
Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

Board of Education Meeting News In Brief

November 3, 2003 – 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

Homer High School – 600 E. Fairview

Homer, Alaska

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS: The Board presented Golden Apple awards to Virginia Espenshade and Paul Gavenus for their volunteer service to the District.

SCHOOL REPORTS: Mr. Dick Sander, Chapman Elementary principal, provided a Powerpoint presentation with the assistance of Miss Jordan Holmes, student body president. The report provided information on school activities, assessment information, programs and goals.

Ms. Karen Wessel, Homer Flex principal, provided a Powerpoint presentation with the assistance of Ms. Jill Sill, Career Development Coordinator and Mr. Ron Bledsoe, student. The report provided information regarding the student career exploration program.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Peterson reported that she participated in a conversation with the state commissioner's office regarding the state's request for proposal to provide statewide assessment. She noted that state auditors recently completed an audit of the District Pupil Services programs and added that she is pleased with preliminary outcome. She reported that she was a participant in a study group that traveled to Fort McMurry, Canada to gather information regarding the Arctic Winter Games. She noted that the District will be responsible for accommodating 2,400 athletes, coaches, and medical staff when the Kenai Peninsula hosts the games in two years. She reported that Ms. Douglas has been elected to be the Vice President of the Association of School Business Officials International.

New Teacher Assignments: The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for the 2003-2004 school year for Catherine J. Baber, K-8 teacher, Cooper Landing Elementary; Kevin Marley, special education/emotionally handicapped, Nikiski Middle/High; Christine L. Faber, special education/resource, Paul Banks Elementary; Karlene D. Meyers, Grade 6 teacher (temporary), Soldotna Elementary; and Allison Morgan, special education teacher (temporary), Soldotna Middle School.

Resignation: The Board unanimously approved a resignation from Barbara K. Titus, Grades K-3, Port Graham Elementary/High (effective November 24, 2003).

Nikiski Elementary Facility Recommendation: The Board unanimously approved a recommendation to surplus the Nikiski Elementary School facility on August 31, 2004 with the stipulation that the Borough Administration grant the School District the right to reoccupy the building in the following 24 months should there be a significant increase in the area student population.

Enrollment Projections for 2004-2005: The Board approved the enrollment projection of 9,392 students districtwide for FY05.

STUDENT EXPULSION: The Board unanimously approved the expulsion of a student for the

remainder of the 2003-2004 school year for violation of BP 3522.6 Violent and Aggressive Conduct and BP 5145.7 Sexual Harassment.

Federal and State Priorities: The Board unanimously approved a list of 2004 state and federal legislative priorities.

FIRST READING OF POLICY REVISIONS: The Board heard a first reading of revisions to BP 2000 (Concepts and Roles); BP 2100 (Administrative Staff Organization); BP 2110 (Organization Chart/Lines of Responsibility); BP 2121 (Superintendent's Contract); E 2122 (Superintendent of Schools: Job Description); BP 2210 (Administrative Action in Absence of Board Policy); E 2240 (Management and Communication Systems); BP 2250 (Teacher-in-Charge/Principal's Designee); E 2250 (Teacher-in-Charge/Principal's Designee); BP 2300 (Conflict of Interest); E 3316 (Request to do Business); BB 9110 (Board Membership); BB 9130 (Board Committees); and BB 9320 (Meetings).

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, November 17, 2003, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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