

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

148 N. Binkley Street  
Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

November 18, 2002

NEWS IN BRIEF

**SCHOOL REPORT:** Mr. Paul Sorenson, Kenai Middle School principal, reported that the school has been experiencing declining enrollment for several years and noted that the projected enrollment for next year is 355 students. He reported that the school goals are to improve math computation skills and improve attendance. He reported that the entire staff has been integrating math concepts into the curriculum. He stated that the school contacts parents when students are tardy or absent. He gave a brief overview of the enrichment programs available at the school (after school tutor program, summer school program, Gear Up Reading Program, learning opportunity grants, success program, reading enrichment, grade level intervention teams, Student Assistance Program, Kenaitze Indian Tutor Program, and Title IX.) Mrs. Jean Dixon explained that the eighth grade leadership class provides students with a foundation to build a positive, safe, and healthy environment at school and in the community. Leadership students Mr. Adam Demello, Miss Elizabeth Perkins, Mr. Dustin Ward, and Miss Hannah Watkins explained that the class is based on the Character Counts Program. They reported that the leadership class has planned activities for 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, operated the districtwide book fair, sponsored two activity nights, created rules and hosted dances for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, assisted with the PTA barbecue, organized a spirit assembly, cleaned and remodeled the trophy case as well as many other activities.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Dr. Peterson reported that Dr. Whiteley is attending the State Technical Review Committee meeting. She reported that during the 2002-2003 school year the District has hired 94 support employees, processed 65 support transfers/changes, accepted 18 support resignations or requests to retire, granted 10 support employees leaves of absence, and conducted three substitute trainings for 75 new substitutes. She reported that Mrs. Mullins was selected as the Association of Alaska School Board's Board Member of the Year.

**ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT AND FY02 FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** Mrs. Douglas presented the District 2002 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Letter to Management and the Federal and State Single Audit Reports from Mikunda, Cottrell and Company and the FY02 Financial Statement.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mrs. Douglas presented the District financial report for the period ending October 31, 2002.

**SIX-YEAR ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS AND PLANS:** Mr. Syverson presented the Six-Year Enrollment Projections and Plan for the school years 2002-2003 through 2008-2009.

**REQUEST FOR FUNDS FOR KACHEMAK SELO FACILITY EXPANSION:** The Board tabled this item.

**REQUEST TO RENAME SEWARD HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL FIELD:** The Board unanimously approved a request to rename the Seward High School Ball Field to the Jon Perry Ball Field.

**2003-2004 CERTIFIED STAFFING FORMULA:** The Board approved the 2003-2004 Certified Staffing Formula.

**2003-2004 SUPPORT STAFFING FORMULA:** The Board unanimously approved the 2003-2004 Classified Staffing Formula.

**POLICY MANUAL REVISIONS TO SECTION 9000, BOARD BYLAWS:** The Board approved revisions to BB 9000, Role of Board and Members (powers, purposes, duties); BB 9010, Public Statements; BB 9011, Confidential Information; BB 9110, Board Membership; BB 9120, Officers and Auxiliary Personnel; BB 9121, President; BB 9122, Vice President; BB 9123, Treasurer; BB 9124, Clerk; BB 9130, Board Subcommittees; BB 9230, Orientation; BB 9240, Board Development; BB 9250, Compensation, Reimbursement, Other Benefits; BB 9271, Code of Ethics; BB 9310, Policy Manual; BB 9311, Board Policies; BB 9312, Board Bylaws; BB 9313, Administrative Regulations; BB 9314, Suspension of Policies, Bylaws, Administrative Regulations; BB 9320, Meetings (includes posting requirements); BB 9322, Agenda/Meeting Materials; BB 9323, Meeting Conduct; BB 9324, Board Minutes; and BB 9400, Board Self-Evaluation.

**FIRST READING OF POLICY REVISIONS:** The Board heard a first reading of BP 3313, Contracts, Leases and Agreements.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, December 2, 2002, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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