrs. Morris moved to approve the unpaid leave of absences for the 1977-78 school year for Deloris Babcock, 6th grade teacher, East Homer Elementary School; and for Richard Carignan, Vice-Principal, Kenai Jr. High School. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

REEMPLOYMENT NON-TENURE TEACHERS:

Dr. Gallaher stated there are 109 non-tenure teachers in total on the list, of which 102 are full-time classroom teachers, six are half-time teachers, and one is a 3/5-time teacher. He added 36, if approved tonight, will be on tenure when school begins next fall. Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of the 109 teachers for reemployment with the understanding that with the reduced budget a number of the positions indicated may not be available in September due to a deficiency of operating funds, and thus necessitating the voidance of contracts. The teachers are as follows:

### ANCHOR POINT

\*Betha Chesser Mike Hopson James Nelson P/T

#### BOB BARTLETT

Ron Millay William Hall \*Carol Simons Paul Zobeck Phyllis Millay Rose Eckerstrom

#### EAST HOMER

Deborah Chace
\*Phyllis Cooper
Joanne Rogers
Deborah Poore
Kelly Macaulay, ½ Time
Patricia Wise, ½ Time

## HOMER JR/SR HIGH

\*Amy Budge
James Ballentine
Emily Gibbons
Robert Macaulay
Frances Miller, ½ Time
Robert Norbert
Betty Jo Tillman
Steve Wolfe
Barbara Browning
Diana Marsh (Area)

#### KENAI CENTRAL HIGH

Cecelia Hardy
\*Virginia Burgener
\*Michele Gollhofer
\*Michael Heaphy
Robert McCard
Robert Boudreaux
\*Cindy Romberg
Mark Brown

REEMPLOYMENT NON-TENURE TEACHERS (Continued):

#### KENAI ELEMENTARY

David Schwartz
Rose Frankl
Elaine Larson, P/T, 1/5 Time

#### KENAI JUNIOR HIGH

Kathleen Brothen
Joseph Dilley
\*Patrick Dixon
Carol Ernst
\*Elizabeth Leonard
Carla Stanley
\*Martha Wallace
\*John Walsh
Edward Becker

#### NIKOLAEVSK

\*Susan Lockwood Karen DiGiorgio James Nelson, P/T

#### NINILCHIK

Elaine Thomas
David Brann
\*Wade Jackinsky
LuAnne Nelson

#### NORTH KENAI

\*Carolyn Peacock
Rebecca Smith
\*Donald Webster, P/T
Elaine Hicks
Mary L. Estes, ½ Time

#### SEARS ELEMENTARY

Jacqueline Imle \*Craig Jung \*Carolyn Page Joseph Page Margaret Riedel Barbara Arness Marjorie Hays

#### SEWARD ELEMENTARY

\*Howard Draper Charles See Ruth Mai, ½ Time Sally Martin Donna Gutterman Bruce Haines, P/T

#### SEWARD HIGH

\*Barbara Blowers
Douglas Capra
\*Mark Larson
\*Charles Lockwood
\*Cynthia Tarcon
Bruce Haines, P/T
Barbara Lapworth (Area)

#### SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY

Carol Nelson
Linda Branham
\*Judith DeVito
Mary France
\*Susan Legner
Thomas Anderson
Louise Mutter-McCard
\*Marie Aamodt

#### SOLDOTNA JUNIOR HIGH

\*Frances Brown Eldon Brothen \*Terry McBee \*Etta Mae Near Barbara Dilley \*Steve Verba

#### STERLING ELEMENTARY

Donna Kime
\*Joyce Norman
Donna Wiley
\*Donald Webster, P/T
Patricia DeBusschere, P/T
Richard Waisanen

REEMPLOYMENT NON-TENURE TEACHERS (Continued):

SUSAN B. ENGLIGH

Harold Neace
Mike Sharp
\*Leonard Lusk
\*Marilyn Standefer
Kelly Smith
Mark Newton

TUSTUMENA

Margaret Lilla Patricia DeBusschere, P/T Elaine Larson, P/T, 2/5 Time DISTRICT-WIDE

\*Wanda Claeys Susan Dunk \*Frank Hicks Jacque Schaafsma

UNASSIGNED

Bettina Whitney
Sara Jackinsky
Gary Horrel
Pam Jonas, ½ Time

\*Teachers become tenure on first day of 1977-78 school year P/T Part time under two schools

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the list of non-tenure teachers for reemployment with the understanding that with the reduced budget a number of the positions indicated may not be available in September due to a deficiency of operating funds, and thus necessitating the voidance of contracts. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Glick, Morris, Owens, Fischer, Cannava, Brower, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he is recommending that six non-tenure teachers not be reemployed for the 1977-78 school year. He stated that this in no way reflects upon their teaching as being unsatisfactory. He added that the teachers, in every instance, are very fine teachers. The names of the teachers and reasons for the non-reemployment are as follows:

Marie Mott - Interim teacher at Seward Elementary while regular teacher was on unpaid leave of absence.

Marguerite Wilcox - Declining enrollment at Seward Elementary.

Patricia See - Declining enrollment at Seward Elementary.

Paula McFarland - Half-time interim assignment that is discontinued at East Homer Elementary.

Bradley Jacot - Interim assignment while regular teacher was on sabbatical leave at Ninilchik.

JoAnne McCabe - Half-time position being discontinued at Seward High due to declining enrollment.

ACTION

NON-REEMPLOYMENT OF NON-TENURE TEACHERS:

NON-REEMPLOYMENT OF NON-TENURE TEACHERS (Continued):

ACTION

RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS:

ACTION

ANALYSIS OF FISCAL '78 BUDGET CUT:

Dr. Gallaher stated that if vacancies occur in the areas where these people are interested and qualified there will be no hesitancy to recommend them for reemployment. In areas where teachers are not being reemployed due to declining enrollment, assuming money is available, if additional teachers are needed at the beginning of school, these teachers will be reemployed.

Mrs. Brower moved to approve Dr. Gallaher's recommendation for the non-reemployment of six non-tenure teachers for the 1977-78 school year. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher stated that there are six teachers resigning — four of whom are on tenure and are retiring and two who chose not to return to the school system for the 1977-78 school year. Dr. Gallaher recommended accepting the retirement notices from Walter Thomas, Social Studies, Science, Anchor Point Elementary School; Jane Hammond, 4th Grade, North Kenai Elementary; Claramae Moore, Math, Kenai Jr. High School; and Coressa Mercereau, 2nd Grade, Sears Elementary School; and resignations from Dennis Mallinson, Special Services, Seward Elementary School; and Bruce Forster, 4th Grade, East Homer Elementary School, effective May 27, 1977.

Mrs. Fischer moved to accept the resignations and retirement notices as outlined by Dr. Gallaher. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher noted that a reduction of \$1,537,803 cannot be absorbed without doing injustice to the present and planned school program. In reducing the budget by \$1,537,803 he said we must scrutinize the entire arena of educational services and programs contained in the fiscal '78 budget so as to do the least violence to the education of the boys and girls. However, no reduction of this magnitude can be accommodated without affecting staff. And reduction of staff affects the quality of the educational program. A study of the budget soon reveals that certain programs and services cannot be reduced without the loss of the money from the State that fund them. Reduction of the programs or services will be a corresponding loss of revenue. Further scrutiny of the budget reveals that very little can be done to reduce the dollars for supplies, heat, light, telephone, postage, etc. Furthermore, there are areas such as Retirement, Social Security, Bilingual Programs, etc. that are mandated by law, hence, cannot be diminished or discontinued. A further look at the budget reveals that many areas are affected by or directly related to Negotiated Agreements and contracts with employees, all of which are legally binding on the Board of Education. For example, salary schedules must be honored, personal and sick leave must be granted, hospitalization premiums must be paid, etc. All of this amounts to several millions of dollars. Consequently, we come to a point where the \$1,537,803 must be taken from the vulnerable elements of the budget which amount to about \$9,000,000 to \$10,000,000. The obvious question is, where can the budget be reduced? The following, he

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ANALYSIS OF FISCAL '78
BUDGET CUT (Continued):

concluded, are about the only areas that can be reduced or deleted to absorb the \$1,537,803 budget cut: Staff (teachers, administrators, secretaries, nurses, paraprofessionals), Kindergarten, Extra-Curricular Activities, Community College, Employee Out-of-District Travel, State Tournament Financing, Equipment, Professional Services; New Programs such as Hockey, Driver Education, Media Center, Microfilming, Curriculum Specialist, Activity Bus, Warehouse Rental, School Lunch Program. Dr. Gallaher further explained that three forces or factors operate to increase the cost of education in the Peninsula School System, namely (1) inflation, (2) increased enrollments each year, and (3) the requests from parents and school patrons for new and expanded programs.

BACCALAUREATE COMMENCEMENT DATES:

Mr. Hobart stated that in the agenda packet is a list of dates and times for Baccalaureate and Commencement Exercises. Dr. Gallaher stated that it is not necessary for a Board member to attend the Baccalaureates. However, at least one Board member should attend the Commencement Exercises at the various schools. The dates and times for the Baccalaureate and Commencement Exercises are as follows: Bob Bartlett, Graduation, May 25, 1977, 7:30 P.M.; Kenai Central High School, Baccalaureate, May 15, 1977, 8:00 P.M., Gym, Graduation, May 20, 1977, 7:00 P.M., Gym; Homer High, Baccalaureate, May 22, 1977, 3:00 P.M., Gym, Graduation, May 25, 1977, 8:00 P.M., Gym; Ninilchik High, Baccalaureate/ Graduation, May 22, 1977, 8:00 P.M., Gym; Seward High, Baccalaureate May 22, 1977, 2:00 P.M., Elementary Gym, Graduation, May 22, 1977, 8:00 P.M., Elementary Gym; Susan B. English, Graduation, May 20, 1977, 8:00 P.M., Gym; Community College Graduation, May 4, 7:00 P.M. Board Members and Central Office Personnel planning to attend Commencement programs of the six high schools are as follows: Bob Bartlett - Mrs. Sheila Owens, Dr. James Hall; Kenai Central High School - Mr. Carl Glick, Mrs. Sharon Brower, Dr. James Hall, Dr. Paul C. Gallaher; Homer Jr/Sr High School - Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Mr. Jerry Hobart, Mr. Don Kirkpatrick; Ninilchik High School -Mrs. Sandra Morris, Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Mr. Richard Swarner, Dr. Paul C. Gallaher; Seward High School - Mr. Jerry Hobart, Mrs. Sharon Brower, Mr. Walter Ward, Mr. Don Kirkpatrick; and Susan B. English - Mrs. Sandra Morris, Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Mrs. Sheila Owens, Mr. Walter Ward. Mr. Carl Glick will be attending the Community College Commencement Exercises.

GENERAL PURPOSE:

Mrs. Fischer suggested the Seward Advisory Committee send a copy of its minutes to the School Board Secretary so that they may be placed in the information packets for Board Members.

Mr. Joe Carter stated that as a concerned citizen for education, as well as a taxpayer, he had listened to the school district's plans for operating an educational program with those reductions made by the Borough Assembly. His concern is what action has been taken by the Board in response to the Borough Assembly action on the budget other than having planned to operate the programs within the dollars that were allocated by the Assembly.

GENERAL PURPOSE (Continued):

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board of Education held the budget workshops and to his knowledge there were only two assembly members attending the sessions.

Mr. Carter inquired what action the Board, as an elected body representing the taxpayers, plans to take regarding the cut.

Mr. Hobart stated that he did not know that the Board of Education had any choice, as when we presented the budget, we gave criteria backing the budget and now it is up to the Borough Assembly. Mr. Hobart stated that the Borough Assembly will meet May 17th to take further action on the budget. He added that the Board of Education plans to meet Monday, May 23rd, and take whatever action is necessary.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if Mr. Carter had something particular in mind.

Mr. Carter stated that his concern was that many in the audience from the Seward community plan to attend the Borough Assembly meeting to voice concerns over the educational cuts. He added his concern is that the School Board, as elected representatives for the various areas, is taking the position that after the Assembly decides what they are going to allot for educational programs is going to build the educational programs around those dollars. He doesn't see how the school district can have any educational growth or development of programs by adopting a policy like that.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Board of Education has spent much time in developing this budget and there is no misunderstanding that the Board of Education requested local effort in excess of 4.5 million dollars. The Board of Education is still committed to that figure and that at no time would the Board say that we would be willing to see it funded for less. However, when the final action is taken by the Borough Assembly, the Board of Education has to live with the established figure. In the meantime, the Board and the Central Office Administration are trying to inform the people in the communities regarding what has happened and the areas of school programs that are going to be affected. It is doubtful any Board Member or the Superintendent going to the Borough Assembly will have effect on any action taken on the budget by that body.

Mr. Carter stated that in the educational process the last three years, he has seen at least the two previous school budgets accepted and has seen much growth in the quality of education. His fear, however, is that it is going back to the personnel and politics controlling the dollars that are used for educational programs on the peninsula.

Mr. Bruce Haines inquired as to what a community, parents and concerned citizens could do that would affect the Borough Assembly members vote on the budget.

GENERAL PURPOSE (Continued):

Mr. Hobart stated that there are some Borough Assembly members here this evening and possibly you could convey your thoughts to them. He added that citizen attendance at the Borough Assembly meeting on the 17th could be helpful.

Mr. Haines stated then the recommendation would be to attend the Borough Assembly meeting on May 17th.

Mr. Hobart stated "yes", or at least call or write your Borough Assembly people and state your feelings.

Mr. Haines inquired if the Board had a record of the Borough Assembly vote.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the action of the Borough Assembly approving the \$3,000,000 funding for next year was vetoed by the Borough Mayor for reasons that the level of funding the Assembly was offering was not sufficient to provide quality education to students in this school district. Dr. Gallaher added that he felt the Mayor was very courageous in so doing. However, the Assembly then voted to override the veto, and in overriding the veto Mrs. Oldow, Mr. O'Connell, Mr. Corr, Mr. Crawford, and Mrs. Branson voted to support the Mayor. The other members voted to override the veto, which left the \$3,000,000 figure standing.

An unidentified gentleman in the audience stated that other than inflation the budget is the same as it was last year, and the level of services we had this year would continue next year.

Dr. Gallaher stated that there were some additional programs and services, plus additional students to accommodate.

Mr. Hobart stated that over \$400,000 was instituted in new programs at the request of the general public.

Mr. Fischer stated that he was on the Assembly and voted against the Mayor's veto. He stated that the Borough budget this year is projecting \$1.2 million surplus and is money spent or collected from taxpayers in two previous tax years. It has not been resolved what to do with that \$1.2 million. If the Assembly chooses to take the \$1.2 million and apply it towards capital improvements or reduce the bonded indebtedness, since this was collected during a previous tax year, then the Borough is \$1.2 million short. When the Mayor designed his budget he included the total amount that the school district requested plus the things the Borough needed, but the \$1.2 million was included as operating money. People are concerned about being overtaxed but Mr. Fischer's philosophy has been that we tax only for what we need. He questioned what would happen to next year's budget if we carry the surplus in this year's operating budget. He stated a monetary reason would be that a 1.2 mill increase in taxes would be needed to cover it. Another reason is that a petition is being taken in the Borough to repeal the sales If the electorate and the people decide to go along with this petition, there will be \$2.6 million less per year, which means the taxes will be increased 2.6 mills per year. We have all anticipated

GENERAL PURPOSE (Continued):

the gas plant on the North Road becoming a reality. If this happens, it is going to be the economic boom to the Borough. Mr. Fischer stated that one of the reasons he feels a little irritated is that last year he voted to give the school district the money it requested. What's the first thing that happened? School lunch went up; the second thing Seward got rammed --\$25,000 was taken out of its capital equipment account. When he voted for that budget he assumed Seward was getting that total amount of money and not randomly cut three teachers because the enrollment went down, but he felt this was the beginning of a numbers game. When the support comes for the budget he looks at the budget and assumes each school is getting what is in that budget. When it is cut he doesn't have line item control but thought it wrong to look at a budget and then see things changed. He stated that he voted for \$3,000,000 and is willing to compromise but thinks both groups should get together as we're not playing oneupsmanship, which seems to be the whole situation. All kids are going to be affected. He said he once made the statement to a man that he would vote to give as much money as needed, that no personnel is cut, that he still believed in that, but there were other areas that may need to be looked at.

Dr. Gallaher stated that would be line item control.

Mr. Fischer requested that he be able to make one more point as it is the only chance he has to speak out.

Mr. Hobart stated that Mr. Fischer did have a chance at the Borough Assembly meeting, however he didn't say a thing.

Dr. Hall stated that there were three months of Board work-sessions and nothing was said.

Mr. Fischer stated that the Assembly holds budgetary hearings as well as the school district, but no one has a copy of the budget to take home and study to be able to know what to come in and talk about. He added this is why the hearings are not worth anything.

Dr. Gallaher stated that regarding the equipment if Mr. Martin and Mrs. Richardson are here they would both attest to the fact that Seward has received ample equipment money in the last two years, perhaps about as much as they have requested. There were no cuts in personnel last year. He thought Mrs. Richardson would agree the staff in this building this year exceeded the number provided by the formula by which staff is determined. Proposed cuts for next year are the result of reduction in anticipated enrollment and as stated earlier, and which has been in practice the past year, if money is available and enrollment justifies it, teachers will be here. Dr. Gallaher inquired how many in the audience believe the Borough Assembly should approve the \$4.5 million requested by the Board for the school budget.

A show of hands indicated those in the audience were practically unanimous in supporting the \$4.5 million figure.

ADJOURN:

At 10:00 P.M., by general consent of the Board, the School Board Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President

firs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of May 2, 1977 were approved as written on May 23, 1977.



# KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

May 23, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services
Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.
Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Patrick O'Connell

Mr. Tommy Corr
Mrs. Jean Douglas
Mr. Paul Fischer
Mrs. Betsy Staley
Mrs. Gail Sibson
Mrs. Judy Dragseth
Mrs. Catherine Parker

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mrs. Joyce Thompson Mrs. Janice Fairchild Dr. Charles Craig Mr. Justin Maile

Mrs. Collette Yamamoto

Mr. Bill Schrier
Mrs. Ginnie Savoie
Mrs. Wilma Hostetter
Mr. Jim Nelson

Mrs. Dody Tachick Mr. Bob Richardson

Others present not identified

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present
Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present
Mr. Carl Glick Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present
Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The School Board minutes of May 2, 1977, were approved as written.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

CITY OF SEWARD:

Dr. Gallaher stated that for the Board's information, on May 12, 1977, a resolution #77-17 regarding the Borough School Budget for fiscal year 1977-78 was sent to the Borough Assembly President from the City of Seward requesting that the Assembly restore the funds deleted from the School Board's Budget.

PETITION:

Also a letter and petition with eighty names directed to Mayor Gilman and a copy sent to him from people in the Kenai Area - Sears Elementary School requesting that the Borough Assembly restore the local effort money as requested by the Board of Education.

NINILCHIK ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Dr. Gallaher read a communication from Stan Friese stating that the Ninilchik Advisory School Committee went on record on May 5, 1977, as supporting the Community Schools Program. If funds are available it is urged that Ninilchik continue as a community participating in the program.

PENINSULA OILERS:

Dr. Gallaher read a letter addressed to the Board from the Peninsula Oilers requesting use of the Kenai Elementary School for housing visiting baseball teams. It would be for the period June 10 through August 2. The Oilers are a non-profit community service corporation involved in managing a high grade baseball program and building a major ballpark. The details of the operation are: Season - Between June 10 and August 2; Number of dates of occupancy - estimated 23; Number of Personnel -Two coaches, eighteen to twenty-two players; Facilities Needed -Shower area, two classrooms for sleeping purposes, and Home Economics Room. The Oilers would pay a rental fee of a minimum of \$1,200 for rental of facility including janitorial service. The fee would be paid half in advance and the balance paid on August 3. There would be adult supervision during use of the facilities; the Oilers would employ as cook a staff person from the Food Service of the Kenai School System; provide beds, linen and towels to players, and abide by all regulations established by the Kenai School Administration.

KPEA:

Mr. Hobart read a communication from Mr. Tom Murphy, President of KPEA, stating that the Kenai Peninsula Education Association requests arbitration in the matter of contract negotiations for the 1977-79 school years. KPEA suggested that Mr. Vincent O'Reilly be considered as arbitrator. Mr. O'Reilly has consented to serve for a fee of two hundred dollars (\$200) per day. A fifty percent sharing of the costs by the Board and the Association was suggested.

CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE:

Mr. Ward reported that the Construction Advisory Committee met the the previous Thursday and plans and specs are available to contractors for the English Bay remodeling, Port Graham teacherage, Tyonek Home Economics facility, and the kitchen storage areas for the Anchor Point and Tustumena schools. Bids will be opened at 2:00 P.M. on June 1 at the Borough Office.

CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE (Continued):

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Hopefully the project will be completed by the 20th of August. A meeting will be held on Thursday, May 19, with the Construction Advisory Committee on the above mentioned projects.

Mr. Swarner reported that the Financial Report for the month of April is in the Board's agenda packet. He stated that the Pupil Transportation Account will exceed the budgeted amount due to the negotiations between Carver and the State Department of Education earlier in the school year. He added that no adjustments have been made and as a result of that item we will run over for the current year. However, there will be an offsetting revenue to take care of that. It is 100% state funded.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she understands there is a petition for a transfer of \$300,000 for offsetting deficit of slow revenue funds coming in. She stated that she has checked the budget revenues and there is over \$1,000,000. She stated that she did not understand why the District needed the \$300,000.

Mr. Swarner stated that payroll is set up with three options for the method by which teachers desire to receive their contracted salary for the school year. There is the 9-month equal payments, 12-month equal payments, or 12-month basis with lump sum payment on the last day of school in May. Therefore, there is a ballooned payroll in May. Generally the payroll is \$800,000 per month; however, in May it is 1.3 million dollars. As a result we end up with a cash flow problem. While it shows we have funds available, the majority of the funds are spent in the month of May.

KPBSDCA:

Mrs. Gail Sibson, President, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Classified Association, stated that on May 12 the Board's Negotiating Team for the Classified walked out on negotiations for the second time. This time it was due to the fact that the Classified Association had affiliated, not merged, with KPFT Local #3255, the Board's own employees, the teachers. She stated that the Classified have been trying to settle a contract for the 1977-78 school year since January 12, of this year. The Classified began negotiations just as a group of concerned employees willing to give up time to get a package for the next school year. The Board's team had informed the Association that the Board had authorized them to give the Classified \$157,000 and that was it. As far as the Board's team was concerned, negotiations were over. She added that the Board was not being realistic, as they were not giving the Classified anything to combat the rise in consumer prices. Therefore, the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Classified Association was organized which the Board recognized February 7, 1977. However, some of the items that the Board was once willing to discuss were now non-negotiable items because of the Board's "inherent managerial policy". The Board would negotiate job concerns. Because of the situation, the Classified obtained a consultant, a common privilege used by

KPBSDCA (Continued):

negotiations teams. She stated that the Association brought its consultant into the negotiations room. However, the Board's team walked out putting negotiations at an impasse. Fortunately, the Classified were offered support from the KPFT members. On May 12 the Board's team agreed to return to the table, fully aware that the Classified were affiliated with KPFT, Local #3255. The Board's team stated that the Classified were violating Board policy; however, the Classified were not aware the teachers, the Board's own employees, were an outside group. In the Board's policy there are no restrictions on the use of consultants for Classified. However, they were denied the right to have a consultant at the table -- a privilege the Board practiced at every session and the Board has negotiated with the Classified two years in a row when they were not a recognized group, a requirement of the Board's own policy. She added that the message comes across loud and clear -- the Board does not want to negotiate with its Classified. She added that the Classified Association came to the Board in good faith, honestly and most sincerely to share job concerns. She inquired as to what has happened for the Board's concern for its own people, its employees, the people who make the schools possible.

Mr. Hobart stated that he believed the last figure offered the Association was above \$157,000. He stated that evidently the court of law in the State of Alaska does not feel that the Board is in violation of its policy. He added that he feels the Board is abiding by the law and doing what is right.

Dr. Hall presented the Board with requests from Kenai Central High School for approval of new course offerings. He stated that as it is the closing of the school year and the schedule can be completed for Kenai Central High School, there are requests for approval of two courses: One entitled Business Law II, and the other Introduction to Oral English. He added that it is necessary that we have the Oral English to meet the district requirements of one full credit in Written and Oral English in order to bring the course offerings in line with those requirements.

Dr. Hall presented the Board with additional requests from Kenai Jr. High School requesting approval of three courses. The first entitled Basic Human Physiology and First Aid; the first quarter would cover the basic physiology of ten body systems which would include circulatory, digestive, nervous, skeletal, muscular, etc. The second quarter course, entitled World of Water, would be based upon the Standard Red Cross First Aid and Personal Safety Manuals. This is an introductory course of Marine Science which involves field, lab and classroom work emphasizing the ecology of the oceans, the main life cycles, chemistry and physics of sea water, mapping of the ocean floor, etc. The third course is entitled Consumer Education. He added that it is a course of necessity to begin at junior high level since eventually one of the performance objectives will involve some consumer economics and consumer survival. He stated that after discussing these with the local administrators and some of the staff he would recommend approval.

COURSE APPROVALS
KCHS & KENAI JR. HIGH:

COURSE APPROVALS KCHS & KENAI JR. HIGH (Continued):

Mrs. Owens inquired if the course, Introduction to Oral English. would be graded A. B. C. etc.

Dr. Hall replied in the affirmative.

Mrs. Owens inquired if the courses for the Junior High would be repetitious once the students are in high school.

Dr. Hall replied negatively, stating that these are basic courses and would not be at that advanced level.

Mrs. Cannava inquired as to how this would work with different junior high students going to the high school if the minth grade curriculum at Kenai Jr. High is different from that at Soldotna Jr. High.

Dr. Hall stated that it would make a difference in the background training in students. However, there is not much the Board or administration can do as long as the minth graders are in two different schools.

Mrs. Owens inquired if Consumer Education at the Junior High would be a credit course?

Dr. Hall stated that it was an elective course and the schools only offer a certain number of electives. With the student advisory academic program the individual local administrator and staff base their programs on the students' needs.

Mrs. Fischer recommended postponing approval of the Kenai Jr. High School course offerings until the June 6th School Board Meeting.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the new course offerings for Kenai Central High School as recommended by Dr. Hall. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfers #76-144, #76-154, #76-155, #76-156, #76-159, #76-160, #76-162, and #76-164.

#76-144, Sears Elementary School: From Account #01-041-200-000-457, Small Tools & Equipment, to Account #01-041-200-000-510, Equipment-New, \$134.00; from Account #01-041-200-000-520, Equipment-Replace, to Account #01-041-200-000-510, Equipment-New, \$178.00; from Account #01-041-200-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-041-200-000-510, Equipment-New, \$66.00; from Account #01-041-200-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-041-200-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$15.00; from Account #01-041-605-000-331, Classified Salaries/Overtime, to Account #01-041-650-000-441, Repairs & Maintenance, \$1,029.00; and from Account #01-041-515-000-441, Postage, to Account #01-041-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$300.00.

ACTION

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-154, Special Services:
From Account #01-099-200-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to Account #01-099-200-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$2,000.00; from Account #01-099-200-000-470, Instructional Media, \$3,250.00; from Account #01-099-300-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$1,000.00; from Account #01-099-200-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to Account #01-099-300-000-470, Instructional Media, \$850.00; from Account #01-099-200-000-330, Classified Salaries, to Account #01-099-300-000-510, Equipment-New, \$7,000.00; from Account #01-099-400-000-424, Rentals, to Account #01-099-400-000-454, Office Supplies, \$325.00; and from Account #01-099-200-000-330, Classified Salaries, to Account #01-099-400-000-510, Equipment-New, \$3,000.00.

#76-155, Bartlett School: From Account #01-001-800-000-426, Travel, to Account #01-001-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$1,500.00.

#76-156, Bartlett School:
From Account #01-001-515-000-454, Office Supplies, to
Account #01-001-420-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$47.00; and
from Account #01-001-420-000-470, Instructional Media, to
Account #01-001-420-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$17.00.

#76-159, Seward High School:
From Account #01-008-160-808-470, Instructional Media, to
Account #01-008-100-000-470, Regular Instructional Media, \$75.00;
from Account #01-008-160-808-520, Equipment-Replace, to
Account #01-008-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$600.00;
from Account #01-008-515-000-449, Other Purchased Services, to
Account #01-008-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$250.00; and
from Account #01-008-160-702-510, Equipment-New, to
Account #01-008-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$285.00.

#76-160, Correspondence Study:
From Account #01-099-180-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-099-180-000-510, Equipment-New, \$3,000.00;
from Account #01-099-180-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-099-180-000-411, Postage, \$1,000.00; and
from Account #01-099-180-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-099-180-000-441, Repairs & Maintenance, \$533.00.

#76-162, Sears Elementary:
From Account #01-041-800-000-426, Travel, to
Account #01-041-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$1,400.00; and
from Account #01-041-800-000-426, Travel, to
Account #01-041-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$111.00.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-164, Susan B. English School: From Account #01-003-100-000-510, Reg. Instr./Equipment-New, to Account #01-003-420-000-510, Equipment-New, \$2,467.00; from Account #01-003-160-702-530, Other Expense, to Account #01-003-160-702-520, Equipment-Replace, \$200.00; from Account #01-003-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-003-160-702-520, Equipment-Replace, \$165.00; from Account #01-003-100-000-510, Reg. Instr./Equipment-New, to Account #01-003-160-702-510, Equipment-New, \$896.00; from Account #01-003-100-901-520, Reg. Instr./Equipment-Replace, to Account #01-003-515-000-520, Equipment-Replace, \$40.00; from Account #01-003-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-003-515-000-520, Equipment-Replace, \$641.00; from Account #01-003-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-003-160-808-520, Equipment-Replace, \$994.00; from Account #01-003-100-000-510, Reg. Instr./Equipment-New, to Account #01-003-160-808-510, Equipment-New, \$270.00; and from Account #01-003-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-003-605-000-520, Equipment-Replace, \$300.00.

Mr. Glick inquired as to the justification for Susan B. English.

Mr. Swarner stated that the budget transfer is coupled with the existing funds in their capital equipment plus the supplemental appropriation. In other words, when we make the supplemental appropriation it all goes into the 100-510 account.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if Dr. Hall had a ruling on the legality of how much the Board may spend, relative to going over the appropriation the Borough made to the School District last year.

Dr. Hall stated that the ruling has not come from the Commissioner; however, basically the law says that the Borough sets the total amount of the budget.

Mrs. Fischer stated then we may not go over the total amount of money appropriated last year.

Dr. Hall stated that as an administrative opinion he doesn't believe the Board has ever gone over what was appropriated.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she was concerned with some of the transfers as it seemed that all of a sudden everyone is making equipment purchases. She stated that on the Special Services transfer there are large amounts and in #5 there is a deficit transfer, as her budget only showed \$4,752 to begin with.

Mr. Swarner stated that it was for the purchase of a vehicle and the administration has had some problems with the Special Education budget this year. He added that it was mainly created out of Juneau. They started with the 200-300 accounts and then classified them as 200, 300 and 400 accounts. This transfer puts money into an account with incurred expenditures and it was reconstructed into another classification.

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BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

Mrs. Fischer stated that if it was listed in the 99-200-330 account, we would have taken out \$7,000 from that account; however, we only had \$4,000 in it.

Mr. Swarner stated no. He added that we have had quite a time with this account as we end up with a budget switch, and then we end up with an expenditure switch and it is very difficult to reconstruct records.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Budget Transfers #76-144, #76-154, #76-155, #76-156, #76-159, #76-160, #76-162, and #76-164 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kirkpatrick recommended approval for purchase of furniture and equipment for the new Seward High School in the amount of \$25,898.91.

Mr. Glick moved to approve the purchases of furniture and equipment for the new Seward High School in the amount of \$25,898.91. Mrs. Morris seconded.

VOTE: YES - Owens, Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kirkpatrick requested that the Board add to the agenda, Renovation and Purchase of Gym Lockers for the Boys' Locker Room at KCHS. He added that there is a problem in the boys' locker room as the lockers are undersized, rusted, in poor condition and need to be replaced. He requested that the purchase of the lockers be from the new construction funds. He stated they would cost approximately \$11,760. He added that Mr. Hakert will take this item to the Assembly on June 7 for approval of the lockers and renovation of the locker room.

Mrs. Owens inquired if the removed lockers were to be placed in the girls' athletic room.

Mr. Greg Daniels stated that the girls' locker room is short a few lockers and a few of the better lockers from the boys athletic room would be moved into that area.

Mr. Glick stated if money is available maybe the administration should consider new lockers for the girls' athletic room as well.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve the request for additional lockers at Kenai Central High School for the boys' athletic rooms, but not to place those lockers in the girls' athletic room. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Brower, Cannava, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION

NEW FACILITIES -FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT:

ACTION

NEW FACILITIES FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT
(Continued):
ACTION

Mr. Kirkpatrick recommended approval of purchases of furniture and equipment for the Nikolaevsk School in the amount of \$4,650.00.

Mr. Glick moved to approve the purchase of furniture and equipment for the Nikolaevsk School in the amount of \$4,650.00. Mrs. Morris seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

HOUSE CONSTRUCTION:

Mr. Ward stated that a number of years ago a carpentry class at Kenai Central High School constructed in four different years, four houses. However, the project ended with the loss of the instructor. The administration at Kenai Central High School, the present instructor, and members of the Construction Advisory Committee would like to propose that the House Construction Program be started again next year. He added that the District has two lots left in the first plat. However, they are on the back side of the plat and to obtain water and sewer it would cost over \$20,000. Construction Advisory Committee suggested buying a lot in the Inlet View Subdivision for the first house construction in the program. He added that the course enrollment this time is rather small; however, the committee feels the program will grow once the construction project is started, especially during the second semester. The committee is to meet again in two weeks and, with Board approval, will proceed in securing the lot and getting the program started for next year. The project is for the total vocational area of the school which would involve Home Economics and Business Education. In the past the project operated on a bank loan basis. Once the house was sold the money went into a revolving fund to purchase materials for another house. Previously the houses were constructed in a year's time. However, the Advisory Committee feels it might be better to take two years to build a house so that none of the work will have to be contracted out.

Mr. Hobart stated that in the past the program has received a great amount of interest and has been very successful. He added that he worked with several graduates of Kenai Central who have gone through the program and had gone into the apprenticeship program in the Carpenter's Union in Anchorage. He stated that these boys felt the program was very helpful in preparing them for that program. However, one of the students felt there was need for some improvement.

Mr. Ward stated that Mr. Rogers, Director Special Education, is working on a Project Proposal for Special Education students in construction. In the not too distant future he can foresee those students becoming involved in the program.

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HOUSE CONSTRUCTION (Continued):

Mrs. Brower inquired about the size of the class in the program.

Mr. Ward stated that generally there were between eight to fourteen students participating. He added that presently there is only seven or eight scheduled for the course at KCHS, however by next fall that may increase. He stated that it is a vocationally funded program and there may be a possibility that the district could receive additional funds to hire a part-time instructor to offer other courses in the shop while Mr. Efta is working on the house.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if there are funds presently available from a house that has been sold to fund the initial house construction.

Mr. Swarner replied negatively.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if it would be necessary to take funds from next year's budget to initially fund the project.

Mr. Swarner stated not really; if it is set up as a separate fund then we would end up with a cash flow problem until such time as the house was sold.

Mrs. Fischer stated that may not be in the next year or two.

Mr. Swarner replied in the affirmative, stating that would carry forward as an asset. In other words, the materials on site would be carried over as an asset and we would set up an accounts receivable for whatever the asset might be worth.

Mr. Ward stated that the administration has had four experiences with the funding of this project and to date have had no problems.

Mr. Glick inquired when the last house was sold was the money all encumbered into materials.

Mr. Swarner stated that much equipment was purchased for the shop on the proceeds from the house. Currently we have two lots in the original subdivision which have a receivable of \$5,000 to \$6,000.

Mr. Ward stated that the district is receiving fewer and fewer funds from state and federal, and to be a true vocational program it should be more or less self-sufficient, and this is one project which can involve many students at little cost to the district once it becomes a revolving fund.

Mr. Hobart inquired as to what became of the \$25,000 balance that was carried in the budget.

Mr. Swarner stated that it used to be carried in the old chart of accounts under the General Fund. However, under the new set of accounts the district budgeted the money under the General Fund and then put the receivable into the General Fund. The property is still retained and carried under the General Fund as an asset.

HOUSE CONSTRUCTION (Continued):

ACTION

Mr. Glick inquired as to the price of the lots under consideration for the project.

Mr. Ward stated that to his knowledge it was \$1.00 per square foot.

Mr. Glick moved to approve the Kenai Central High School Construction Program and the purchase of a lot in Inlet View Subdivision. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if this would entail the hiring of additional personnel.

Mr. Ward stated that the only way we would hire additional personnel would be if the district received approval from the State Department on a Memorandum of Agreement and that person would be hired to instruct students in the vocational area in the shop.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Cannava, Brower, Owens, Morris, Glick, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

LOCATION OF SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY & HIGH SCHOOLS:

Mr. Ward stated that last Monday a workshop was held on future construction, with the assumption that next fall there will be a bond issue before the people. One of the first things the Board needs to determine is the location of Soldotna High School and a site for the new elementary school. He stated that the Board did agree at the work session with Plat #1, which is the architects rendition of moving the proposed high school to the north forty acres and thereby making it possible to locate the proposed Soldotna elementary school west of the Soldotna Jr. High School. The other two proposals would leave the high school exactly as it was originally planned and the elementary school would be placed on the mental health land.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to recommend Proposal #1 and proceed with securing the forty acres for the high school grounds. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

RECESS:

At 8:30 P.M., a short recess was called.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 8:45 P.M., the Board reconvened in regular session.

BUDGET FISCAL '78:

Mr. Hobart stated that the Board will not make budget reduction decisions tonight. This item is on the agenda primarily for the purpose of discussion of areas that may be cut.

Mrs. Cannava stated that before the Board makes any decisions about the budget cut it has an obligation to the people who elected them to make some statement concerning the budget. She stated that there are different ways to approach the school budget or any other budget for that matter. First, to think that the printed word of these experts is perfect and so requires no scrutiny is wrong because there is only One who is perfect -- and He wouldn't write a budget. The second way to scrutinize the budget is to think

BUDGET FISCAL '78 (Continued):

either all the originators of the budget, those that worked on it, were either devious or incapable of preparing the budget, or to think from some personal experience that nothing about the schools is ever right, is equally wrong because the prejudgement is wrong and will influence the budget scrutinizer subconsciously or consciously and misconceptions will occur. The third way to look at the budget is as the work of human beings who were trying to do their best to listen to the wants and needs of its constituents who are not perfect. Looking at a budget in this way may result in problems or questions, but with this assumption and with a certain amount of trust, the scrutinizer and originators of the budget should be able to listen to the differences. She added that she hoped those who examined the school budget would belong to the third category. She stated it is interesting to note that to the best of her knowledge, which is not perfect, no Borough Assembly member consulted Mr. Swarner on any items in the budget between the time she, on behalf of the Board, and the Board went to the Borough Assembly to formally present the budget, and the time that the \$1.5 million budget cut occurred. Furthermore, there had been a total of six previous meetings at which time the Board begged for input on the school budget. The Board utilized everyone that came forward and their material in producing the final product. Mrs. Cannava stated that it was inferred at the Borough Assembly Meeting that the Board is top heavy on administration. However, she added that she has yet to see an industry involving some \$18,000,000 with 5,000 plus end products and a number of employees run by one man. We in education are in a dilemma. Our product is children who reach us after they are partially finished. The home, the child's first school, has certainly been of influence on them. All through school outside forces, such as the family and society, help shape the child as they should. However, what other business takes a partially finished product and has to assume the responsibility for other's work? Then there is the finished product -- men or women educated in our schools who take their place in society and love their fellow man. This surely is a hard thing to measure as far as success is concerned, and through it we do our best.

Mrs. Cannava requested that Mr. Swarner clear up a question raised at the Assembly Meeting. It was stated that the Board spends approximately \$5 million on Administration. She requested he explain what Administration is and what is included in that figure.

Mr. Swarner stated that the figure quoted was \$5.5 million. He stated there is an account called Unallocated in the amount of \$698,895. Central Office Account has \$794,833, Warehouse has \$107,267, and a function code called District-Wide has \$3,913,267. That totals \$5,494,262. He stated that while some of these are Central Office costs, the majority are not. The Unallocated amount would in most instances be assigned to a school program as needed during the year. We appoint teachers from the Unallocated; we have five para-professionals, and five teacher aides which would be difficult to misconstrue as Central Office costs. The District-Wide amount includes such programs as Pupil Transportation, which

BUDGET FISCAL '78 (Continued):

is in excess of \$1.8 million; Driver Education Program, which is included for \$110,000; Artist-In-Schools, \$6,000 to \$7,000; Music Festival Program, Swimming, Correspondence Study, Special Education, Testing, Media Center, Microfilming, Food Service, Community Schools, and Community College Contribution. There are some Central Office personnel costs in the District-Wide programs. There is \$109,223 for Improvement of Instruction and \$36,734 for Pupil Transportation, or a total of \$145,956 that are Central Office costs, and those are included in the District-Wide Program. However, included under the Central Office are some costs not related to the administration of the district. For instance, there has been included \$3,450 for Homebound Instruction. Also, under Staff Services we have \$10,000 for Career Development and \$19,350 for Tuition, which are benefits negotiated by the KPEA for the teaching staff. He stated that we have shown these costs in the budget under the one category as they do relate in a round about way to staff services; it is also possible for us to keep this money in one account. He stated that it could be split up between the schools; however, we do not know exactly which schools they would fall under. If they were not placed there, we would place them under the Unallocated. What has been classified as costs for the Central Office is as follows: Board of Education, Office of Superintendent, Fiscal Services, Internal Services (Purchasing), Staff Services, Operation of Plant, and Warehouse Operations. Some of the costs for Improvement of Instruction and Pupil Transportation, which gives a total of \$1,015,257 (under the proposed budget), amounted to a \$175,092 increase. majority of that increase is the result of an anticipated negotiated salary and fringe benefit increases; addition of one secretary, one bookkeeper, and curriculum specialist; rental of warehouse space for the Seward High equipment, and replacement of a delivery truck and forklift. The rest relates either directly or indirectly back to the Pupil Program.

Mrs. Cannava stated that there was a comment made at the Assembly Meeting about the differences between the audited report and the budget as far as a cancellation of prior encumbrances.

Mr. Swarner stated that goes back to the actual figures for 1975-76. There is approximately \$22,700 of prior years encumbrances which are shown as a revenue item, but which are not shown as an expenditure item in this budget document. However, in an audit report they are shown both as a revenue item and as an expenditure item, the reasons being a change in prior years accounting methods and the new ruling handed down by the new AICPA Audit Guide to which the auditors conform. He added that it is their standard in the industry. In essence, in prior years, we washed these encumbrances, accounts receivable, and accounts payable through the fund balance; however, now they are shown as expenditures and revenues in the current year's budget. This is the reason there is a miscellaneous income of \$66,000 shown in the audit report which are actually audit adjustments. He added that there are certain audit adjustment that for report purposes the adjustments are made, but for actual bookkeeping purposes are ignored.

BUDGET FISCAL '78 (Continued):

Mrs. Cannava inquired if anyone came to the administration during the preparation of the budget to inquire about a change in the budget format.

Mr. Swarner replied negatively. He added it was discussed by the Central Office since that time and it could probably be simplified. He stated, however, that the budget is structured to represent our administrative organization.

Dr. Hall stated that the budget format is directed by the Department of Education. In 1975 they directed a complete revision of all budget formats and all audit formats in the State of Alaska for public schools which supercedes any previous statutes or rules and regulations published by any other department of any other title. Mr. Swarner stated the U. S. Office of Education revised Handbook II and the State of Alaska's new accounting manual does conform to the U. S. Office of Education New Chart of Accounts. It is a drastic departure from the format used in prior years. He added that the administration does have difficulty in assimilating information on the data processing system. He stated that it can be sorted by using two systems, one by school on which the budget is drafted, the other method by function. Anything else could not be produced off the computer and would have to be assimilated by hand which would take more time.

Mr. Ward stated there was less confusion when the two page document showing the revenues and expenditures was used, and by law that is all the Board is required to submit.

Mr. Hobart stated that the number of accounts that are used now are considerably greater than what was used in the past.

Mr. Swarner stated that is correct; it used to be approximately 300-400 accounts and now there are 1700 accounts.

Dr. Gallaher presented an array of budget reductions or deletions in three increments of \$500,000 each. Included in the first increment were the deletion of new programs which included Media Center, Driver Education, Hockey, Micro-Filming, Curriculum Specialist, Activities Bus, five Para-Professionals, and Warehouse and Classroom Rentals, plus the deletion of \$104,527 in expanded Swim Programs. The deletion of the expanded Swim Program would close the pools for the summer, discontinue the elementary swim program, and abandon the evening and weekend swim schedules. The second \$500,000 increment would delete local effort for Community Schools of \$113,000, decrease in Community College funding by \$27,848, Equipment - \$200,000, two Aides - \$24,699, and Extra-Curricular of \$150,000. The \$150,000 Extra-Curricular represents approximately one-half of the Board budgeted funds for Kindergarten thru 12th grade. He further noted that building administrators are preparing an Extra-Curricular Program to be funded at 50% of the money budgeted for each building for Travel Expenses and Coaching of Sponsors. The Third \$500,000 increment would delete one Vice-Principal - \$30,000, two Custodians - \$25,000, twelve Teachers -\$200,000, one Nurse - \$12,300, two Secretaries - \$30,000, School

BUDGET FISCAL '78 (Continued):

Bus - \$21,500, Community College (present allotment) \$43,400, Swim Program (present) - \$120,000, and Equipment - \$31,000.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he hoped before the Board meeting ended or discussion concluded, that he might have assurance from the Board of Education that the administration should proceed with organizing and staffing the schools at least to the extent they have been staffed this year.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she would like to go a step further in Mr. Swarner's letter to the Board, down to Pupil Transportation and Public Law 874. She inquired as to what has been received so far in comparison to what has been budgeted by Public Law 874.

Mr. Swarner stated that for the current year the district has received approximately \$105,000 total and we budgeted \$185,000.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if since 1970-71 the district has fairly consistently received approximately \$100,000 more per year than was budgeted.

Mr. Swarner replied negatively. He added that he reviewed the audit report for 1974-75 and at that time the district received \$20,000 more; however, that year we budgeted \$185,000.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she believed the district is running approximately \$100,000 over what we budgeted. She stated the last letter from the State School Board Association indicated that Public Law 874 would receive full funding for this year then it would be reduced in the following three years and supplanted with another program.

Mr. Swarner stated that revenue is a real variable and the district does not really know what will be received until June. If it is received in June then it has been the Board's policy in the past, if there are excess funds they are appropriated the next year.

Dr. Gallaher stated that we cannot plan a program on that money with the uncertainty of obtaining it. He added that President Carter is definitely recommending that Public Law 874 be phased out.

Mrs. Cannava stated that if Public Law 874 is phased out the district would be hit with two years at a time.

Mrs. Fischer stated that as she understands it, it is being phased out gradually and the district will be given another program.

BUDGET FISCAL '78 (Continued):

Mr. Swarner stated that it has been phased down and in the past few years though the amount has gone up, the district's entitlement has gone up also. Public Law 874 is based upon a regional cost per pupil and that rate has gone up considerably; however, federal funding depends upon the classification of the people. It is all based upon the appropriation that is made by Congress. They have a certain amount of dollars and they attach the funding levels according to the dollars available.

Mrs. Fischer added that we have found approximately \$34,000 extra in the transportation account.

Mr. Swarner stated that the Pupil Transportation Revenue should be increased by \$30,700. On the justification the regular routes under contracted services 610-440 should be reduced by \$40,000 and that figure should be \$1,633,000.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she would rather look at this in a positive manner. She added that she would hate to cut things like extra-curricular activities which cannot be started midway through the year. If cuts need to be made, she suggested they cut them in equipment or accounts where the money can be put back if need be. She stated to those in the audience who wonder how it is possible for her to sit on the Board with her husband on the Borough Assembly, it is because she can understand the other point of view while still supporting the programs the Board is promoting.

Mrs. Morris suggested making cuts in Unallocated Teachers or Personnel rather than cut the new program of Drivers Education and completely close down the pools for the summer.

Mrs. Owens stated that she would hate to see the Swim Program or Extra-Curricular Activities cut as they are very important to the students.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she understands the Borough has gone ahead with the microfilming and the cost to the District will be for supplies. She stated that she feels the Board should cut themselves first by cutting Board travel by 50%, and Central Office travel outside the district 50%.

Dr. Gallaher agreed, stating that travel outside the state should be scrutinized. However, the meetings attended are most informative.

Mr. Tommy Corr stated that if the Board cuts Extra-Curricular Activities then his son would just as soon they cut 10th grade.

A student in the audience stated that if the Board is going to cut the Extra-Curricular Activities Program by 50% she would rather they cut the entire program than cripple it.

Mrs. Long stated that she offers her sympathy to the Board of Education and then inquired if they could give any assurance they would not cut the Kindergarten Program.

BUDGET FISCAL '78 (Continued):

Mr. Hobart stated that he could not assure her of anything at this point. He added the students that are involved in extracurricular activities now are going to miss that far greater than those students who will be attending Kindergarten as they have never been there.

Mr. Hobart stated that he was not too enthused about the Driver Education Program until he talked with Mr. Coxe and saw an assimilator. He added that it would be a financial benefit to taxpayers and there would be less chance of accidents.

A woman from the audience stated that although Driver Education may reap a benefit for taxpayers and drivers will be much safer, a person should be able to know what it feels like to win and lose and knowing how to compete is more important than being able to drive, as you compete every day of your life in some way or other.

A teacher in the audience stated that if the Board cuts the Media Center, she personally as a teacher is going to be affected directly, and if Extra-Curricular Activities are cut she is going to be affected indirectly. However, her own personal choice is that she would rather do as a teacher without the Media Center and without some of the new equipment than without having a fully funded Extra-Curricular Activities Program. She added that it is very important — especially in the life styles up here.

Mrs. Shaw stated that she feels for the Board, as it was not their choice. However, there are members of the Borough Assembly who nicely slit each of the Board members' throats and dumped it in their laps to cut things out of the budget. She stated that the Board did not want to cut anything, and that the Assembly members were not listening to their constituents and refused to listen to them. She added the Borough Assembly are the people the public and students should address.

A woman inquired if there was any possible way the Assembly could put the money back into the school budget now that they have cut it.

Mr. Hobart stated that they could if they wished to; however, now we have to balance the budget and start the school year with a budge we feel is balanced.

Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of two Unpaid Leaves of Absence. One for Mrs. Sheryl McMichael, Susan B. English School, Seldovia, for the 1977-78 school year, contingent upon Mr. Jon McMichael receiving funds from the State Department of Education for his Sabbatical Leave; and an Unpaid Leave of Absence for Mr. Victor Andre-Jeff, teacher, Homer Jr/Sr High School, for the 1977-78 school year.

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve Unpaid Leaves of Absence for the 1977-78 school year for Mrs. Sheryl McMichael, subject to funding for Jon McMichael's Sabbatical Leave; and for Victor Andre-Jeff, teacher, Homer Jr/Sr High School. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

UNPAID LEAVES OF ABSENCE:

SALARIES OF COORDINATORS & SUPERVISORS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of salaries for Central Office Supervisors and Coordinators for fiscal '78. He stated all are 210-day employees except Mr. Skinner who is a 12-month employee. He added the increase is approximately 7%. Supervisors/Coordinators and salaries are as follows:

Stan Long, Correspondence Study	\$30,500
Kris Rogers, Special Services Supervisor	\$30,286
Frank Hicks, Psychologist	\$27,526
John Cook, Title I Coordinator	\$26,750
Connie Miller, Title IV-A Coordinator	\$10,700 (½ Time)
Charles Craig, Community Schools Coordinator	\$31,550
Beth Taeschner, Home Counselor Coordinator	\$27,526
Richard Skinner, Supv., Purchasing & Warehouse	\$29,000

Mrs. Cannava moved to approve tentative salaries for the Central Office Supervisors and Coordinators as recommended for the 1977-78 school year. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if the Title Coordinators were funded through categorical funding.

Dr. Gallaher replied in the affirmative. He further stated that if the Community Schools Program is cut \$113,000 the Community Schools Director salaries would have to come from categorical funds.

Mr. Glick inquired as to the criteria used to establish the salary increases for this personnel.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the figures used in negotiating with the principals are reflected in these salaries. However, one difference, if the salary was less than the base for a principal of \$26,215, then 7% was applied to his/her salary.

VOTE: YES - Cannava, Brower, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

HOUSING OF SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY STUDENTS:

Dr. Gallaher presented projected enrollment data for 1977-78 for the Soldotna Elementaary School which showed a total enrollment of 631 pupils and a requirement of 24 teachers. Retaining all students in the building would utilize all available classrooms including the teacher lounge and music room, thus leaving no room for expansion if enrollment exceeds projection. He also presented data showing the enrollment of Soldotna Elementary School if 35 students on Ciechanski and Kalifonsky, from Ciechanski to the Union Oil Gas Pad, were transferred to Kenai schools. Needed classrooms with the transfer of 35 students would be 23, thus allowing one room for music, teacher lounge, or for expansion if enrollment demanded. He recommended transferring the 35 students to Kenai schools and renting of space for two Kindergarten 📟 teachers. He stated that in the meeting held with Soldotna parents he felt there was a great amount of sentiment for keeping the Kindergarten children in Soldotna, even if it meant more children in each classroom.

HOUSING OF SOLDOTNA
ELEMENTARY STUDENTS
(Continued):

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the administration had considered parents transporting their children to the Soldotna school anyway as they do have that option.

Dr. Hall stated that the administration has authority to deny those students the right to attend the Soldotna school if the school is already overcrowded and those students live closer to Kenai.

Mrs. Cannava inquired if the turn around is on Ciechanski if someone living on that road would have a choice of attending either the Soldotna or Kenai schools.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that the turn around point may be short of Ciechanski Road.

Mrs. Owens moved to transfer 35 students on Ciechanski and Kalifonsky, from Ciechanski to the Union Oil Gas Pad, to the Kenai schools and postpone renting of additional space for two Kindergarten teachers until the start of school in September.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Glick, Morris, Owens NO - Fischer, Hobart

Motion passed.

Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of one day draw from the Sick Leave Bank for Mrs. Ann Fraser, teacher, Sears Elementary School; and fivedays draw from the Sick Leave Bank for Mr. Patrick Dixon, teacher, Kenai Jr. High School, subject to concurrence by KPEA.

Mrs. Morris moved to approve one day draw from the Sick Leave Bank for Mrs. Ann Fraser, and five days draw from the Sick Leave Bank for Mr. Patrick Dixon, subject to concurrence by KPEA. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher recommended employment of Mr. John Jonas as a high school teacher for the high school program to be initiated in Port Graham this year. He stated that the instructional program at Port Graham will consist of three full-time equivalent teachers. However, it will be made up of two full-time and two half-time teachers. He added that there is a distinct advantage in this arrangement as the two half-time teachers are the wives of the two full-time teachers. In addition, it will provide for the school K-10, the expertise of four individuals rather than three.

Mr. Glick moved to approve a contract for Mr. John Jonas as teacher at the Port Graham School for the 1977-78 school year. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION

DRAW FROM SICK LEAVE BANK:

ACTION

STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

**RESIGNATIONS:** 

ACTION

Dr. Gallaher recommended accepting the resignations of Mrs. Marie Aamodt, Soldotna Elementary School; and Mrs. Cathleen Brothen, Special Services, Kenai Jr. High School, effective May 27, 1977.

Mrs. Owens moved to accept the resignations of Mrs. Marie Aamodt, 6th grade teacher, Soldotna Elementary School; and Mrs. Cathleen Brothen, Special Services, Kenai Jr. High School, effective May 27, 1977. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Cannava stated that Mrs. Aamodt did an excellent job as 6th grade teacher and would like to commend her for her work.

Mr. Swarner stated that in the Board's agenda packet there is a memo concerning the unallocated funds that the district has under the Pupil Activity Account. Prior to this year the Board's appropriation for State tournaments has been confined to basketball. However, last fall we inadvertantly agreed to fund the Cross Country Meet which was held in Sitka. We have had other requests for funding since that time which have been denied. He added that there are funds available for these requests. However, if we fund the full amounts there are not enough funds in the Unallocated account. We do have funds in the budget that could be transferred to this account in order to make the allowances.

Dr. Gallaher stated that presently two schools, Kenai Central High School and Homer Jr/Sr High School, are operating in the red. He recommended the schools that have not submitted statements for students in State meets submit them; then the administration will pro-rate the money among the various schools giving them sufficient money to bring each out of the red, rather than transferring or adding any money to that fund.

Mrs. Fischer moved to approve the transferring of funds to fully fund participation in State tournaments. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Mr. Glick inquired if the total appropriation was \$6,386 and \$3,339.55 had been spent.

Mr. Swarner stated that is correct; #2 has been spent, #3 in the amount of \$2,283 has been denied, and #5 we are still not sure of the amount.

Mr. Glick stated that in #3 if we approve that amount then there is still a balance of \$763.65. If we approve the requests under #5, being an estimated \$2,000, we would be short about \$1,400.

Mr. Hobart requested that Dr. Gallaher expound on the pro-rating of funds.

FUNDING OF STATE TOURNAMENTS:

FUNDING OF STATE
TOURNAMENTS (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Board has appropriated so much money for State tournaments and he does not want to see the Board start transferring money into funds of this type. He suggested obtaining the additional amounts under #5 and then with \$3,339.35 plus \$2,283, with whatever is received under #5 according to the schools, and pro-rate the \$6,386 according to the amount each spent, which would bring the two high schools out of the red.

Mrs. Fischer inquired where the money not received would be coming from.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the administration has not received the schools statements. Kenai Central High has not informed us as to the cost of its track meet. Once we receive the outstanding statements, the sum of #2, #3, and #5 will give us the total amount. We then pro-rate the \$6,386 on the basis of what is spent by each school.

Mr. Glick inquired as to where the balance comes from between what they spent and what we pro-rate.

Dr. Gallaher stated that they would take it out of funds already received.

Mrs. Fischer stated Ninilchik would lose money already received by the pro-ration.

Dr. Gallaher stated that if, at the end of the year we have money in the Board's account, it reverts back to the Board of Education anyway. The money the Board of Education appropriates for extracurricular activities, if any balance on June 30, 1977, does not carry on the next year for that school.

VOTE: YES - Cannava, Fischer
NO - Glick, Brower, Owens, Morris, Hobart

Motion failed.

Mr. Glick moved to pro-rate the funding for State tournaments as recommended by Dr. Gallaher. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Owens, Morris, Fischer, Brower, Glick, Cannava, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher recommended approval of the Peninsula Oilers using the Kenai Elementary School facilities for guests.

Mr. Ward recommended adding a stipulation that this agreement is contingent upon the behavior of the users of the facility and can be cancelled if conditions warrant, and that the rental be for a trial period of one year.

PENINSULA OILERS:

PENINSULA OILERS (Continued): ACTION Mr. Glick moved that the Board approve the renting of facilities at Kenai Elementary School as requested by the Peninsula Oilers with the stipulation that this would be contingent upon the behavior of the users and cancelled if conditions warrant. The rental is for a trial period of one year. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Mr. Glick requested that Mr. Ward inquire about the yellow folding chairs that were used by the Oilers last year.

Mr. Ward stated that he would check into it.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Owens, Morris NO - Hobart

Motion passed.

ELEMENTARY ACTIVITIES POLICY - RULES & REGS:

Mrs. Fischer stated that in the minutes from the last meeting in Seward, the Superintendent stated that an evaluation instrument would be presented to parents, teachers and administrators regarding the Elementary Activity Policy Rules and Regulations, and would be back by May 20th. She inquired if this had been done and how the parents had been selected.

Dr. Hall stated that he did not know how they were selected as it was left up to the local administrators. He stated that the questionnaire went to the local administrators with instructions to complete the questionnaire, discuss it with their Advisory or Steering Committee and with their staff, then report back accordingly. He added that we have received just about all of those and the results will be prepared for the next Board meeting.

Mrs. Dragseth stated that as a parent and Advisory Committee member, it is the first she has heard about it.

BAND TRIP TO HAWAII:

Mrs. Owens stated she had the privilege of going with the music group to Hawaii, and added she was very proud of the students' behavior.

SEWARD GRADUATION:

Mr. Hobart stated that he has been hearing on the radio the horrible students the school system is turning out. He added that he wishes those people could have attended the Seward graduation and heard the Valedictorian, a young gentleman, give his speech. He added that it was one of the best speeches he ever heard a student make.

CODE OF ETHICS FOR COACHES:

Mr. Hobart recommended devising a Code of Ethics for Coaches' behavior at tournaments, meets, games, etc. He suggested a merit system, whereby after a certain amount of misconduct they would no longer be able to coach that particular activity.

Mr. Ward stated that he mailed to Board members material from the Athletic Association from Ohio which lists objectives its board lays down. This would go hand in hand with the suggestion for a Code of Ethics for coaches.

CODE OF ETHICS FOR COACHES (Continued):

Mr. Hobart stated if the Board concurs he would like to request that the administration start looking into this.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he felt it would be a good item to bring up at the first Principals' Meeting in August. He added that in order to develop something and make it effective, it is necessary to have support and cooperation from the principals.

Mr. Hobart suggested a communication be mailed out to the principals now so they may think about it over the summer.

RELEASE SLIPS FOR STUDENTS:

Mrs. Fischer stated that she believes the Board has a policy that if children are going on an activity away from the school they have to have signed slips from their parents to leave. She added that maybe this should be reiterated to the principals.

HONOR ROLL:

Mr. Tommy Corr stated that he would like to see the names of the students who made the Honor Roll published in the local paper.

Mrs. Catherine Parker stated it is left up to the schools as to whether they want the Honor Roll published.

ADJOURN:

At 11:35 P.M., by general consent of the Board, the School Board Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

. Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannaya, Clerk

The minutes of May 23, 1977, were approved on June 6, 1977, as written.

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# KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

June 6, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President
Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk
Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member
Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member
Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member
Mr. Carl Glick, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services
Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed.
Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Joyce Thompson
Mrs. Ginnie Savoie
Mr. Rodger Schmidt
Mr. Tom Overman
Mr. Stan Friese
Mr. Hugh Smith
Mr. Richard Carignan
Mr. Paul Fischer
Mrs. Jean Douglas

Mr. & Mrs. G. H. Deutschlander

Mr. Tommy Corr

Mr. Patrick O'Connell

Mr. John Davis Mr. Tom Wagoner Mr. Greg Daniels Mrs. Catherine Parker Mrs. Virginia Maesner

Others present not identified.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present
Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present
Mr. Carl Glick Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present
Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The School Board minutes of May 23, 1977, were approved as written.

COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS:

SABBATICAL LEAVE:

Dr. Gallaher stated that he received a copy of a letter directed to Mr. Jon McMichael from Mr. Vern Williams, stating that the legislature for the State of Alaska did not fund the State Sabbatical Leave Program for the FY 78 school year. Since funds are not available, the Department of Education will not be awarding grants this year.

ORDINANCE 77-25:

Dr. Gallaher read Ordinance 77-25 stating that it is an ordinance appropriating funds for fiscal year 1977-78 for schools in the amount of \$7,212,183 for school operations, insurance and audit, debt service and maintenance. This ordinance was adopted by the Assembly on May 17, 1977.

RESOLUTION 77-22:

Dr. Gallaher read from Resolution 77-22 stating that the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Budget for the fiscal year '78 is approved in the amount of \$18,130,744.00. That amount includes the State and Federal Programs, Categorical Aid and Specific Grant Programs and \$600,000 for furniture and equipment for the new Seward High School.

KENAI PENINSULA COMMUNITY COLLEGE: Dr. Gallaher read a communication from Dr. John Wilsey, Director of the Kenai Peninsula Community College. Dr. Wilsey inquired if the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District would be interested in investigating the feasibility of a Community Center to be located on the campus of the Kenai Peninsula Community College. He stated that the College is a recognized center of culture for the Peninsula and they have 179 acres of land with several excellent sites for a Community Center which could be combined with an auditorium and convention center.

KPEA:

Dr. Gallaher stated that the KPEA Grievance has gone to arbitration and it will be argued before Mr. Nesbitt at 9:30 A.M., Thursday, June 9.

MR. JIM MARTIN:

Dr. Gallaher stated that he is sure the Board is aware of the sudden demise of Mr. Jim Martin due to a heart attack early Saturday morning. He stated funeral arrangements have been set for Tuesday, June 7, 3:00 P.M., at the Elks Lodge in Seward.

BOND ISSUE:

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Central Office had a meeting with Mayor Gilman today as a result of a communication sent to him two or three weeks ago. He stated that questions were raised with the Mayor on a bond issue of different amounts that would affect the tax rate. As a result of legislation in Juneau that has passed and is expected to be approved by the governor, a bond issue of \$26 - 27 million could be floated without an increase in the present tax rate. Dr. Gallaher stated that any cash that the Borough has spent for school construction would be picked up also.

Mr. Hobart inquired if this was two years prior to this July.

BOND ISSUE (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher stated that we are always two years behind. In other words, this July they are picking up the interest and principal payment of two years ago. Presently it is being done on the basis of 50%. However, when we get to July 1978, 100% will be picked up of principal and interest and any cash payments that were used for construction.

TYONEK SLIDES & TAPES:

Dr. Hall stated that the Senior Class of Bob Bartlett School took a Senior trip, the first one in the history of Tyonek, and went to Seattle. They visited the various Kiwanis Clubs and other organizations. At their graduation ceremony they presented a cassette tape and slide presentation on Tyonek. Since he attended that graduation and felt the presentation was so good he requested that he be able to present it to the Board of Education and the public. The slides depicted not only the way many people in Tyonek make a living, but the beautiful sunsets, the seasons, and recreational events that take place.

HOUSE PRODUCTION - SELDOVIA:

Mr. Tom Overman stated that he believes the Board of Education is aware that the shop class at Susan B. English undertook a project to construct a house. He added that Mr. Hugh Smith finally convinced him to agree to such a project. He added that the house construction involved almost the entire 11th and 12th grade students, and Business Education and Home Economics classes for the interior decorating and design.

Mr. Smith stated that the main materials for the project were not scheduled to arrive on site until October 1st, thereby giving them time to complete the ground work. He stated that the students worked one full day a week on the project. He added that the class started with seventeen students, of which four were girls. The girls did the same amount of work or more than the boys, including roofing. He added that the best roofers were the girls. He stated that as the project progressed the students assumed more responsibility for it. The house is basically finished. However, to date there is no buyer. The appraisal is \$56,000 and the cost of the materials, etc., came to approximately \$35,000. He added that it was an extremely successful project.

Mr. Ward inquired if they planned to have the class again next year.

Mr. Smith stated that he would like to; however, he would prefer the house be sold before the project began so the financing would be more available.

Dr. Gallaher inquired if he anticipated any difficulty in selling the house.

Mr. Smith stated no. However, there is still one full week's work left to do on the house and that will be contracted out.

ELEMENTARY ACTIVITIES POLICY & RULES & REGS:

Dr. Hall stated that the committee appointed by the Board of Education has completed the evaluation on the Elementary Activities Policy and Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Friese stated that the committee of five was appointed by the Board a little over a year ago to develop a policy and make recommendations to the administration and Board on competitive activities for the elementary grades. He stated that the committee developed a policy that provided for no competition for the primary grades and limited competition for grades 4, 5, and 6. The committee was originally established to develop a policy and secondly to evaluate the policy. A questionnaire was developed that asked four questions. The questionnaire was sent to all administrators, districtwide, who had any responsibility for elementary grades. Included were instructions to discuss it with members of the faculty and advisory committee and/or PTA or parents. The four questions were: (1) If they agreed with the Policy and Rules and Regulations adopted by the Board; (2) If they felt that the majority of their teachers favored the policy as adopted; (3) If the parents of the community favored the Policy as adopted by the Board; and (4) If they had any specific suggestions for changing the Policy. Approximately three weeks ago the committee met again and reviewed the responses. The committee felt that in general there was strong support for continuing the policy as it exists. There were no strong recommendations for changes. Therefore, the committee made three recommendations to the Board on the Policy: (1) The "Elementary School Activities" published in 1972 be reviewed and revised to insure it is consistent with current policy and thus become the guidelines for conducting all activities with the present committee revising the handbook; (2) The present committee of five assume the responsibility for closely observing the major competitive activities during 1977-78 and submit a report to the Board at that time; (3) The Policy as adopted by the Board on September 20, 1977, be continued.

Mrs. Brower inquired if there was any particular input regarding Forensic Meets.

Mr. Friese stated that there was considerable discussion of the meets and that is why the committee suggested all of the activities be observed this year. Plans are to send each elementary school a copy of the handbook so they are aware of it as written. He added hat everyone must cooperate in spirit with the Policy because the spirit of the Policy implemented will take care of a lot of complications.

Mrs. Brower stated that as she recalls it the Policy and the Rules and Regulations were worded slightly different for the lower grades — one said "activities", and the other "athletics".

Mr. Friese stated that it was to be "competitive activities".

ELEMENTARY ACTIVITIES POLICY & RULES & REGS (Continued):

Dr. Hall stated that people were reading the Policy and the Rules and Regulations separately, and not together, thereby drawing their own conclusions. He added that he feels it is important that the handbook be rewritten as that gives everyone the basic rules for the activities.

Mrs. Fischer inquired as to how much parental involvement actually occurred in the evaluation.

Mr. Friese stated that he could not answer for all seventeen schools. However, several of them had it placed on their School Advisory Board agenda for discussion with parents.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she was somewhat concerned as she has had a number of comments and complaints that some active parents within the schools who are concerned with this had no input or involvement with it. She added that this does reflect on the Board's responsiveness to parents, and stated that if the Board does go along with the recommendations she would hope that there will be parental input next year if not sooner.

Mr. Friese stated that he believes the concern was a year ago that people felt the Policy would stop all interchool games. However, this year has shown that it did not do that, but rather increased the volume and placed emphasis on broad participation.

Mrs. Fischer stated that some of the parents she has talked with are concerned because activities are put on a personal basis rather than a school basis, and it was felt that it was making the child an "I" person rather than a "spirit of team" person.

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept the recommendations of the Elementary Competitive Sports Activities Committee as put forth: (1) That the "Elementary School Activities Handbook" published in 1972 be reviewed and revised to insure it is consistent with current policy; (2) The committee of five assume the responsibility for closely observing the major competitive activities during 1977-78 and submit a report to the Board at that time; (3) The Policy as adopted by the Board on September 20, 1977, be continued. Mrs. Morris seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Owens, Cannava, Glick, Morris, Hobart NO - Fischer

Motion passed.

CONSTRUCTION & RENOVATION OF BID RESULTS:

Mr. Ward reported that the bids for Tyonek - Home Economic Facility will be received tomorrow. In the Board's information packet are bids that were opened last week for Sterling, Tustumena, Anchor Point, Port Graham, and English Bay. The bids came in about \$84,541 more than the amount appropriated; however, they did come close to the architect's estimate. He added at this point he is not sure what procedure the Borough will take or the recommendations that Mr. Hakert will have to the Assembly in funding these projects. The low bidder for Port Graham and English Bay plans to fly there this week and hopes to start on the projects as soon as possible.

CONSTRUCTION & RENOVATION

The Public Works Department and Mr. Ward had a meeting in Tyonek OF BID RESULTS (Continued): this morning, met with village members, and looked at the area in which they would like the district to move the trailers. requested that the two trailers be moved to the other side of the village where a trailer area can be developed for additional trailers.

> Mr. Hakert suggested that instead of purchasing more trailers for Tyonek the Borough build a four-plex to house teachers, with the idea that they would not only be better facilities in the long run but superior as far as the maintenance costs. Mr. Hakert will be recommending that the four-plex be placed west of the existing school, one house south of the Home Economics facility, where the present sewer system is located. In moving the trailers, power lines and water lines will have to be extended and a sewer system installed.

The House Construction Advisory Committee for Kenai Central High School met last week and selected Lot 10, Block 1, for the House Construction Project and are hoping to get the foundation and footings in this summer so that the project can start as soon as school begins in Spetember. He stated that the reason the pool was drained at Kenai Central was so it could be painted and the contractor could return and complete the job. There is a bulge of about three feet at the bottom of the pool and ground water is in that area. Evidently the pumps were fouled up, however, that has been remedied.

Mr. Hobart inquired if it was necessary for the Board to take action on the bids.

Mr. Ward replied negatively.

Mr. Tom Murphy stated that the Kenai Peninsula Education Association has three suggestions for the Board's consideration in the budget cut. First, KPEA believes the School Board could best serve the interests of its constituents by delaying any decisions on the school budget until after July 1, 1977. By that time more complete information on actual revenues should be available. Secondly, it is the studied opinion of the KPEA that if the Board keeps all currently funded programs, services, administrative costs, etc., at status quo, these costs should be coverable with the currently projected state revenue increase of approximately 8.07% as the anticipated rate of inflation is about 7.2%. If the cost of funding the 1976-77 programs in 1977-78 were to exceed the 7.2% cost of living increase, KPEA suggested that cuts be made in budget categories which will not have a direct effect on the students. Mr. Murphy went on to suggest which items KPEA felt the Board should cut.

Dr. Gallaher stated that he does not agree with delaying a decision on the budget until July 1. He added projections have been made based on the foundation monies and funding available. He stated that the Board will not know any more on available revenue then than they know today.

KPEA:

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:** 

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfers #76-151, #76-163, #76-165, #76-166, #76-167, #76-168, #76-169, #76-170, #76-171, #76-172, and #76-173.

#76-151, North Kenai Elementary School: From Account #01-039-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-039-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$1,350.00.

#76-163, Community Schools Program:
From Account #01-099-700-000-330, Classified Salaries, to
Account #01-099-700-000-510, Equipment-New, \$7,000.00; and
from Account #01-099-700-000-469, Other Supplies, to
Account #01-099-700-000-530, Other Expenses, \$300.00.

#76-165, Soldotna Junior High School:
From Account #01-012-100-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-012-100-000-426, Travel, \$106.00; and from Account #01-012-100-000-470, Instructional Media, to Account #01-012-330-000-510, Equipment-New, \$225.00.

#76-166, Central Office:
From Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to
Account #01-099-756-000-541, Transfer of Funds Account, \$29,593;
from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to
Account #69-799-160-065-530, Other Expenses, \$21,000;
from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to
Account #69-799-400-065-426, Travel, \$2,000;
from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to
Account #69-799-500-065-426, Travel, \$6,593; and
from Account #01-096-100-000-320, Certificated Salaries, to
Account #69-915-250-000-000, Revenue Account, \$29,593.

#76-167, Moose Pass Elementary: From Account #01-037-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to Account #01-037-100-000-470, Instructional Media, \$550.00.

#76-168, Soldotna Jr. High School:
From Account #01-012-320-000-470, Instructional Media, to
Account #01-012-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$132.00; and
from Account #01-012-515-000-469, Other Supplies, to
Account #01-012-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, \$135.00.

#76-169, Capital Equipment, Refer to Memorandum from Richard Swarner to the Board of Education on May 26, 1977, and/or agenda packet for the June 6, 1977, School Board Meeting.

#76-170, Warehouse: From Account #01-096-100-000-510, Equipment-New, to Account #01-097-535-000-510, Equipment-New, \$2,685.00.

#76-171, Moose Pass Elementary: From Account #01-037-420-000-469, Other Supplies, to Account #01-037-420-000-470, Instructional Media, \$40.00.

BUDGET TRANSFERS (Continued):

#76-172, Cooper Landing School:
From Account #01-032-100-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-032-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$160.00;
from Account #01-032-515-000-530, Other Expenses, to
Account #01-032-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$65.00;
from Account #01-032-605-000-441, Repairs & Maintenance, to
Account #01-032-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$100.00;
from Account #01-032-605-000-453, Janitorial Supplies, to
Account #01-032-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$90.00; and
from Account #01-032-800-000-426, Travel, to
Account #01-032-100-000-510, Equipment-New, \$125.00.

#76-173, Bob Bartlett School:
From Account #01-001-330-000-469, Other Supplies, to
Account #01-001-420-000-469, Other Supplies, \$78.00;
from Account #01-001-200-000-451, Teaching Supplies, to
Account #01-001-200-000-470, Instructional Media, \$175.00; and
from Account #01-001-160-901-470, Instructional Media, to
Account #01-001-160-901-451, Teaching Supplies, \$54.00.

Mrs. Cannava moved to accept Budget Transfers #76-151, #76-163, #76-165, #76-166, #76-167, #76-168, #76-169, #76-170, #76-171, #76-172, and #76-173 as recommended by Mr. Swarner. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Hall stated that the Board has before them three new course offerings requested for Kenai Jr. High, Basic Human Physiology and First Aid, World of Water, and Consumer Education. In addition, there is a request for a new course offering for Soldotna Junior High School, American Studies, which replaces the elective course of Alaska History/World Geography; and a course offering request for Ninilchik High School for publication of the annual entitled Annual Production. Dr. Hall recommended approval of the courses by the Board of Education.

Mrs. Owens stated that looking in the curriculum book there are 34 elective courses at Kenai Jr. High and feels that some of the elective courses have a lot of merit. However, she disagreed with the Consumer Education course and stated that the Physiology course would be too shallow a study.

Mr. Schmidt stated that there are courses dropped when these are approved. He added that the <u>Consumer Education</u> course would include such topics as Personal Checking Accounts, Consumer Rights and Responsibilities, Budgeting, Credit, Financing, etc., to give the students some working idea of what they will be confronted with. He added that the courses are to generate interest and are not intended to go into depth.

Mrs. Owens inquired as to which courses would be dropped.

Mr. Schmidt stated that Movie Making would be one.

ACTION

NEW COURSE OFFERINGS:

NEW COURSE OFFERINGS (Continued):

Dr. Hall stated that for the next few years concentration will be at the secondary level to develop scope and sequence for grades 7-12, so that basic introductory courses at the junior high will fit into the advanced curriculum at the high school. That will be one of the main emphasis in the total secondary program.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if there was a course presently offered at the high school on Consumer Education.

Mr. Deutschlander stated that it is not a facsimile; however, they do offer Consumer Math and Financial Management.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the courses were geared to a certain level of students.

Mr. Schmidt stated that it would be taught to the ninth grade only.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if there was a reason for changing the course offerings for Soldotna Jr. High School, American Studies, which replaces Alaska History/World Geography.

Dr. Hall stated that basically they are combining several courses and placing it under one title, American Studies.

Mrs. Morris moved to approve the new course offerings for Kenai Jr. High School, Basic Human Physiology and First Aid, World of Water, and Consumer Education; Soldotna Jr. High School, American Studies; and for Ninilchik High School, Annual Production, as outlined. Mrs. Brower seconded.

VOTE: YES - Fischer, Glick, Brower, Cannava, Morris, Hobart NO - Owens

Motion passed.

SPECIAL SERVICES
SECONDARY CURRICULUM:

Dr. Hall stated that basically the Special Services Secondary Curriculum is the same format as in the past. However, there have been some minor changes, but it does contain the same scope and sequence. Due to the minor changes it is necessary to obtain Board approval. He recommended that the Board approve the Special Services Secondary Curriculum.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved to accept the updated Special Services Secondary Curriculum as recommended. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

FISCAL '78 BUDGET REDUCTIONS:

Dr. Gallaher stated that the administraton has been aware of a rather severe budget cut since about April 19. At the last Board Meeting it was recommended that the final action on the budget adjustments be set at this meeting and hopefully the Board will determine the \$987,103 adjustments that must be made in this budget as it is imperative and necessary that we know precisely the budget that we will have to work with for the FY 77-78 school year.

FISCAL '78 BUDGET REDUCTIONS (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher stated that with a budget cut of this magnitude not everyone is going to be pleased with the deletions and/or reductions of items. He stated that there are also negotiations well underway. He added that the cuts recommended are the results of discussion from the last Board meeting, and in all sincerity he believes the cuts will do the least harm or violence to the total educational regular school year program for boys and girls in this school district K-12. He stated that the administration will attempt sincerely and honestly to operate as fine a school system for FY 78 as possible within the limitations and controls placed upon the Board and administration with no malice or ill will, and accept the fact that the budget has to be reduced. He added that he understands the concerns of the KPEA. However, he believes the administration supports the fact that we need to know now what the budget for fiscal 78 is going to be. He stated that he will present to the Board of Education reductions in eighteen areas which were included in the original budget. Some have been eliminated totally and some simply reduced. Dr. Gallaher recommended the following cuts in the budget for a total adjustment of \$987,103 to bring the expenditures in line with anticipated revenue.

Media Center	\$100,000	(\$70,000 increase + \$30,000 current)
Driver Education	110,000	
Hockey	15,000	
Microfilming	50,000	
Curriculum Specialist	30,000	
Activity Bus	40,000	
5 Para-Professional	54,455	
Warehouse Rental	25,000	
Swim Program	104,527	(eliminates the elementary &
		jr. high programs, summer,
		evening & weekend programs)
Community Schools	66,589	
Community College	27,848	(increase)
Equipment	200,000	
2 Aides	24,699	
2 Custodians	25,000	
1 Nurse	12,300	
3 Teachers	65,685	
Travel	6,000	
Extra-Curricular	30,000	(10%)
	\$987,103	

Mrs. Owens inquired if the 10% reduction in the extra-curricular activities would be reduced equally.

Dr. Gallaher stated that it will be left up to the building administrator.

Mrs. Fischer stated that it seems that P.L. 874 is an undetermined figure at this time. If it comes in higher as in the past, how would those funds be disbursed and what criteria would the Board give if these cuts were made.

FISCAL '78 BUDGET REDUCTIONS (Continued):

Dr. Gallaher stated that if those funds come in they would be reflected in June 30 balance and we would not be able to spend them because they would be over and above the expenditures approved by the Borough Assembly.

Mrs. Fischer stated then the amount set by the Assembly is the limit that the Board can spend, and if P.L. 874 money comes in we cannot spend those dollars.

Dr. Gallaher stated that is right.

Mrs. Fischer stated that she noticed the travel for both the Board and Central Office was only cut \$6,000. She added that seemed meager in comparison to the other cuts.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Board of Education will have to determine that. He added that a district of this size and a state of this size, with the way things are scattered, travel is a very important item in the operation of the school system.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the Board should take the recommendation of KPEA and wait until July 1, what ramifications would this involve as far as programs for next year go.

Dr. Gallaher stated that it makes a great deal of difference in planning.

Mrs. Brower inquired if any extra money is available during the year if it can be reinstated in some of the programs that have been reduced or deleted.

Mr. Hobart stated that it would be the Board's discretion to determine how additional funds would be utilized.

Dr. Gallaher stated that the Board of Education cannot go over the approved budget figure unless it is again presented to the Borough Assembly.

Mr. John Davis inquired if there could be audience input if it was directly involved with the school budget.

Mr. Hobart stated that the public may speak but not exceeding three minutes per speaker.

Mrs. Jean Douglas stated that as a taxpayer, parent, and Borough Assembly member, she was very discouraged with the School District Budget as presented to the Borough Assembly. She stated that she does not think it fair to the public, the School Board, or the Borough Assembly to present a budget with a justification sheet justifying a budget increase that doesn't reflect the budget in the manner in which it was stated in the justification sheet included in the budget. A justification sheet should reflect the proper increases or decreases so that when you cut a budget, you know what you are cutting. The justification sheet in the 1977-78 budget is not an accurate accounting of the budget, therefore, making it a

FISCAL '78 BUDGET REDUCTIONS (Continued):

guessing game of where the money is in the budget and where and how the money will be spent. She stated that to her knowledge there is nothing illegal in presenting a justification for a budget increase that doesn't truly respect the increases as they are found in the budget. However, she felt it morally wrong to mislead the public as to where their tax dollars will be spent. Her suggestions in cutting the school budget were: Community Schools - \$113,157, Unallocated Funds - \$678,895, Media Center - \$100,000, Community College - \$10,647, Insurance - \$12,000, Artists-In-Schools - \$6,000, Microfilm - \$50,000, and Curriculum Specialist - \$30,000.

ACTION

Mrs. Cannava moved to adopt the recommended reductions and/or deletions as outlined by Dr. Gallaher for the Fiscal '78 School Budget. Mrs. Owens seconded.

VOTE: YES - Morris, Brower, Glick, Owens, Cannava, Hobart NO - Fischer

STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

Dr. Gallaher recommended contracts for Sharon Hall, ½-time, Kindergarten, Bob Bartlett School; Kelly MaCaulay and Patricia Wise, from ½-time to full-time, 4th & 5th grades respectively, East Homer Elementary School; and Lou Anna Cline, ½-time, Music, East Homer Elementary School.

ACTION

Mrs. Owens moved to approve the staff appointments as recommended by Dr. Gallaher. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**RESIGNATIONS:** 

Dr. Gallaher recommended the Board accept the resignations of Michelle Gollhofer, Math, Kenai Central High School; Elaine Larson, Music, Kenai Elementary & Tustumena Elementary schools; Carolyn Peacock, 1st grade, North Kenai Elementary School; and a retirement notice from D. Naomi Anderson, grade 5, Soldotna Elementary School.

ACTION

Mrs. Morris moved to accept the resignations of Michelle Gollhofer, Math, Kenai Central High School; Elaine Larson, Music, Kenai Elementary & Tustumena Elementary schools; Carolyn Peacock, 1st grade, North Kenai Elementary School; and a retirement notice from D. Naomi Anderson, grade 5, Soldotna Elementary School. Mrs. Owens seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

CONTINUED AFFILIATION
IN THE SOUTH CENTRAL
REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTER:

Mr. Glick stated that once a year each school district involved in the South Central Regional Resource Center must reaffirm to continue or discontinue affiliation or association with the SCRRC.

Dr. Hall stated that an overall organizational plan is in effect for the State of Alaska Department of Education. The approach is that the Regional Resource Centers will be providing all of the instructional services to districts with the department basically handling the fiscal matters of school districts. It is important that the Board be represented in the Kenai School District in order to maintain those activities and help structure the instructional Services to districts in the region.

REGIONAL RESOURCE CENTERS (Continued):

Mr. Glick stated presently there are five out of six regional resources operating throughout the State and there are approximately fifty school districts out of seventy that have joined. There has been a state-wide advisory committee formed, consisting of one person from each of the Advisory Regional Resource Center Boards and they are going to meet this weekend in Juneau. He stated that he attended a three-day meeting as a member of the Advisory Board and goals for a five-year plan were set up. He added that they talked to the governor and Marshall Lind about the funding and what is expected to happen over the next five-year period. It appears that the Department of Education is willing to turn over some of its services to the Regional Resource Centers with the thinking that the services coming from the region can be better administered than they can coming out of Juneau.

ACTION

Mrs. Brower moved to support the South Central Regional Resource Center for another year. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ELEMENTARY COMPETITIVE SPORTS ACTIVITIES:

Mr. Hobart recommended that a Board Member serve on the committee for the Elementary Competitive Sports Activities.

Mrs. Fischer volunteered to serve on that committee.

LETTERS OF CONDOLENCES:

Mrs. Cannava requested that the Board, or the Board Secretary on behalf of the Board, write letters of condolences to both the family of Mr. Jim Martin and the family of Ms. Brenda Blythe.

ALASKA SCHOOL BOARD

Mrs. Fischer recommended highly that all Board Members read the item on Local Control of Schools Boards in the Alaska School Board Notes.

INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM:

Dr. Hall stated that he has requested from all schools information relative to the proposed instructional program and hopefully in August that information will be compiled for the Board's perusal.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** 

At 10:00 P.M., Mr. Glick moved that the Board go into executive session to discuss personnel, a subject that may tend to prejudice the reputation or character of a person. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 11:07 P.M., the executive session was adjourned.

RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION:

At 11:10 P.M., Mrs. Morris moved the Board reconvene into regular session. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

At 11:18 P.M., by general consent of the Board, the School Board Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The minutes of June 6, 1977, were approved as written on June 20, 1977.



## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

June 20, 1977

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Jerry Hobart, President Mrs. Sandra Morris, Treasurer Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk Mrs. Sheila Owens, Member Mrs. Sharon Brower, Member Mrs. Joyce Fischer, Member Mr. Carl Glick, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Paul C. Gallaher, District Superintendent

Dr. James F. Hall, Superintendent/Instructional Services Mr. Walter Ward, Superintendent/Operations & Voc. Ed. Mr. Donald Kirkpatrick, Superintendent/Auxiliary Services

Mr. Richard Swarner, Finance Director

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Virginia Maesner Mrs. Collette Yamamoto

Mr. Tony Miller
Mr. Harold Wirum
Mr. Patrick O'Connell
Mrs. Shirley Crateau
Mrs. Joyce Thompson
Mrs. Ginnie Savoie
Mrs. Kathryn Parker
Mr. Kris Rogers
Mr. Paul Fischer

Mrs. Joanne Elson Mr. Skip Skinner Mr. Ed Hackert Mr. Tommy Corr

Mr. Michael Tauriainen

Mr. Justin Maile

Others present not identified.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Hobart called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mr. Hobart invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Sharon Brower Present
Mrs. Carolyn Cannava Present

Mrs. Joyce Fischer Present (late 7:18 P.M.)

Mr. Carl Glick Present
Mrs. Sandra Morris Present
Mrs. Sheila Owens Present
Mr. Jerry Hobart Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The School Board minutes of June 6, 1977, were approved as written.

KCHS/VAN REPORT:

Dr. Gallaher presented the Kenai Central High School End of the Year Van Report as submitted by Mr. Massie. The report showed the three vans traveling a total of 44,168 miles serving class field trips, hockey, swimming, wrestling, girl's basketball, boy's basketball, cross country field and track, band and chorus, clubs, the Kenai Jr. High School with rentals to Ninilchik, Kodiak, and Tyonek. The vans are in good condition and Mr. Massie recommended summer servicing and minimal repairs.

Dr. Gallaher stated he has requested a report from Mr. Maughan, Principal, Homer Jr/Sr High School, on the year's use of the vans at Homer High School and would report that to the Board.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING:

Dr. Gallaher announced that the State Board of Education Meeting will be held in Seward on June 28-29, 1977. Mr. Hobart urged the Board members to attend. Mr. Ward is scheduled for the meeting on June 28th and Mr. Glick is a scheduled speaker on June 29th. Board members desiring to attend should contact central office personnel to arrange transportation.

SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY/ HOMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SCHEMATICS: Mr. Harold Wirum presented three preliminary schematics for consideration in constructing the Soldotna elementary and Homer elementary schools to be built in two phases. Scheme I was developed quite closely to the plan of Sears Elementary School and a design suggested by the school administration. It is designed with classrooms built around the core area consisting of a multipurpose room, IMC and administrative offices.

Scheme II is developed with outside exposure for the administrative offices, IMC and main entrance to the front of the building with the multipurpose room to the back of the building. The ten class-rooms are to the right of the core area separated by a corridor. Scheme II would have an advantage for Phase II part of construction for additional classrooms which could be readily constructed on the side of the IMC areas when it is necessary to add classrooms. Since Mr. Wirum was directed to develop plans for reuse for an elementary school in Homer he felt Scheme II could be better adapted to other sites. Scheme II also fits well into the location adjacent to Soldotna Jr. High School with ample room for parking.

Scheme III was developed from the various features of Scheme II in an "L" shape to blend on a site location as opposed to the rectangular shape of Scheme II.

Mr. Hobart questioned the value of the offset windows in Scheme II and recommended that they be changed to a straight building design to reduce costs. He also questioned the purpose of the roof design. Mr. Wirum stated that the clear story design has proved satisfactory in other building construction and added to the structural design.

Mrs. Cannava inquired as to the location of the bus loading area and its effect on the junior high school.

Mr. Wirum stated the elementary school loading would be completely separate from the junior high school.

SOLDOTNA ELEMENTARY/
HOMER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
SCHEMATICS (Continued):

Mrs. Cannava also asked where the playgrounds were located.

Mr. Wirum responded that they were located at the back of the building.

Mrs. Maesner was asked by Board members for her opinions on the Sears Elementary School design and serviceability and suggestions for future school construction.

Mr. Glick inquired as to the building materials in Scheme II.

Mr. Wirum stated the exterior would be of concrete blocks either stained or painted, the facial material would be natural stained wood; interior materials would be concrete blocks painted; partitions would be framed construction for removal in the future if necessary and wherever desired folding partitions.

The placement of the kindergarten at the end of the corridor was discussed and the administration suggested that the placement would be determined by the staff.

Mr. Hobart suggested the storage, kitchen, garbage area in the multipurpose room be moved to the opposite end of the multipurpose room for easier access to servicing through the front entrance of the school.

Mrs. Fischer inquired if the advisory committees had input into the schematics

Mrs. Savoie responded that the Soldotna Advisory Committee had not had input into the plans as yet.

Mr. Ward stated that due to the time factor neither the Soldotna nor Homer Advisory Committees had input into the plans but the administration would present the revised schematics to each advisory committee for further suggestions.

Mr. Glick said he favored Schematic II with the suggested window changes but would like to see the roof design changed.

Mr. Wirum stated that the roof was designed so there would be no overhang over walkways, eliminating icing problems as much as possible.

Mrs. Cannava moved the Board approve the tentative Schematic Plan II with the storage, kitchen and garbage area moved to the opposite wall of the multipurpose room to eliminate the service problem.

Mrs. Fischer seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

The Board requested Mr. Wirum to return the revised schematics as soon as possible.

BICENTENNIAL BICYCLE REPORT:

SRA ASSESSMENT SURVEY:

Dr. Hall requested that the Bicentennial Bicycle Report, a Career Development Grant awarded to Mr. Steve Norman, be postponed to a later meeting in order to allow him additional time to explain Agenda Item 8b, SRA Assessment Survey. The Board concurred.

Dr. Hall stated that the SRA tests results have been received for the 1976-77 school year and he felt it necessary to explain the results to the Board and community in detail. Along with the tests results he stated it would be necessary to explain what has been done in the area of curriculum development as a result of previous action of the Board. Dr. Hall noted that due to different cultures. transient students, etc., that the KPBSD is not made up of the typical student body found throughout the United States. A recent report to the Department of Education indicated that from an approximate 5,000 student population 20% of those students either transferred or withdrew from school during the school year. breakdown of student ability shows 10% to be classified as academically talented or gifted, 12% special services students, 10% to be slow learners and 68% average students. Dr. Hall explained to the Board the mathematic1 computation of these percentages as represented on a positive skewed shaped curve. As directed by the Board of Education four years ago, the elementary curriculum of the district has been developed to follow a scope and squence of minimal skills to be attained at each grade level, particulary K-6. Students K-6 are expected to achieve at a 95% mastery of these skills with the exception of special services or handicapped students.

The term grade equivalent was explained as meaning "the raw score represented nationally to the particular month of the grade the student is in, keeping in mind the school year is nine months". The SRA assessment test has been used by the school district because of its detailed diagnostic analysis; previously the district used the Iowa Test of Basic Skills. It has been recommended that after a period of testing for five years with a particular testing series, that the series be changed since students and teachers become too familiar with the test.

The 1976-77 tests results indicate that composite scores for grade equivalents are as follows: Grade 2.5, scoring 3.1; grade 3.5, scoring 4.2; grade 4.5, scoring 5.2; grade 5.5, scoring 6.1; grade 6.5, scoring 7.1; grade 7.5, scoring 7.8; grade 8.5, scoring 8.5; grade 9 on National Percentile 45%; grade 10 on National Percentile 50%; grade 11 on National Percentile 51%. Each grade level composite was broken down into subject areas and explained in detail. Spelling scores for the 9th, 10th, and 11th grades show a lower percentage in achievement at these grade levels.

At the secondary level the Board had changed the requirements from 18 to 20 credits necessary for graduation and changed the subject area requirements. Due to a weakness in the language arts area the Board is now requiring 4 credits in the language arts area thus creating revision of courses in the language arts area. Other areas of the curriculum have also been revised due to the new graduation requirements thus allowing for classes to be more relevent to

SRA ASSESSMENT SURVEY (Continued):

students. As per Board direction, the secondary curriculum is being revised. All courses are to be revised, with the concept of Career Education developed into each course, and a listing of minimal skills to be learned by students. The district is working closely with the National Center for Career Education to train teachers to effectively incorporate career education concepts into the subject areas. The district is actively involved with the Reading Consortium to develop a program in reading to strengthen the reading content area at the secondary level. A comparison of the 1975-76 test scores was presented with those of the 1976-77 test scores. Basically, over the last four years there has been progress in the students achievement, grades K-12. The results have been brought about by the efforts of staff, by curriculum guide revisions K-6, the institution of course changes requiring certain information and consideration of student needs. Areas of subject weakness are being looked at closely for improvement. The district is also looking at performance competencies and requirements for graduation.

Mrs. Cannava inquired into the national percentiles for the elementary grades and Dr. Hall read those to the Board.

Mr. Tommy Corr asked for a comparison of test scores for Soldotna Jr. High School and Kenai Jr. High School.

Dr. Hall stated that he would have to discuss all school scores rather than individual school scores, that it would not be a fair comparison due to the variations of cultures and students in the district.

As a part of the secondary school revisions the desires of business and industry, parents, staff, and students are being assessed through an educational goals questionnaire. Approximately 2,600 have been mailed and the response has been very good. Some persons have been concerned about the numbering sequence on the back of the questionnaire and Dr. Hall stated that the number has nothing to do with individual persons. The numbers are set aside for the individual groups for tabulation of the results. The district is expecting a fairly good response to the questionnaire.

Mrs. Owens asked if the decline in test results at the secondary level was due to the transferring of students.

Dr. Hall said that this was due to various reasons including the students attitude towards testing, motivation, home, innate ability of the student, and courses offered.

Mrs. Fischer questioned the use of tests for a longer period of time, with families becoming familiar with strengths and weakness from test scores.

Dr. Hall said the school district will be developing its own tests based upon the K-6 curriculum and the state is also developing a testing system.

SRA ASSESSMENT SURVEY (Continued):

Mrs. Fischer inquired as to why the spelling levels were lower at the secondary level.

Dr. Hall stated that teachers at the secondary level teach subject matter and it is evident that they must develop word lists for their subject area in order to continue spelling proficiency. It was noted that 99.9% of the staff is doing or attempting to do a good job.

Mr. Glick inquired if the state testing will be mandatory and would it be purchased as is the present testing system?

Dr. Hall answered in the affirmative, but stated that it would not be completed for several years. It was noted that Mrs. Richardson from Seward is on the state committee.

Mrs. Cannava noted that since the total curriculum would not be completed for four years, what would be happening to the student in the meantime.

Dr. Hall stated that staff members would have to be cognizant of students' innate ability and work with them to advance them as much as possible. Fifty of the secondary teachers will be trained in curriculum development in the area of career education. Several teachers are working in the reading and reading content area in developing materials for in-service training for teachers.

At 9:20 P.M., Mr. Hobart called for a short recess.

At 9:34 P.M., Mr. Hobart called the meeting back to order.

Mr. Swarner presented the financial report through May 31, 1977, for the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District.

In an effort to avoid any possibility of the district losing any monies over and above the \$15,064,233 approved last year by the Borough Assembly for the total school district budget, Mrs. Fischer moved that the Board direct the administration to advise the Borough Assembly that it is necessary to expend funds estimated to be \$431,245 for general operation, which may be to some extent in excess of \$15,064,233 approved by the Assembly for Fiscal 77 as a result of the State Department of Education increasing the contracto mileage rate for transportation of students to and from school for the 1976-77 school year. Further, as practiced in previous years, Title and Grant funds estimated to be \$804,545, not included in the \$15,064,233, will have been expended. Mr. Glick seconded.

General discussion followed.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart
Motion carried unanimously.

RECESS:

RECONVENE:

FINANCIAL REPORT:

RESOLUTION:
ACTION

CONSTRUCTION REPORT:

Mr. Ward noted that the Borough Assembly approved the Port Graham Project at its June 14th meeting. Following the Port Graham project Cokitchen additions at Anchor Point and Tustumena schools will commence. Bids for the home economics remodeling project were opened with the low bid at \$23,000. Final approval is scheduled for the June 21st Borough Assembly Agenda. Mr. Hackert has received word that the Village Corporation is willing to build a four-plex teacherage in Tyonek providing they can obtain funding. However, starting at this late date may cause housing problems in August and September. Mr. Ward toured the new Seward High School and construction seems to be moving ahead of schedule. Expected completion date of the high school is June 30, 1978.

SEWARD HIGH SCHOOL FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT:

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that he felt the Board should be aware of the situation and the school district's position for the purchase of furniture and equipment for the New Seward High School. It is the desire of the borough and school district administration to expedite the purchase and delivery of furniture and equipment for the school as early as November, 1977, but due to imposed budget cuts, no warehouse storage, it is anticipated at least a six month delay in purchases with a shipping date of May 15, 1978. This would bring the costs in excess of several thousands of dollars, thus denying the New Seward High School several thousands of dollars of equipment due to inflation.

Mr. Hobart inquired if there is any warehouse space available.

Mr. Kirkpatrick answered no. Presently the district warehouses are full, with some student desks sitting outside. However, 90% of the student desks have been surveyed to the Borough and it is their responsibility to dispose of them.

Mrs. Fischer inquired as to where ordered equipment will be stored.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated there is limited amount of storage space for these items.

NEW FACILITIES FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT:

Mr. Kirkpatrick presented a list of new equipment and furniture for purchase from the New Construction Account for the following schools: Nikolaevsk Elementary School in the amount of \$1,199.84; Seward High School purchases in the amount of \$1,504.45; and Bartlett Elem/High School purchases in the amount of \$4,301.75. It was noted that the Head Teacher at Nikolaevsk Elementary requested cancellation of the Claridge Panels approved by the Board of Education on May 2, 1977, thus creating sufficent funds for the \$1,199.84 purchase.

ACTION

Mrs. Morris moved the Board approve purchases of new equipment as outlined by Mr. Kirkpatrick for Nikolaevsk Elementary School, Seward High School and Bartlett Elem/High School. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Mrs. Fischer inquired as to what the drafting machines are, listed for purchase at the Bartlett Elem/High School.

NEW FACILITIES FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT - ACTION (Continued):

Mr. Ward responded that it is an arm on the drafting table for drafting purposes.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Owens, Hobart

Motion carried unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION CONTRACTS:

Mr. Kirkpatrick introduced Mrs. Cannava as the chairperson of the Transportation Committee.

Mrs. Cannava outlined the negotiation procedures the committee followed in negotiating for the four areas in the district. Mrs. Cannava noted the procedures taken by the committee to audit the individual contractor's financial profit and loss profile concerned with supplying transportation, apply current counter information and statistical data such as securing mileage rates from other areas of the state, consider increased insurance rates, gasoline and oil costs, repair parts and wages, along with unique circumstances taken into consideration with the various routes, and increased safety feature costs promulgated by Congress. The Committee recommended the new proposed rates for Moose Pass Contracts at \$1.87 per mile; Tyonek Contract \$3.86 per mile; Kenai-Soldotna-Sterling-Tustumena-Ninilchik-Anchor Point-Homer Contract at \$1.96 per mile, and Seldovia Contract at \$2.86 per mile. The new rates would be for five or seven years, with the exception of Tyonek which would be for three years. One-year contracts for Hazardous Bus Routes would be at the daily rate of \$10.29 to Don Lamoreaux in Moose Pass, and a daily rate of \$96.30 to Carver and Company, Soldotna. With Board approval contracts will be forwarded to the State Department of Education for final approval and selection of a five or seven year contract, without recommendation as to the selection by the Board as the Department of Education funds 100% of the regular "to and from" transportation.

ACTION

Mr. Glick moved that the Board approve the proposed rates submitted by the committee negotiating with the bus contractors for five and seven year terms except for Tyonek which will be for a three-year contract. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Hobart ABSTAIN - Owens

Motion carried.

Mr. Hobart noted that Mrs. Owens' decision to abstain was due to her employment by a bus contractor.

Mr. Glick moved that the Board approve the Hazardous Bus Contracts as specified by Mrs. Cannava for one year period. Mrs. Morris seconded.

VOTE: YES - Brower, Cannava, Fischer, Glick, Morris, Hobart ABSTAIN - Owens

Motion carried.

BUDGET TRANSFER:

Mr. Swarner recommended approval of Budget Transfer #76-174.

#76-174. District-Wide Special Education: From Account #01-099-200-000-330, Classified Salaries, to Account #01-099-400-000-470, Instructional Media, \$10,000.00; and from Account #01-099-300-000-400, Professional Tech. Services, to Account #01-099-400-000-510, New Equipment, \$8,500.00.

Mrs. Cannava moved the Board approve Budget Transfer #76-174. Mrs. Fischer seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher recommended the Board accept staff appointments for: Miss Judy Moore, Grade 1, North Kenai Elementary; Mrs. Carolyn

Oldemeyer, Speech and English, Kenai Central High School; Mr. Hugh Hays, Science and Math, Kenai Central High School; Mr. Warren Crawford, Vocational Counselor, Kenai Central High School; Mrs. Judith Walgenback, Distributive Education, Kenai Central High School; Mr. Gary Lindman, Instructional & Vocal Music, Soldotna Elementary; Miss Mary Beaumont, Grade 2, East Homer Elementary School; Ms. Marilyn Place, Grades 2 & 3, Susan B. English School; Mrs. Robin Tanguy, Language Arts and Reading, Kenai Jr. High School; Ms. Mary Birkeland, Grade 1, Susan B. English School; Mr. Richard Hultberg, Vice-Principal, Kenai Jr. High School, Ms. Marilyn Hammond, Special Services, Homer Jr/Sr High School, Dr. Peter Larson, Gifted Program, District-Wide; Mr. Kenneth Marlow, High School Teacher/Teacher-In-Charge, English Bay School; Mrs. Judy Marlow, Elementary Teacher, English Bay School; Ms. Francis Miller, half-time to full-time, 6th Grade, Homer Jr/Sr High School; Mrs. Rebecca Buckalew, Grade 2, East Homer Elementary School; Mrs. Charlotte Pendleton, Grades 3 & 4, Bob Bartlett School; Mr. Kim Pendleton, Grades 5 & 6, Bob Bartlett School; Mrs. Elaine Larson, Vocal and Instrumental Music, Seward Schools; Ms. Cynthia Cannell, Special Services, North Kenai Elementary School; and Mr. Randy Hunt, Business Education, Susan B. English School.

Mrs. Cannava moved the Board approve the staff appointments for the 1977-78 school year as recommended by Dr. Gallaher. Mrs. Brower seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Gallaher recommended the Board accept the resignation of Mr. Bruce Haines, Music Instructor, Seward Schools.

Mrs. Morris moved the Board approve the resignation of Mr. Bruce Haines, Music Instructor, Seward Schools. Mrs. Cannava seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Hobart noted that the Seward music programs had improved under the direction of Mr. Haines.

ACTION

STAFF APPOINTMENTS:

ACTION

RESIGNATIONS:

KCHS COURSE OFFERINGS:

Mr. Hobart commented on the revised course offering book no longer available to the public at Kenai Central High School.

Mrs. Fischer noted that the Board should be notified when these courses are no longer offered other than when there are not enough students enrolled to offer the course.

Dr. Hall informed the Board that this would be standard procedure when the secondary course revisions are completed.

Mr. Hobart noted a listing last fall of courses deleted at Kenai Central High School.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Mrs. Brower inquired as to the date of the next School Board meeting. By general consensus, the Board will hold a regular meeting on July 6, 1977, 7:00 P.M., Coffee Room, Borough Building, Soldotna.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

A spokesperson for PALS announced their group will be on KSRM "Sound Off" Friday, June 24, 1977, and invited Board members to participate with the call-in discussion. She also noted that the public address system is difficult for the audience to understand and suggested the Board use the Borough Assembly's microphones.

PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM:

Mrs. Fischer asked that the Borough Assembly's microphones be used since the audience has difficulty understanding and hearing the Board members. She suggested the public address system be used for several meetings in an effort to correct the problem.

ADJOURN:

At 10:35 P.M., by general consent of the Board, the School Board meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully,

Jerry Hobart, President

Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Clerk

The Board minutes of June 20, 1977, were approved with corrections on July 6, 1977.