

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

March 15, 1993

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mrs. Betty Obendorf, President
Mrs. Marilyn Dimmick, Vice President
Mr. Michael Tauriainen, Clerk
Mr. Clifford Massie, Treasurer
Mr. Joe Arness, Member
Mrs. Mari-Anne Gross, Member
Mr. Michael Wiley, Member
Mr. Martin Jackson, Student Representative

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Robert Holmes, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. John Dahlgren, Associate Superintendent, Planning,
Operations, and Technology
Mrs. Mary Rubadeau, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional
Services
Mrs. Sharon Radtke, Executive Director, Personnel
Mr. Richard Swarner, Executive Director, Business Management

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ms. Sandra Watson	Mr. Ed Darling
Ms. Betty Leonard	Mr. Hal Smalley
Mr. Lee Stalker	Mrs. Nancy Rollins
Mrs. Janie Lawley	Mr. Pat Shields
Mrs. Sherril Miller	Mrs. Mary Armstrong
Mr. & Mrs. David Letzring	Mrs. Jeanne Jackinsky
Mrs. Sharon Mook	Mr. Mick Wykis
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Cochran	Mr. Robert Bellmore
Mrs. Karen Mahurin	
Others present not identified.	

CALL TO ORDER:

Mrs. Obendorf called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

WELCOME:

Mrs. Obendorf welcomed the Kenai Peninsula College ED 210 class to the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mrs. Obendorf invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Jeremy Meacham from Soldotna High School sang the National Anthem.

ROLL CALL:

Mrs. Betty Obendorf	Present
Mrs. Marilyn Dimmick	Present
Mr. Michael Tauriainen	Present
Mr. Clifford Massie	Present
Mr. Joe Arness	Present
Mrs. Mari-Anne Gross	Present
Mr. Michael Wiley	Present
Mr. Martin Jackson	Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was approved as printed.

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The School Board Minutes of March 1, 1993, were approved with a correction.
- AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS: Mrs. Obendorf presented Plaques of Appreciation to Jeanne Jackinsky, Head Secretary, Tustumena Elementary; and Robert Cochran, Vocational Teacher, Nikiski Elementary for their dedication to their schools and students.
- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Holmes expressed appreciation to the twenty-seven participants of the Strategic Planning process. He noted materials have been disseminated on the results of the three-day sessions. He also extended appreciation to Chris Monfor, Donna Peterson, and Mo Scott for their work in coordinating the activities for the sessions.
- He deferred his report on KPAA negotiations to the action section of the agenda.
- NIKISKI ELEMENTARY REPORT: Principal Betty Leonard, Nikiski Elementary, reported to the Board on activities occurring at her 30-year old school. She noted committees work within the school to develop programs on student self-esteem, behavior, themes, technology and mathematics. In addition to an intervention team, Friendly Connectors Program and student's connecting program, an active PTA supports student activities with a Friday Fun Night of games. She noted the PTA previously purchased playground equipment for the school and is considering beautification as its next project.
- FINANCIAL REPORT: Mr. Swarner presented the financial report of the district for the period ended February 28, 1993.
- CONSENT AGENDA: Items presented on the Consent Agenda were Approval of Sick Leave Bank Request/Support; Leave of Absence Request/Certified; and Resignations.
- SICK LEAVE REQUESTS/
SUPPORT: Mrs. Radtke recommended the Board approve draws from the KPESA Sick Leave Bank for Viki Searle, Head Secretary, Homer Junior High, 7 days; and Vicki Fullerton, Administrative Secretary, Districtwide, Special Services, 4 days.
- LEAVE OF ABSENCE/
CERTIFIED: Mrs. Radtke recommended the Board approve an unpaid leave of absence for the 1993-94 school year for Melissa Frates, Special Education/Severe, Kenai Middle School.
- RESIGNATIONS: Mrs. Radtke recommended the Board approve resignations effective the end of the 1992-93 school year for Mary Porter, Occupational Therapist, Soldotna Elementary; and Carol Musson, Grade 1, Soldotna Elementary.

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ACTION Mr. Massie moved the Board approve Consent Agenda Items #1 through #3. Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

SUMMER SCHOOL GRANT APPLICATION: Mrs. Rubadeau recommended the Board approve the Chapter I-M Migrant Education Summer School Project application in the amount of \$77,473. Ms. Sandra Watson, program coordinator, responded to questions from board members related to equipment purchases and number of students attending the summer school program.

ACTION Mrs. Dimmick moved the Board approve the Migrant Summer School grant application. Mr. Wiley seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

**POLICY REVISION/
 003.121R/FIELD TRIPS:** Mrs. Rubadeau presented revised Policy 003.121R, Field Trips. She commented the policy was revised to include a section on field trips abroad and new language pertaining to chaperones.

Mr. Tauriainen noted that Canada had been added to extended field trips/out of state, and questioned the distinction to not be included in field trips abroad. Mrs. Rubadeau responded that Canada was not included in field trips abroad due to the distinction on needs for health care and insurance coverage because of aviation and nautical standards traveling abroad. She noted students often travel to Canada for athletic events and the regulations for traveling abroad did not apply to Canadian travel.

Mr. Smalley, Kenai teacher, questioned whether there was any control over boat captains or pilots in foreign countries as noted in items #2 of these sections, or whether the wording "or the equivalent" should be added to the policy. Mrs. Rubadeau responded a new section had been added to each of these areas that all commercial boats/aircraft must meet international nautical/aircraft standards.

ACTION Mr. Massie moved the Board approve revised Policy 003.121R, Field Trips. Mrs. Gross seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS LIST: Mr. Dahlgren recommended the Board approve a listing of capital improvements which would be submitted to the Borough Assembly for funding. The projects listed were: Skyview High gym floor replacement, \$150,000; Nikiski High gym floor replacement, \$150,000; and English Bay tank farm piping. He stated all projects were recommended for safety reasons. He noted the Skyview floor had been re-coated in an effort to alleviate the problems there. However, this effort was not successful and it was his recommendation that the gym floors at Skyview and Nikiski high schools be replaced. He commented it was apparent the problem involved materials used to construct the floors, and the manufacturer has since gone out of business. The one-year warranty on the projects has expired. He noted currently two types of floors are being considered as replacement for the parquet floor currently in place.

Mr. Arness commented that he felt the cost for re-piping at English Bay seemed excessive. Mr. Stalker responded that all piping will be replaced and excavation through a roadway will be necessary.

ACTION Mr. Wiley moved the Board approve the capital improvement projects recommended by Mr. Dahlgren. Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

1993-94 TENTATIVE TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS: Mrs. Radtke recommended the following teachers returning from leave of absences be added to the 1993-94 tentative teacher list:

Mt. View Elementary
 Judy Olson

Paul Banks Elementary
 Kay Watts

ACTION Mrs. Gross moved the Board approve the tentative tenure teacher assignments as recommended by Mrs. Radtke. Mrs. Dimmick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR ASSIGNMENTS/
 1993/94: Dr. Holmes recommended the Board approve the appointment of Carlton Kuhn as principal at Nikolaevsk Elem/High; and Richard Krieger as principal at Homer High for the 1993-94 school year.

ACTION Mrs. Gross moved the Board approve the administrator assignments as presented. Mrs. Dimmick seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

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OPEN KPAA NEGOTIATIONS:

Dr. Holmes recommended the Board postpone this item indefinitely until a specific date is mutually determined with KPAA.

ACTION

Mrs. Dimmick moved the Board postpone indefinitely the formal opening of negotiations with KPAA. Mr. Massie seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Pat Shields, Tustumena PTA Chairperson, extended appreciation to Mrs. Jackinsky on her receiving a Plaque of Appreciation from the Board. He noted she is a "silent" servant in their school and is very much appreciated. He stated he was alarmed that no funds were available for a much needed addition at Tustumena Elementary with students now housed in old portables while requests are being made to rebuild gymnasium floors and tracks. He requested that efforts be made to require contractors to be more accountable for these projects.

BOARD COMMENTS:

Board members and the student representative extended their personal appreciation to Mrs. Jackinsky for the extra efforts and friendliness she has exhibited throughout the years she has served as head secretary at Tustumena Elementary School.

Mr. Massie commented that the Technical Preparation Program is operating smoothly under Fred Esposito's direction, particularly in the Seward area. He requested the Board hold a brief worksession on April 19 related to this program.

Mrs. Gross stated she was pleased to have been part of the Strategic Planning process and commended the administration for selecting such a diverse group of people who contributed excellent ideas to the process. She felt the tech. prep. program leaned towards some of the ideas expressed during the sessions.

Mr. Jackson announced Skyview High School placed second in Mock Trial competitions this past week. He noted Soldotna High School's swing choir will be leaving for Russia this week. He stated Skyview High's choir and band are in Australia and New Zealand. Two skiers from Skyview High have gone to national competition.

BOARD COMMENTS (cont.):

Mrs. Dimmick commented that when she and Mrs. Obendorf are together eating at a local restaurant following school board meetings they are not conducting school board business. Therefore, they are not in violation of the Open Meetings Law.

Mrs. Obendorf received Board concurrence for her to serve as the Board's representative on a student trip to Japan at the end of May. She noted she would be paying her own travel expenses for the trip.

She stated she was proud of the product which resulted from the Strategic Planning process. She felt the district was now in a position to set its course for the future. She commended Dr. Holmes on the selection of participants who contributed to the process.

Mrs. Obendorf commented she and Mr. Wiley traveled to Beluga and Tyonek last week. She stated visiting both schools was very interesting.

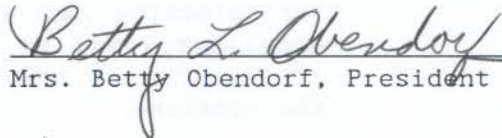
Mrs. Obendorf announced the next School Board Meeting will be held in Homer on April 5, 1993.

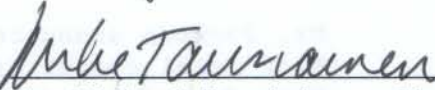
ADJOURN:

At 8:38 p.m., Mrs. Dimmick moved the School Board Meeting be adjourned. Mr. Arness seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,


Mrs. Betty Obendorf, President


Mr. Michael Tauriainen, Clerk

The Minutes of March 15, 1993,
were approved on April 5, 1993,
as written.