

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

148 N. Binkley Street
Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

April 16, 2001

NEWS IN BRIEF

SCHOOL REPORTS: Ms. Carolyn Cannava, Soldotna Elementary principal, provided a brief history of the school. She noted that the 2000-2001 school goal is to focus on comprehensive literacy for each student. She announced that the Title I Program assists at-risk students in grades K-2 after school, and the grant-funded Read 180 Program assists at-risk students in grades 4-6 before school. She reported that the After the Bell Program provides after school tutoring and fun activities for students, and the Foster Grandparent Program provides a caring senior citizen who works one-to-one with students in reading. Mrs. Patty Rich, custodian, told the Board of her involvement with students in the area of reading. Ms. Marti Shirley, PTA president, reported on PTA activities such as providing books for the summer remedial program, sponsoring the Bingo for Books evening, providing money to support the schoolwide reading program, and sponsoring the annual book fair. Several teachers each explained the learning activities used in their classrooms to teach reading and writing. Mrs. Yvonne Emery concluded the report by directing students in a song titled, "I Believe in Me."

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS: The Board presented a golden apple to Mr. Phil Biggs, technology specialist, for his large contribution to the advancement of technology in the District.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Peterson announced that Mr. Hickey is traveling to Juneau to testify on legislation regarding bond reimbursement. She noted that Mrs. Douglas was replacing Mr. Hickey at the Board meeting. She announced that the next Joint Technology Work Group meeting will be April 30 at 10:00 a.m. in the Borough Administration building. She noted that Seward Elementary's "Flat Stanley" will be included in the space shuttle scheduled to launch on Thursday, April 19.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Mrs. Douglas presented the financial report of the District for the period ending March 31, 2001.

BUDGET TRANSFERS: Mrs. Douglas reported on budget transfers Numbers 140 through 315 for various schools and departments within the District.

Resolution 00-01-11: The Board unanimously approved Resolution 00-01-11 in support of a paved extension to East End Road.

Budget Transfer Number 332: The Board unanimously approved budget transfer Number 332, which transfers \$10,000 to cover increased food costs for the Homer High regional kitchen.

Resignations: The Board unanimously approved resignations effective the end of the 2000-2001

school year for Jeffrey Smith, special education/resource, West Homer Elementary; Sharon Fraley, special education/resource, Seward Elementary; Nancy Boehmer, special education/resource, Redoubt Elementary; Jill Singleton, generalist, Tebughna School; Steve Ratzlaff, generalist, Kenai Alternative School; and Laura Bruck, English, Susan B. English Elementary/High.

Leave of Absence Requests – Certified: The Board unanimously approved unpaid leave of absence requests for the 2001-02 school year for Stephanie Kind, language arts, Kenai Central High and for Jacqueline Bock, special education/preschool, Sears Elementary.

Leave of Absence Request – Support: The Board unanimously approved a request for a one-year unpaid leave of absence for the 2001-2002 school year for Faith Hays, cashier, Tustumena Elementary and for Gail Thomas, nurse, Homer Area.

Resolution 00-01-12: The Board unanimously approved Resolution 00-01-12 in support of increased funding for education.

Long Range Plan: The Board approved the Long Range Plan, which includes a mission statement, guiding principals and goals for the next five years.

Approval of Student Expulsion: The Board unanimously approved the expulsion of a Skyview High School student for violating Alaska Statute AS 14.03.160 and Board Policy 5131.7, Weapons and Dangerous Instruments.

APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENT: The Board unanimously approved the appointment Mr. Bradley Drake as principal/teacher of Tebughna School.

FIRST READING OF POLICY REVISIONS: The Board heard a first reading of BP 4111.2, 4211.2 and 4311.2, Legal Status Requirement; 4115, Evaluation/Supervision; BP 4119.12, Harassment; and BP 4300, Management and Supervisory Personnel: Definitions.

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

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