

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

October 15, 2001

NEWS IN BRIEF

Oath of Office/New School Board Members: The Oath of Office was administered to newly elected School Board members Mrs. Sammy Crawford, Ms. Deborah Germano and Mrs. Margaret Gilman by Notary Public, Sally Tachick.

Reorganization of Board: The School Board Officers for the 2001-2002 school year are Dr. Nels Anderson, President; Ms. Deborah Germano, Vice President; Mrs. Sammy Crawford, Clerk; and Mr. Joe Arness, Treasurer.

Establish Meeting Date, Time and Place: The Board set its meeting time, date and place at 7:30 p. m., the first and third Monday of each month at the Borough Administration Building, Soldotna (unless otherwise noted). Two meetings are scheduled to be held in Homer and Seward in the fall and spring.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS: Commissioner Holloway presented the Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award to Mr. Bruce Rife, Soldotna High School science teacher. Ms. Tammie Anderson presented the British Petroleum Teacher of the Year award to Mr. Jerry Dixon, Seward Elementary teacher. The Board presented Golden Apple Awards to Mr. Clarence Duncan, Kenai Central High School custodian and Ms. René Henderson, Kenai Central High School music teacher for their many years of service to the District. The Board presented a Golden Apple Award to Mr. Rick Abbott, Spenard Builders Supply manager in appreciation for outstanding support for the District.

SCHOOL REPORTS: Mr. Maurice Glenn, Nanwalek Elementary/High School principal/teacher gave a computer-generated slide presentation showing pictures of the school and highlighting, staffing and programs. He summarized school projects which included oil spill remediation, new playground equipment, a multi-purpose room floor, village growth, student accomplishments and "School of Change." He stated that the school has a current enrollment of 70 and he anticipates continued growth over the next year. He attributed the school growth to families who are returning to the village to get away from large school problems such as drugs, alcohol and violence. He noted that parents also want to connect with their culture and heritage. Bilingual Education classes are offered. Mr. Glenn summarized student growth in reading and commended itinerant teachers for student success. He stated that the "School of Change" goals are to improve math, reading and writing performance; prepare students to have a productive future in society; and prepare students for the HSGQE.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Peterson stated that she will be giving several presentations

during the next few months; October 17 at the Kenai Chamber of Commerce, November 15 at the Nikiski Chamber of Commerce, November 20 at the Soldotna Chamber of Commerce, December 6 at the Homer Rotary Club. She reported that she attended the Alaska Superintendent Conference in Anchorage on October 5-6. She noted that the Administrator meeting is October 24.

Financial Report: Dr. Peterson presented the financial report of the District for the period ending September 30, 2001.

Budget Transfer Report: Dr. Peterson reported on budget transfers Numbers 1 through 62 for various schools and departments within the District.

Resolution Number 01-02-9, Purchase of Copiers: The Board unanimously approved Resolution 01-02-9 and requested that the Assembly approve debt issuance for the acquisition of copiers for the District.

Long-Term Substitute Teacher Contract: The Board unanimously approved a long-term substitute teaching contract for Debbie Brophy, special education/resource, Skyview High.

New Teacher Assignments: The Board unanimously approved a teacher assignment for the 2001-2002 school year for Katrina Adamson, (temporary) library/teacher at Soldotna Elementary (50%) and Grades 4-6 at Redoubt Elementary (50%).

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, November 5, 2001, 7:30 p.m., **Homer High School, Homer, Alaska.**

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