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# Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education Meeting Minutes

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June 2, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.  
Regular Meeting

Borough Administration Building  
148 N. Binkley, Soldotna, Alaska

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**SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:** Mrs. Sammy Crawford, President  
Mrs. Liz Downing, Vice President  
Mr. Marty Anderson, Clerk  
Mrs. Sunni Hilts, Treasurer  
Dr. Nels Anderson  
Mrs. Debra Mullins  
Mrs. Debbie Brown  
Mr. Bill Hatch  
Ms. Lynn Hohl  
Miss Brittany Meyer, Student Representative

**STAFF PRESENT:** Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent of Schools  
Mrs. Melody Douglas, Chief Financial Officer  
Mr. Glen Szymoniak, Assistant Superintendent  
Mr. Dave Jones, Assistant Superintendent

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Mrs. Doris Cannon	Mr. Tim Peterson
Mr. Doug Cannon	Mrs. Norma Holmgaard
Mrs. Jamie Harper	Mrs. Joyce Woodcock
Mr. John Holst	Mr. Phil Hermanek
Mr. Joe Nicks	Mrs. Jan Halverson
Mrs. Sheila Garrant	Mr. Ken Halverson

Others present not identified.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mrs. Crawford called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m. A quorum of School Board members, Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Downing, Dr. Anderson, Mrs. Hilts and Mr. Hatch were in attendance.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 2:34 p.m. Mr. Hatch moved the Board go into executive session to discuss subjects that tend to prejudice the reputation and character of any person, provided the person may request a public discussion. Specifically, the executive session was to conduct the superintendent evaluation and the Board self-evaluation. Mrs. Downing seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 4:28 p.m., Mr. Hatch moved the executive session be adjourned. Dr. Anderson seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mrs. Crawford called the meeting back to order at 7:00 p.m.  
(7:00:05 PM)

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**  
(7:00:19 PM)

Mrs. Crawford invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT:**  
(7:00:47 PM)

Mrs. Hilts read the District's mission statement.

**ROLL CALL:**  
(7:01:14 PM)

Mrs. Debra Mullins	Absent/Excused
Mrs. Sammy Crawford	Present
Mr. Marty Anderson	Absent/Excused
Dr. Nels Anderson	Present
Mrs. Debbie Brown	Present
Mrs. Liz Downing	Present
Mr. Bill Hatch	Present
Ms. Lynn Hohl	Present
Mrs. Sunni Hilts	Present
Miss Brittany Meyer	Present/arrived at 8:00 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**  
(7:02:02 PM)

The agenda was approved as written.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**  
(7:02:11 PM)

The School Board Minutes of May 5, 2008, were approved as printed.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:**  
(7:02:26 PM)

The Board presented a Golden Apple Award to Sheila Garrant, parent volunteer, for her service to Tustumena Elementary School.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:**  
(7:06:06 PM)

Dr. Peterson notified the Board that the information packet contains correspondence regarding hockey on the South Peninsula and asked the Board for direction on the request. She reminded the Board of the June 3 Planning Session to be held at the Soldotna City Hall beginning at 9:00 a.m. and noted that agendas can be found in the Board packet. She noted that Digital Learning Consortium applications were completed and acknowledged by the Association of Alaska School Boards (AASB) for students in Grades 7 through 12 at Razdolna School and for students in Grades 7 at Nikiski Middle/High.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE, SITE COUNCIL AND/OR P.T.A., K.P.A.A., K.P.E.A., K.P.E.S.A, BOROUGH ASSEMBLY:**  
(7:06:58 PM)

Mrs. LaDawn Druce explained that she is missing the Stanley Cup playoffs in order to attend the Board meeting. She thanked the Board for their work, expressed appreciation for the regular meetings with the Board president, and expressed appreciation for the administration and their work during the past school year. She expressed hope that the positive working relationship will carry into negotiations during the upcoming year. She stated that she is excited about the number of new teachers being hired and that the District has a budget to work with.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT:***(7:08:59 PM)*

Dr. Peterson presented the End of the Year Report, which included a summary of Board action for the 2007-2008 school year as well as progress on administrative work plans and Board goals. She reported that the Project GRAD Summer Institute begins June 2 with 14 scholarships to be awarded to participating students. She reported that Failure Is Not An Option Training will be held on June 9 through 11 and that the Leadership Team Retreat will be held in the afternoon of June 11. She noted that Mr. Szymoniak has taken a superintendent position in McCall, Idaho and invited the public to a reception in his honor on June 4 at the Borough Administration Building. She announced that Alan Fields has been selected as Region III Principal of the Year.

**LEASE AGREEMENTS:***(7:11:11 PM)*

Mr. Jones reviewed the report of leases and agreements for the 2008-2009 school year.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:***(7:12:54 PM)*

Mrs. Douglas presented the financial report of the District for the period ending April 30, 2008.

**BOARD REPORTS:***(7:14:00 PM)*

Mrs. Liz Downing reported that she attended the Project GRAD planning session and noted that regular federal funding is looking possible for the future. She reported that the Summer Institute has begun and is being attended by 30 to 40 students. She invited Board members to join her in attending the program on Friday, June 13 in which scholarships will be awarded.

Mr. Hatch reported that he attended the Charter School Oversight Committee meeting in which the group discussed ways to fairly share services between schools that are housed in the same facility. He reported that a group is completing the application process necessary to begin a charter school.

Ms. Hohl reported that she attended the Seward High graduation, and expressed appreciation for the administration's attendance at graduation ceremonies.

Mrs. Hilts reported that she attended graduation ceremonies at Razdolna, Kachemak-Selo, and Voznesenka in the same day and thanked Mr. Szymoniak for transporting her to each one. She reported that she also attended the Nanwalek Elementary/High School graduation ceremony.

Mr. Hatch noted that he attended graduation ceremonies at Kenai Central High and Nikiski Middle/High.

Mrs. Crawford reported that she attended graduation ceremonies at Skyview High and Soldotna High. She reported that she attended the BP Teachers of Excellence dinner and award ceremony to honor the teachers who were selected for the 2007-2008 school year. She reported that she joined Dr. Peterson in attending the Construction Committee meeting at the Kenai Job Center and learned about the District's partnership with other groups to provide vocational and career and technical education.

**BOARD WORKSESSION  
REPORT:***(7:22:21 PM)*

Mrs. Crawford reported that the Charter School Oversight Committee met prior to the Board worksessions. She reported that the Board conducted the superintendent evaluation and the Board self-evaluation; heard an update on the Community Scholarship Program; and held worksessions regarding policy revisions and revisions to the FY09 Budget. She reported that the Board heard an update regarding at-the-cap funding by the Borough. She reminded Board members of the June 3 Planning Session.

**CONSENT AGENDA:***(7:23:36 PM)*

Items presented on the Consent Agenda were Approval of Resignations; New Teacher Contracts; Budget Transfers; Long-Term Substitute Teacher Contract; Nontenure Teacher Contracts; Nontenured Teachers for Tenure; and 2008-2009 KPSAA Handbook Changes.

**RESIGNATIONS:**

Mr. Jones recommended the Board approve resignations, effective at the end of the 2007-2008 school year, from Glen Szymoniak, assistant superintendent, District Office; Patricia Jay, history teacher (currently on unpaid leave of absence), Homer High; Erica Becker, special education resource, Mountain View Elementary; Mark R. Lee, Jr., music, Mountain View Elementary; Jerry Byrne, physical education/history, Ninilchik School; Stephanie Lockman, special education emotionally handicapped, Nikiski Middle/High; Theresa Zabala, Grade 3/4, Seward Elementary; and Jennifer McDonald, history, Seward High.

**NEW TEACHER CONTRACTS:**

Mr. Jones recommended the Board approve teacher contracts for the 2008-2009 school year for Cynthia K. Detrow, speech language pathologist, Districtwide, Central Peninsula; Raymond M. Bailey, Grade 4/5 teacher (permanent .50 FTE/temporary .50 FTE), Kachemak-Selo School; David J. Brown, special education resource teacher, Nikiski Middle/High; Jeff C. Baker, .50 FTE physical education/health teacher, Kenai Central High; Barbara G. Den Boer, language arts teacher, Ninilchik Elementary/High; Bryan Hickey, math teacher, Ninilchik Elementary/High; Marsha A. Bailey, primary grade teacher, Paul Banks Elementary; Erin M. Oxford, primary grade teacher, Paul Banks Elementary; Shonna Bilyeu, language arts teacher, Razdolna School; Timothy J. Whip, (temporary .50 FTE) Title I/migrant teacher, Razdolna School; Tamra Wear, .50 FTE librarian, Soldotna High School; Margaret Griffin, school counselor, Skyview High School; Kevin Freedman, language arts teacher, Skyview High School; Byron T. Weeks, science teacher, Skyview High School; Darlene Port, music teacher, Soldotna Elementary/Soldotna Montessori; Dana Edwards, math teacher, Soldotna High School; Meggean L. Bos, home economics teacher, Soldotna High School; SheilahMargaret Pothast, .50 FTE Spanish teacher, Soldotna Middle School; Jason S. Evans, intermediate grade teacher, Sterling Elementary; Holly Alston, Grades 5 to 8 generalist teacher, Susan B. English Elementary/High; and Robyn E. Zinszer, special education resource teacher, Susan B. English Elementary High.

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:**

Mrs. Douglas recommended the Board approve budget transfer Numbers 900, 901 and 902 to adjust fuel account budgets because of increased cost of fuel for Home-to-School bus routes and the addition of Extended School Year summer programs (\$13,840 for the Seward area, \$32,000 for the Homer area and \$125,000 for the Central Peninsula). Budget transfer Number 904 for \$114,900 to pay for the addition of two Special Services busses for the 2007-2008 school year; and Numbers 918 and 919 to pay for substitute salary costs due to long-term employee absences (\$10,659 for Seward Elementary and \$11,992 for Tustumena Elementary).

**LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE TEACHER CONTRACT:**

Mr. Jones recommended the Board approve a long-term substitute teacher contract for Sherry Nauta, Grade 1, K-Beach Elementary.

**NONTENURE TEACHER CONTRACTS:**

Mr. Jones recommended the Board approve nontenure teacher contracts for Donny Joachim, intermediate grade, K-Beach Elementary; Cheryl Romatz, elementary interventionist, K-Beach Elementary; Penny Connealy, Grade 2/3, Ninilchik Elementary/High; Kimberly DeGard, primary grade, Paul Banks Elementary; Naomi Karlin, art, Seward High; Carlyn Nichols, science, Seward High; Cary Calvert, math, Skyview High; Ruth Sensenig, language arts/social studies, Susan B. English Elementary/High; Cindy Robertson, Grade 3/4 (temporary), Voznesenka School; and Rebecca Paul, special education resource, West Homer Elementary.

**NONTENURED TEACHERS FOR TENURE:**

Mr. Jones recommended the Board approve nontenure teachers Kelly Balise, Myla Liljemark, Maryvonne Guillemine, and Sandra Lyons, for tenure.

**2008-2009 KPSAA HANDBOOK CHANGES:**

Mr. Jones recommended the Board approve proposed middle school handbook changes recommended by the Kenai Peninsula School Activities Association member schools for the 2007-2008 school year.

**MOTION**

Dr. Anderson moved the Board approve Consent Agenda Items Numbers 1 through 7. Mr. Hatch seconded.

Ms. Hohl removed item Number 7.

Motion carried unanimously on Numbers 1 through 6.

**MOTION**

Ms. Hohl moved the Board approve an amendment to Number 7 that middle school fees for sports that are covered by the higher fees at the high school level be \$60 and those that are covered with the lower fee at the high school level be \$45. Mrs. Hilts seconded.

**VOTE ON HOHL AMENDMENT:**

YES – Brown, Hohl

NO – N. Anderson, Hatch, Hilts, Downing, Crawford

Amendment failed.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**  
(Continued)

VOTE ON NUMBER 7:

YES – Hilts, N. Anderson, Brown, Hatch, Downing, Crawford  
NO – Hohl

Motion carried.

**FY09 BUDGET REVISION:**  
(7:30:37 PM)

Mrs. Douglas recommended the Board approve expenditure budget changes to the FY09 budget with the general fund budget to remain at \$120,209,256, the special revenue funds of \$16,888,975 for a total FY09 budget for all funds of \$137,098,231.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Hilts moved the Board approve expenditure budget changes to the FY09 budget with the general fund budget to remain at \$120,209,256, the special revenue funds of \$16,888,975 for a total FY09 budget for all funds of \$137,098,231. Mrs. Downing seconded.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Brown moved the Board approve an amendment to the FY09 budget revision to remove the language describing the new Emergency Fund. Mr. Hatch seconded.

VOTE ON BROWN AMENDMENT:

YES – Brown  
NO – Downing, Hilts, N. Anderson, Hatch, Hohl, Crawford

Amendment failed.

VOTE ON FY09 BUDGET REVISION:

YES – Hatch, Downing, Hilts, Hohl, N. Anderson, Crawford  
NO – Brown

Motion carried.

**POLICY REVISIONS:**  
(7:37:16 PM)

Mrs. Crawford recommended the Board approve proposed adoptions and revisions to BP 1140, Responsibilities of the Board; BP 1312, Public Complaints Concerning the Schools; E 1312 (b), Public Complaints Concerning the Schools; AR 2122 (a) (b), Superintendent of Schools – Job Description; E 9000 (a) (b), Role of Board and Members; BB 9010, Public Statements; E 9110, Student Representative on KPBSD Board of Education – Job Description; BB 9120, Officers and Auxiliary Personnel; BB 9121 (a) (b), President; BB 9130, Board Committees; E 9130, Board Committees; BB 9200, Board Members; BB 9223 (a) (b), Board Vacancies; BB 9230, Orientation; BB 9240, Board Development; BB 9250, Compensation, Reimbursement, and Other Benefits; AR 9250, Compensation, Reimbursement, and Other Benefits; BB 9271, Code of Ethics; E 9271 (a) (b) (c), Code of Ethics; BB 9310, Policy Manual; BB 9311, Board Policies; BB 9313, Administrative Regulations and Exhibits; BB 9320 (a) (b), Meetings; BB 9321, Executive Sessions; BB 9322, Agenda/Meeting Materials; and E 9322 (a), Order of Business.

**POLICY REVISIONS:**  
(Continued)

Mrs. Joyce Woodcock, community member of the Board Bylaws and Protocols Committee, stated that there are parts of the proposed bylaws and administrative regulation revisions she is not pleased with and asked the Board to postpone action to a date later than July to allow more time for members of the community to review them.

Neal Duperron, Soldotna resident, expressed concern for the proposed increase in salary for Board members and for the restriction from speaking about a particular item by a Board member after a vote is taken.

Mrs. Woodcock, Kenai resident, stated that she does not object to the increase in Board salary and compared the amount of time needed to do the work to the time required to serve on the Borough Assembly.

**MOTION**

Dr. Anderson moved the Board approve proposed adoptions and revisions to BP 1140, Responsibilities of the Board; BP 1312, Public Complaints Concerning the Schools; E 1312 (b), Public Complaints Concerning the Schools; AR 2122 (a) (b), Superintendent of Schools – Job Description; E 9000 (a) and (b), Role of Board and Members; BB 9010, Public Statements; E 9110, Student Representative on KPBSD Board of Education – Job Description; BB 9120, Officers and Auxiliary Personnel; BB 9121 (a) (b), President; BB 9130, Board Committees; E 9130, Board Committees; BB 9200, Board Members; BB 9223 (a) (b), Board Vacancies; BB 9230, Orientation; BB 9240, Board Development; BB 9250, Compensation, Reimbursement, and Other Benefits; AR 9250, Compensation, Reimbursement, and Other Benefits; BB 9271, Code of Ethics; E 9271 (a) (b) (c), Code of Ethics; BB 9310, Policy Manual; BB 9311, Board Policies; BB 9313, Administrative Regulations and Exhibits; BB 9320 (a) (b), Meetings; BB 9321, Executive Sessions; BB 9322, Agenda/Meeting Materials; E 9322 (a), Order of Business. Mr. Hatch seconded.

Mrs. Brown removed BB 9010; AR 9250; E 9271 (a), (b), and (c); and BB 9320 (a) and (b).

Mrs. Hilts removed BP 1140 (b).

Ms. Hohl removed E 9000 (a) and (b), BB 9200.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Brown moved the Board divide the question and vote on the removed bylaws, regulations, and exhibits separately. Mr. Hatch seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Miss Brittany Meyer arrived at 8:00 p.m.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Brown moved the Board postpone action on the revisions to Board bylaws and policies to the August 4 meeting. Ms. Hohl seconded.

**POLICY REVISIONS:**  
(Continued)

VOTE ON POSTPONEMENT:

Advisory Vote – ABSTAIN  
YES – Hohl, Brown  
NO – Hatch, Hilts, Downing, Anderson, Crawford

Motion failed.

Dr. Anderson asked the Board to vote on the remaining policies and regulations: BP 1312, Public Complaints Concerning the Schools; E 1312 (b), Public Complaints Concerning the Schools; AR 2122 (a) (b), Superintendent of Schools – Job Description; E 9110, Student Representative on KPBSD Board of Education – Job Description; BB 9120, Officers and Auxiliary Personnel; BB 9121 (a) (b), President; BB 9130, Board Committees; E 9130, Board Committees; BB 9223 (a) (b), Board Vacancies; BB 9230, Orientation; BB 9240, Board Development; BB 9250, Compensation, Reimbursement, and Other Benefits; BB 9271, Code of Ethics; BB 9310, Policy Manual; BB 9311, Board Policies; BB 9313, Administrative Regulations and Exhibits; BB 9321, Executive Sessions; BB 9322, Agenda/Meeting Materials; E 9322 (a), Order of Business.

VOTE ON REMAINING ITEMS:

Advisory Vote – YES  
YES – Hilts, Downing, Hohl, Hatch, N. Anderson, Crawford  
NO – Brown

Motion carried

**MOTION**

Mrs. Hilts moved the Board approve an amendment to BP 1140 (b) to insert the words “the rules outlined in the Board Code of Ethics should be followed” after the words “determined that” in the second paragraph. Dr. Anderson seconded.

VOTE ON HILTS AMENDMENT:

Advisory Vote – YES  
YES – Hohl, Downing, N. Anderson, Hatch, Hilts, Crawford  
NO – Brown

Amendment to BP 1140 carried.

VOTE ON AMENDED BP 1140:

Advisory Vote – YES  
YES – Hohl, Hatch, N. Anderson, Hilts, Downing, Crawford  
NO – Brown

Amended motion carried.



**POLICY REVISIONS:**

*(Continued)*

**MOTION**

Dr. Anderson moved the Board approve an amendment to E 9000 (a) to insert the words "information taking more than 15 minutes such as" after the words "Requests for" in numbered paragraph I. 3. Ms. Hohl seconded.

Amendment to E 9000 (a) carried.

Amended motion carried.

**RECESS:**

*(8:30:07 PM)*

**RECONVENE AFTER**

**RECESS:**

*(8:35:51 PM)*

**MOTION**

At 8:30 p.m. Mrs. Crawford called a recess.

At 8:35 p.m. the Board convened in regular session.

Ms. Hohl moved the Board approve an amendment to E 9000 (b) to insert Number 10 which would say "Regional administrator and shared administrator vacancies will have a modified process." Dr. Anderson seconded.

Amendment to E 9000 (b) carried.

Amended motion carried.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Brown moved the Board approve an amendment to BB 9010 to remove the last paragraph. Mr. Hatch seconded.

VOTE ON BROWN AMENDMENT:

Advisory Vote – YES

YES – Brown

NO – Downing, Hatch, Hohl, Hilts, N. Anderson, Crawford

Amendment to BB 9010 failed.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Brown moved the Board approve an amendment to BB 9010 to remove the first sentence. Motion died for lack of a second.

VOTE ON BB 9010:

Advisory Vote – YES

YES – Hohl, Downing, Hatch, Hilts, N. Anderson, Crawford

NO – Brown

Motion carried.

**MOTION**

Ms. Hohl moved the Board approve an amendment to BB 9200 to remove the words "school based organizations" and replace with "organizations supporting student activities" in the last paragraph. Dr. Anderson seconded.

Amendment to BB 9200 carried unanimously.

Amended motion carried unanimously.

**POLICY REVISIONS:**

*(Continued)*

**MOTION**

Dr. Anderson moved the Board approve an amendment to AR 9250 making the increase in salary effective after the election in October 2008. Mrs. Hilts seconded.

VOTE ON N. ANDERSON AMENDMENT:

Advisory Vote – YES

YES – Hohl, Hatch, Hilts, N. Anderson, Downing, Crawford

NO – Brown

Amendment to AR 9250 carried.

VOTE ON AMENDED AR 9250:

Advisory Vote – YES

YES – Hilts, N. Anderson, Downing, Hatch, Crawford

NO – Hohl, Brown

Amended motion carried.

**MOTION**

Dr. Anderson recommended the Board approve a request to commit E 9271 (a), (b), and (c) to the administration for their recommendations. Mrs. Downing seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Brown moved the Board rescind action taken on BB 9271. Ms. Hohl seconded.

Motion to rescind action on BB 9271 carried unanimously.

**MOTION**

Dr. Anderson moved the Board approve a request to commit BB 9271 to the administration for their recommendations. Mrs. Brown seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION**

Dr. Anderson moved the Board vote on the question to approve revisions to BB 9320. Ms. Hohl seconded.

VOTE ON CALL FOR THE QUESTION:

Advisory Vote – YES

YES – Hilts, N. Anderson, Hatch, Downing, Crawford

NO – Hohl, Brown

Motion carried unanimously.

VOTE ON REVISIONS TO BB 9320:

Advisory Vote – YES

YES – Hatch, Hohl, Hilts, N. Anderson, Downing, Crawford

NO – Brown

Motion carried.

**POLICY REVISIONS:**  
(9:20:12 PM)

Mr. Jones recommended the Board approve proposed adoptions and revisions to AR 0520 School Improvement Plan – Development, Approval and Implementation; BP 3580, District Records; BP 5030, School Discipline and Safety; BP 6164.3, Student Mental Health – Medication and Services; BP 6164.4, Child Find; BP 6172, Special Education; BP and AR 3541.1, School Related Trips; BP 6146.1, High School Graduation; BP 5116, School Attendance Boundaries; and E 5116, Out-of-Area Attendance Request.

**MOTION**

Mrs. Hilts moved the Board approve proposed adoptions and revisions to AR 0520 School Improvement Plan – Development, Approval and Implementation; BP 3580, District Records; BP 5030, School Discipline and Safety; BP 6164.3, Student Mental Health – Medication and Services; BP 6164.4, Child Find; BP 6172, Special Education; BP and AR 3541.1, School Related Trips; BP 6146.1, High School Graduation; BP 5116, School Attendance Boundaries; and E 5116, Out-of-Area Attendance Request. Dr. Anderson seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**FIRST READING OF POLICY REVISIONS:**  
(9:24:40 PM)

The Board heard a first reading of proposed revisions to Section 1000 of the Policy Manual and various other policies and administrative regulations.

**BOARD COMMENTS:**  
(9:26:36 PM)

Mrs. Crawford presented Miss Meyer with a card and plaque in appreciation for her service as the student representative to the Board of Education.

Miss Meyer thanked the Board for allowing her to serve as the student representative and added that she may attend more meetings, if her schedule allows. She thanked the Board for their dedication and service to District students.

Ms. Hohl announced that she is a new grandmother of twins. She reported that she attended the promotion ceremonies at Moose Pass Elementary and Cooper Landing Elementary. She reported that she attended the Alaska Workforce Investment Board meeting and noted that she is Mr. Anderson's committee alternate and is anxious to serve in that capacity. She wished good luck to Miss Meyer.

Mrs. Hilts noted that Miss Meyer is a wonderful role model to the students of the District. She expressed appreciation for Mr. Szymoniak and noted that he will be missed.

## **BOARD COMMENTS:**

*(Continued)*

Mrs. Brown recognized Kenai Peninsula businesses, service organizations and individuals who contribute to student scholarships. She stated that the Board self-evaluation process and superintendent evaluation process is not working well and noted that she did not participate in either evaluation because she feels that the Board should have the public perform the evaluations and that the instrument be changed. She stated that the Board should get away from the routine forms currently being used and provided by AASB and the National Association of School Boards and require more accountability.

Mr. Hatch expressed appreciation to Mr. Szymoniak for his service to the District. He thanked Miss Meyer for her contributions.

Dr. Anderson expressed appreciation for Mr. Szymoniak's service to the District. He stated that he has known Miss Meyer since she was an infant. He asked the Board to review the village schools' hockey request. He expressed hope that another Board member will continue his practice of asking each graduate for their post high school plans.

Mrs. Downing reported that she attended the Homer Flex graduation and during the ceremony she asked each student to publicly share their plans after high school. She reported that she attended graduation ceremonies at Soldotna High, Homer Flex, and Homer High. She expressed appreciation to Mr. Szymoniak for his contributions to the District. She asked for Board member consensus in requesting the administration prepare a recommendation to include Russian Old Believers schools' students in Homer High cocurricular activities. She reported that she understood that one option would be to convert the Old Believer schools at Voznesenka, Razdolna and Kachemak Selo to alternative schools. She stated that another option would be to change the Alaska Student Activities Association rules for 1A schools and allowing them to participate in cocurricular activities at a nearby school if they do not have appropriate facilities. She reported that she would like the question expanded beyond hockey. She requested an excused absence for the July meeting.

## **MOTION**

Mrs. Downing moved the Board approve a request to direct the administration to prepare a recommendation to include the Russian Old Believer high schools within the hockey program and to review the various options with KPSAA and ASAA. Mr. Hatch seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Crawford thanked the Board for their work on the Board Bylaws. She thanked Dr. Peterson for the End of the Year Report and stated that the superintendent evaluation went well as did the process. She stated that she will miss Mr. Szymoniak. She thanked Miss Meyer for her contributions to the Board.

# UNAPPROVED

**ADJOURN:**  
*(9:40:10 PM)*

At 9:40 p.m., Mr. Hatch moved the School Board Meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Downing seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mrs. Sammy Crawford, President

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Mr. Marty Anderson, Clerk

The Minutes of June 2, 2008,  
have not been approved as of  
June 26, 2008.