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# Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

## Board of Education Meeting News In Brief

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September 13, 2004 - 7:00 p.m.  
Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

Borough Administration Building - 148 N. Binkley  
Soldotna, Alaska

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**SUPERINTENDENT's report:** Dr. Peterson announced that the Districtwide Student Council Meeting will be held on September 20, the Administrator Meeting will be held on September 16 at Solid Rock and the topic will be Safe and Orderly Schools; and the Site Council and Parent Training will be held on September 29 at the Kenai River Center. She urged the Board to read the book titled, "The Primal Teen". She reminded those present to vote on October 5. She asked for Board appointments to the KPSAA Executive Board, the Physical Education Committee, the Career Technical Education Committee, and the Budget Review Committee. She reported that she has been visiting schools and that the administration has been in two-thirds of the District classrooms. She noted that currently the enrollment is above the projection.

**Financial Report:** Mrs. Douglas presented the financial report of the District for the period ending July 31, 2004.

**Budget Transfer:** The Board unanimously approved budget transfer Number 13 to purchase computer software for Skyview High School (\$14,615), Kenai Central High School (\$16,627), and Soldotna High School (\$11,196). The Board approved an amended budget transfer Number 33 move the Project GRAD funds to the unallocated account for future staffing needs.

**Nontenured Teaching Assignments:** The Board unanimously approved tentative nontenure teacher assignments for Erik P. Larson, special education/resource teacher, Kenai Middle School; Kristine Barnes, Grade 6 teacher, Nikiski North Star Elementary; Breta Brown, (.25 FTE permanent/.25 FTE temporary) math teacher, Nikiski Middle/High; RaeEllen Kurzendoerfer, special education resource teacher, Nikiski Middle/High; Audra McCubbins, kindergarten teacher (temporary), Sears Elementary; and Galen Brantley, social studies/language arts teacher (.25 permanent/.40 FTE temporary), Soldotna High School.

**New Teacher Assignments:** The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for the 2004-2005 school year for Gordon Pitzman, Spanish/social studies teacher (temporary) at Homer High School; Mathew R. Winbigler, physical sciences/math teacher (temporary) at Kenai Central High; Lindsay L. Erber, Grades K-6/Title I (.50 FTE permanent/.50FTE temporary) teacher, at Nanwalek School; Rebecca McKinley, secondary generalist at Nanwalek Elementary/High; Merlin L. Cordes, generalist (.50 FTE temporary) at Nikolaevsk School; Michael S. Gullett, interim social studies/generalist teacher at Nikolaevsk School; Tyler M. Schlung, social studies teacher (temporary .50 FTE) at Ninilchik School; Terese L. Amos, school psychologist, districtwide K-12, Pupil Services; Daniel N. Kaasa, special education/assistive technology/augmentative communication specialist, districtwide, Pupil Services; Robert G. Vernon, special education/occupational therapist, districtwide, Pupil Services; Ingrid McKinstry, Title 1 teacher (.50 FTE temporary) at Razdolna School; Barbara Baldwin, Title I teacher (.50 FTE temporary) at Redoubt Elementary; Maryellen Dalberg, Title I teacher (.50 FTE temporary) at Seward Elementary; Mark Woodward, Middle School language arts/social studies at Seward Middle/High School; Diane Bernard, Title I reading teacher (temporary) at Soldotna Elementary; Alissa N. Mattson, language arts teacher at Soldotna High School; Donna Huguelet, special education teacher, intensive needs

at Soldotna Middle School; Ryan D. Geagel, elementary generalist (temporary) at Tebughna; Elizabeth VonZiegesar-Whip, librarian (.50 FTE temporary), West Homer Elementary; Linda M. Etwiler, Title I/migrant teacher (temporary) at Voznesenka School.

**Resignations:** The Board unanimously approved resignations from Roy Anderson, director, Pupil Services (effective at the end of the 2004-2005 school year); Alexei Basargin (currently on approved leave of absence for the 2004-2005 school year, Nikolaevsk School (effective September 13, 2004); and Kari Cook, occupational therapist, Sears Elementary (effective immediately).

**Request for Leave of Absence Support:** The Board unanimously approved an unpaid leave of absence request for ConnieJo Hulse, food service driver, Kenai Central High (effective September 20, 2004 to November 1, 2004).

**Administrator Appointment:** The Board unanimously approved the appointment of Connie Miller as Bilingual Program Manager.

**Nontenure Teacher for Tenure:** The Board unanimously approved Matthew Faris, a tentative nontenured teacher, for tenure.

**Name Change for Homer Aquatic Center:** The Board unanimously approved a request to change the name of the Homer Aquatic Center to "The Kate Kuhns Aquatic Center".

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE - CERTIFIED:** The Board unanimously approved military leave of absence requests for Ken Felchle and Troy Zimmerman, effective September 24, 2004.

**AASB CORE RESOLUTIONS:** The Board approved the AASB recommendations to the 2004 Core Resolutions. Amendments were approved for 2.5 and 2.21. The Board did not support AASB recommendations for 1.2 and 1.3.

**AASB NoMINATION:** The Board unanimously approved the nomination of Sammy Crawford for election to the AASB Board of Directors.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, October 4, 2004, 7:00 p.m., at **Homer High School, Homer, Alaska.**

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