
Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

Board of Education Meeting News In Brief

December 1, 2003 – 7:30 p.m.
Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

Borough Administration Building - 148 N. Binkley
Soldotna, Alaska

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS: The Board presented Golden Apple awards to Judge Charles Cranston, community volunteer; Mrs. Connie Jung, KCHS school secretary; Mrs. Connie Meyer, speech pathologist; and Mrs. Lassie Nelson, Central Office administrative secretary, for their service to the District. Ms. Germano presented a certificate on behalf of the Association of Alaska School Boards to Mr. Patrick Tilbury, student representative, for successful completion of the Youth Institute Training.

SCHOOL REPORT: Mr. Dennis Dunn, Kenai Central High principal, noted that the school goal is to decrease the number of students on the ineligibility list (those who are failing classes) and to improve parent involvement. He presented a video infomercial created by students. The choir sang, *Sleep Little Holy Child*, accompanied on the keyboard by Ms. Reneé Henderson, choir teacher.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Peterson noted that Mrs. Lassie Nelson is being cross-trained to act as a back up for the board secretary. She noted that the Administrator Meeting is December 3 at the Kenai Merit Inn. She reported that she currently has completed 22 school building visits as well as a visit with the Seward Schools Site Council.

Long Term Substitute Teacher Contracts: The Board unanimously approved substitute teacher contracts for Tony Jackson, speech, Nikiski Elementary; Sherry Nauta, Grades 1/2, Nikiski Elementary; and William Rolph, social studies, Soldotna Middle School.

Resignation: The Board unanimously approved a resignation from Jill Showman, Voznesenka School, (currently on an unpaid leave of absence for the 2003-2004 school year).

New Teacher Assignment: The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for Tina M. Skaalerud, special education/resource, Soldotna Elementary.

KPSAA Hearing Decision: The Board unanimously approved the reversal of a KPSAA decision regarding the suspension of a student from cocurricular activities.

Policy revisions (various): The Board unanimously approved revisions to BP 5030 (School Discipline and Safety), BP 5125 (Student Records), BP 5145.2 (Freedom of Speech/Expression), BP 4131 (Staff Development), BP 5111 (Admission), BP 5125.1 (Release of Directory Information), BP 5127 (Graduation Ceremonies and Activities), BP 5141.3 (Health Examinations), BP 5131 (Conduct), BP 6141.2 (Recognition of Religious Beliefs and Customs), BP 6164.2 (Guidance and Counseling Services). The Board unanimously approved an amendment to BP 6164.2 (Guidance and Counseling Services).

FIRST READING OF POLICY REVISIONS: The Board heard a first reading of BP 6146.1 (Graduation Requirements).

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, January 5, 2004, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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