

FOOD SERVICES REPORT:

Mr. Lengenfelder, Food Services Assistant Director, and Mr. Swarner, Executive Director, Business Management, reported on the Food Services Program for the district. Mr. Lengenfelder told the Board the food services program encompasses serving lunches to approximately 10,000 students on a daily basis, 168 days a year, provides nutrition information to students and staff, has a student committee involved in taste-testing and meal planning, teaches students food preparation, sanitation techniques and cashiering skills. In addition, eighty dedicated food service employees serve more than just food, and act as advisors to students and school organizations, work as program and classroom volunteers and participate in other school-related activities. He noted the program has made numerous improvements to enhance its efficiencies in the past two years. Mr. Swarner reported a study was conducted on the ramifications of contracting out the food services operation of the district. Pre-bid information was supplied to ARAMARK and Marriott, with ARAMARK being the only firm to visit the district's operation and submit a written financial estimate to contract the food services program. Although the company anticipated a 17% increase in revenue, there appeared to be an overall plus/minus earnings of 1.5%. He noted if the program is contracted, some portions of the program would still be conducted by the district, i.e., free and reduced application process, price setting of meals, accountability of USDA donated foods, etc. Mr. Swarner requested Board direction on whether to seek bids for the food service program.

BUDGET TRANSFER REPORT:

Mr. Swarner reported on Budget Transfers #348 through #907 for schools and departments within the district.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Swarner presented the financial report of the district for the period ending May 31, 1995. In response to questions from Mr. Tauriainen, Mr. Swarner stated there have been numerous long-term illnesses this year with the account balance being approximately -\$120,000.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items on the Consent Agenda included Approval of Furniture and Equipment List, Grant Applications, Lease/Purchase Telephone System, Substitute Teacher Contracts, Leave of Absence Requests/Certified, Leave of Absence Requests/Support, Resignations, and 1995-96 Teacher Assignment.

FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT LIST:

Mr. Dahlgren recommended the Board approve the purchase of furniture and equipment for the Tustumena Elementary School addition in the amount of \$16,125.99.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS: At 9:19 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session.

POLICY 006.75/006.75R, Mr. Thorpe recommended the Board approve Policy 006.75,
STUDENT ACCESS: Student Access and the accompanying regulation, 006.75.

ACTION Mr. Thibodeau moved the Board approve Policy 006.75, Student
Access, and associated regulation. Mr. Arness seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

POLICY 007.5, STUDENT FEES: Dr. Bromenschenkel recommended the Board approve Policy
007.5, Student Fees, which included suggested changes made
by the Board at the time of the first reading. He noted the
policy can remain in place, but not enforced except during
periods of time when the Board of Education acts to impose
such fees. He clarified various areas of the policy for
Board members, noting that changes could be made during the
year.

Mrs. Pam Lettington, North Star parent, addressed the letter
written by the three parent groups from the Nikiski area
related to charging student fees. She stated the
secretarial workload needed to be considered, the policy
places the school in the position of being a collection
agency where parents might become intimidated and ultimately
effect parent involvement in the schools if fees are not
paid. She also noted some schools might be more profitable
than others based on the free and reduced lunch count used
to assess fees. She felt the collection of fees should be
further evaluated before it is implemented.

Mrs. Judy Queen, Nikiski Jr/Sr High PTSA President, asked
the Board to postpone implementation of the policy as
outlined in the letter from the Nikiski parent groups. She
felt the timing was inappropriate because many parents are
away on vacation or involved in summer activities, and
unavailable for input into the policy. She noted that most
parents are not opposed to the fees, but should have
information on how the policy will be implemented and how
fees will be collected.

Mrs. Ann Bayes, Anchor Point parent, noted that although the
policy had been discussed in Homer, Seward, and Soldotna
there still were unanswered questions. She requested the
Board postpone the policy for further discussion.

EXPULSION HEARING RESULTS
(continued):

The Principal related a series of events involving the student. First, on April 11, 1995 JK was receiving instruction from Ms. Holly Zwink when he became violent in class. He left the classroom with his Special Education Aide, Mr. Tom Atkinson. He told Mr. Atkinson "That woman is going to drive me to the top of a water tower with an AK47. If I get out of here, I will come back and I will kill her, and I don't care if you tell her, 'cause it's the truth." Mr. Atkinson informed the school office of this threat and said that he thought JK was serious. JK was suspended pending this hearing pursuant to KPBSD Policy 007.22. Second, the Principal provided evidence describing a history of disruptive and sometimes violent behavior, beginning while JK was at Mountain View Elementary, continuing through his attendance at Kenai Central and at Nikiski Middle/High. His history includes repeated fighting with other students, truancy, theft and other incidents.

The Guardian Ad Litem stated that, after reviewing the documents and attending a meeting with D.F.Y.S., school personnel and JK's psychologist, she saw no avenue other than expulsion for JK. She was concerned for the ongoing safety of both JK and the community, and that JK receive appropriate treatment.

The past action and attitude of this student make it clear his presence is contrary to the welfare and safety of other people, that he openly defies reasonable school authority, and creates a constant drain on the resources of the school in attempting to deal with him. They also demonstrate a clear risk of future actions affecting students and the school.

These risks make it necessary to remove this student from the school by expulsion for the 1995-96 school year. Less time does not give the district the opportunity to assess behavior change or adequately protect other students. Even that amount of time may be insufficient and careful review must be undertaken upon application for readmission at the end of the expulsion period. The student shall not go on school grounds during the period of expulsion for any reason, nor shall he attend any school event or function whatsoever. Prior to readmission to a classroom setting at the end of the expulsion period, the student shall supply a psychological evaluation from a duly licensed psychologist to the Assistant Superintendent for Instruction rendering the opinion that there is cause to believe that public education is an appropriate setting for JK. If it is determined that public school is an appropriate setting,

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EXPULSION HEARING RESULTS
 (continued):

then a behavioral contract will first be entered between JK, his foster parents and the school outlining the conditions for his continued attendance." Dr. Anderson seconded.

Mrs. Obendorf noted the student representative was not in attendance at the hearing and would abstain from voting.

Motion carried unanimously.

KPSAA CO-CURRICULAR
 ACTIVITIES HANDBOOKS:

Mr. Dahlgren recommended the Board approve the changes presented to the 1995-96 KPSAA Co-Curricular Handbooks as recommended by the KPSAA Board. He reviewed the changes with the Board. He noted a worksession had taken place on the changes which addressed student eligibility where access could be gained by students who are not full time students. He noted that at the junior high level there is an exclusion to the regulations for band and drama as extensions of classroom competition where the student is not required to be enrolled in three district classes; and students enrolled in less than three classes/nonenrolled may participate in intramurals on a space available basis. He noted changes include a fee increase to \$35 per activity, a change in basketball to eight minute quarters, and changes in coaches' responsibilities. Changes at the high school level included revisions in student eligibility, scholastic eligibility for participation, clarification of student rules, increase in participation fees (maximum \$350 per family annually) and changes in coaches' responsibilities. Mr. Dahlgren responded to questions from the Board and acknowledged grammatical corrections.

Ms. Renee Henderson corrected the listing of Massed Band and Massed Choir events at the junior high level. She further commented that at the high school level it is not always possible to find same sex chaperones for large groups, and questioned whether there could be legal problems with Item E. 2.

ACTION

Mr. Arness moved the Board approve the KPSAA handbooks with associated grammatical and spelling suggestions. Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

ACTION

Dr. Anderson moved to amend the motion to delete Item D.4, page 15 of the high school handbook, "The maximum participation fee assessed any family will not exceed \$350." Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

Dr. Anderson commented he felt this was adequately covered in Item D.3., with waiver requests.

KPSAA CO-CURRICULAR
ACTIVITIES HANDBOOKS
(continued):

VOTE ON AMENDMENT:

YES - Anderson, Larned, Obendorf
NO - Arness, Tauriainen, Thibodeau
Advisory Vote -YES

Amendment failed.

Motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO RESCIND 1995-96
LEAVE OF ABSENCE/CERTIFIED:

Mrs. Radtke recommended the Board approve rescinding an unpaid leave of absence request for the 1995-96 school year for Linda Rourke, Art, Homer High.

ACTION

Mr. Tauriainen moved the Board approve the rescinding request. Dr. Anderson seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

1995-96 TENTATIVE NON-
TENURE TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS:

Mrs. Radtke recommended the Board approve 1995-96 tentative non-tenure teacher assignments for the following:

Nikiski Elementary
Emmerich, Douglas

Tustumena Elementary
Massingill, Tammy (.5)
Temporary

ACTION

Dr. Anderson moved the Board approve the 1995-96 non-tenure tentative teacher assignments as presented. Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

Ms. Henderson questioned what the temporary assignment was because the person hired was a replacement for a person on leave of absence. Mrs. Radtke explained that replacement positions for teachers on leave are listed as temporary positions.

Motion carried unanimously.

CENTRAL OFFICE
ADMINISTRATOR ASSIGNMENTS:

Mrs. Radtke recommended the Board approve 1995-96 central office administrator assignments for MaryJo Sanders, Coordinator, Grants/Parent Involvement; and Fred Esposito, Coordinator, Vocational Education.

ACTION

Mr. Thibodeau moved the Board approve the central office administrator assignments of MaryJo Sanders, Coordinator, Grants/Parent Involvement; and Fred Esposito, Coordinator, Vocational Education. Dr. Anderson seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

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1995-96 NON-TENURE TEACHER
FOR TENURE:

Mrs. Radtke recommended the Board approve a 1995-96 non-tenure teacher for tenure assignment as follows:

Voznesenka
Cindy Rassmussen

ACTION

Dr. Anderson moved the Board approve the non-tenure teacher for tenure assignment as recommended. Mr. Arness seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

SCHOOL BASED DECISION
MAKING PROCESS:

Dr. Bromenschenkel recommended the Board approve the School Based Decision Making Process document which would be implemented at each school site during the 1995-96 school year.

Mrs. Karen Mahurin, KPESA Chairperson, questioned why the School Based Decision Making process was again before the Board when the committee making process had been completed last year. She also questioned the reason, in Section VIII, for waivers with employee group when KPESA does not have waiver language in their negotiated agreement. She considered the recourse for this would be unfair labor practice. She noted the previous committee had a very clear process with the employee groups to work with the district in dealing with issues. She noted it is not uncommon that teacher variances could effect support employees, and she considered this as a breakdown on how this positive process was to work. Without appropriate language in the negotiated agreement and the school based decision making document, she feared there would be labor problems in the future. Dr. Bromenschenkel responded that the language in the document was reached by consensus with representatives from all labor groups of the district. He reminded the Board worksessions were held where all sections of the document were reviewed with representatives of the committee present, and the document was unanimously approved by the committee. He noted if there are to be changes in the language, this should be made through the negotiation process.

Mrs. Ann Bayes, Anchor Point parent, commented there should be clarification on the statement about school goals being included within each school's council bylaws. She felt the process for setting goals should be included in the bylaws, not the actual goals themselves.

ACTION

Mr. Thibodeau moved the Board approve the School Based Decision Making Process. Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ONE-YEAR MORATORIUM ON
CHAPMAN TO HOMER MOVE:

Dr. Bromenschenkel recommended the Board approve a one-year moratorium on the movement of Chapman 7th and 8th grade students to Homer Middle School, thus providing the Anchor Point residents an opportunity to plan for the transition. He noted an agreement with the Anchor Point School Based Decision Making Council was reached with the council agreeing to maintain staffing levels for the 1995-96 school year at the same level as the 1994-95 school year. He noted there would be no additional cost to the district for implementation of this recommendation.

Mr. James Simeroth, KPEA President, told the Board he had no problem with the moratorium, but did have a problem with staffing levels for the 1995-96 year at Chapman School. He felt this was shallow ground to allow a particular situation as reason to alter the staffing, which could similarly happen in other schools. He did not feel it was fair that staffing allocations could be used to get a school to follow the school board's or administration's course of action, and felt the district's staffing formula should be enforced. Mrs. Obendorf responded this was a proposal brought to the Board from the Chapman School Based Decision Making Council that they agreed to maintain the current staff for the 1995-96 school year.

Dr. Anderson questioned Mr. Simeroth whether his organization would challenge the Board's decision on the staffing formula issue. Mr. Simeroth responded he couldn't answer the question at the moment, however, if there were grounds to challenge he would recommend that.

ACTION

Mr. Thibodeau moved the Board approve the one-year moratorium on the Chapman to Homer move. Mrs. Larned seconded.

Mrs. Obendorf commented she shared Mr. Simeroth's concerns, and questioned when does the Board get into the position where they allow parents to ask for less than students are entitled.

Mr. Thibodeau questioned whether all schools are staffed according to the formula. Dr. Bromenschenkel noted the staffing formula is used as a guideline and adjustments are made. He suggested the Board conduct a study on this process next year to put clarity into it.

Motion carried unanimously.

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PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Mrs. Karen Mahurin, KPESA President, noted that the financial reports of the district have indicated a high use of substitute accounts. She noted that the budget does not allow for the amount of time allocated for support employees days accrued for sick leave and personal leave. She noted there is not excessive use of substitute time, just that there is not enough money allocated in the budget to cover the amount of time.

BOARD COMMENTS:

The Board extended best wishes to Mandy Baldwin, Student Representative to the Board, on her future endeavors. They commented on the professional manner in which she presented the student's point of view on the Board.

Mr. Tauriainen commented he felt the policy review sessions were productive, but expressed concern on implementing the policy changes. He suggested the Board hold a worksession on the implementation process within the next few months. Mrs. Obendorf responded that Mrs. Young of AASB told her it would be nine months to a year before any changes would be made.

Mr. Tauriainen stated he would like to see the district continue pursuing contracting of the food services program.

Dr. Anderson expressed concern on the seven-period day, and felt this was something the Board needed to review. He noted many students are taking correspondence courses for the health curriculum, not as an opt out, but because they cannot fit it into their schedules. He noted the academically inclined students are hurt because of the number of classes they can take. He felt decisions to change to a six-period day have been made by the teachers with little input from the parents.

Mr. Thibodeau questioned if there was a time frame in which the Board needed to reconsider the hazardous bus routes. Mr. Dahlgren commented the bus routes will be established soon, however, hazardous busing does not alter the routes substantially. He noted additional buses are sometimes needed for the hazardous routes, but there is no specific bid date for these routes.

Mr. Thibodeau requested the administration look at similar scheduling in the central peninsula area.

Mr. Thibodeau complimented Dr. Bromenschenkel and the administration on the work accomplished on the School Based Decision Making Process booklet and the policy. He felt it was thoughtful and well presented.

BOARD COMMENTS (cont.):

Miss Baldwin commented she enjoyed serving on the school board and was most appreciative of the people who are involved in the process.

Miss Baldwin stated that of all the schedules she experienced during her high school career, she felt the seven-period schedule with six periods per day was the most satisfactory to students. She felt the floating hour benefited students by making the day go faster, increased opportunities for students, and allowed more learning time than in years past. She requested the Board seriously review this situation, and allow more school based decision making with more input from students and parents. She stated she would like to see this adjustment in the future.

Mrs. Obendorf told Board members their goal setting session would be for one day on June 19 at Skyview High School.

She commented she attended the District's Retirement Party which was very nice and made for a special evening for the retirees. She thanked the staff for arranging the event.

Mrs. Obendorf expressed concern about the seven-period day situation, but felt this was an issue given to school based decision making. She noted this would be discussed at the board's goal setting session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 10:50 p.m., Mr. Arness moved the Board go into executive session to discuss matters, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the Borough. Dr. Anderson seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 10:56 p.m., Dr. Anderson moved the executive session be adjourned. Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

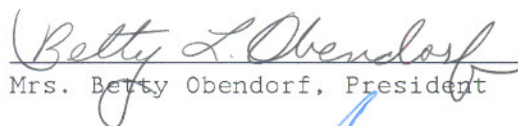
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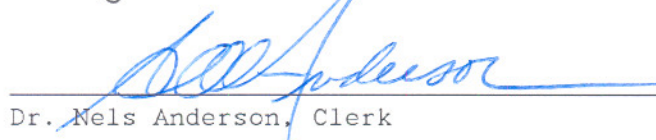
ADJOURN:

At 10:57 p.m., Dr. Anderson moved the School Board Meeting be adjourned. Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,


Mrs. Betty Obendorf, President


Dr. Nels Anderson, Clerk

The Minutes of June 12, 1995,
were approved on July 10, 1995,
with corrections.