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# Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

## Board of Education Meeting News In Brief

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October 4, 2004 – 7:00 p.m.

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

**Homer High School**

600 E. Fairview Ave., Homer, Alaska

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**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:** The Board presented Golden Apple awards to Ms. Tonia Parlow and Mr. Bob Simcoe, for their service to the District. Ms. Acela Carr was not present but also received a Golden Apple award.

The Board presented the National Blue Ribbon award to Mr. Pete Swanson and staff members who accepted on behalf of McNeil Canyon Elementary School community.

**SCHOOL REPORTS:** Mr. Glen Szymoniak, Homer Middle principal, introduced students, Clinton Edminster, Dylan Hitchcock-Lopez, Grace Harrison, David Buckley, Holly Dickson, Piper Daugharty, Patrick Schneider, who presented a computer-generated slide show that highlighted the school activities, field trips, sports programs, Project Adventure, music program, Husky Olympics, special activities and special guests.

Ray Hillman, Razdolna School principal, presented a computer-generated slide show highlighting school programs, long range student planning, the facility, technology assisted learning, the Title I Program, Project GRAD Program, the library, community involvement, Annual Yearly Progress information, assessment scores and student awards.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Dr. Peterson reported on the change in the budget development and review process. She reported that the parent training was recently held including over 30 people representing 25 schools and all District communities. She noted that the group will reconvene in January to discuss legislative priorities. She reported that the Artic Winter Games International Committee will be in the District on October 13 through 16 to visit schools. She reported that Mr. Ken Meyer, US Department of Education representative, visited the District on September 23 to present the National Blue Ribbon Award and the American Star of Teaching Award.

**FY04 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report:** Mrs. Douglas presented the FY04 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

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

**Resolution 04-05-1:** The Board unanimously approved a list of primary and alternative members in charge of gaming for those schools applying for gaming permits for 2004-2005.

**HSGQE Waiver Request:** The Board unanimously approved High School Graduation Qualifying Exam Waiver Request Number #2005-1.

**Appointment of Student Representative to the Board of Education:** The Board unanimously approved the appointment of Mr. DJ Tyson, a Kenai Central High School student, as the student representative to the Board of Education.

**Tentative Nontenure Teaching Assignment:** The Board unanimously approved a tentative nontenure teacher assignment for the 2004-2005 school year for Stephanie Zuniga, Pupil Services, Teacher-Facilitator Gifted for the Homer Area.

**New Teacher Assignments:** The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for Nancy Kleine, (temporary) Connections Teacher .50FTE/ATOSS Facilitator .50FTE for the Homer Area; Zada Friedersdorff,

Grade 6, Redoubt Elementary; Jennifer Tyler, special education/intensive needs teacher at Soldotna Middle School; and Tamara Johnson, (.50FTE permanent/.50 FTE temporary) Grades K through 6/Title I teacher at Susan B English School.

**Request for Leave of Absence-Support:** The Board unanimously approved a request for unpaid leave of absence for the remainder of the 2004-2005 school year for Jan L. Stephens, custodian, Kenai Central High (effective immediately).

**Resignation:** The Board unanimously approved a resignation effective at the end of the 2004-2005 school year from Rick McCrum, Program Coordinator, Pupil Services.

**Termination:** The Board unanimously approved the termination of an employee for expiration of Alaska Teaching Certificate.

**Long-Term Substitute Teacher Contract:** The Board unanimously approved a substitute teacher contract for Roger Steinbrecher, social studies and physical education, Seward High School.

**Administrator Appointment:** The Board unanimously approved the appointment of C. Craig Johnson as principal/teacher at Susan B. English Elementary/High.

**HSGQE Waiver Request:** The Board unanimously approved High School Graduation Qualifying Exam Waiver Request Number #2005-2.

**Nontenure Teachers for Tenure:** The Board unanimously approved John DeVolld, Gary Blount, and Mary Alice Blount, nontenured teachers, for tenure.

**KPSAA Handbook Revisions:** The Board unanimously approved revisions to the elementary, middle and high school KPSAA handbooks.

**Resolution 04-05-2:** The Board unanimously approved Resolution 04-05-2, Support of Cocurricular Activities.

**FIRST READING OF POLICY REVISIONS:** The Board heard a first reading of revisions to BB 9270, Conflict of Interest; BP 5000, Concepts and Roles; BP 5021, Access to Students by Noncustodial Parent; BP 5030, School Discipline and Safety; BP 5040, Parent/Student Handbook; AR 5040, Student Handbook; BP 5111, Admission; AR 5111, Admission; BP 5111.2, Foreign Exchange Programs; BP 5112.1, Exemptions from Attendance; AR 5112.1, Exemptions From Attendance; BP 5112.2, Exclusions from Attendance; AR 5112.2, Exclusions from Attendance; BP 5112.6, Education for Homeless Children and Youths.; AR 5112.6, Education for Homeless Children and Youths; BP 5113, Absences and Excuses; AR 5113, Absences and Excuses; BP 5116, School Attendance Boundaries; AR 5118, Transfers; BP 5119, Access to District Schools by Private School, Correspondence and other Programs; AR 5119, Access to District Schools by Private School, Correspondence and other Programs; BP 5121, Assessment (Evaluation of Student Achievement); BP 5123, Promotion/Acceleration/Retention; AR 5123, Promotion/Acceleration/Retention; BP 5124, Communication with Parents/Guardians; BP 5125, Student Records; AR 5125, Student Records; BP 5125.1, Release of Directory Information; BP 5125.2, Challenging Student Records; BP 5125.3, Withholding Grades, Diplomas, Transcripts; BP 5126, Awards and Achievements; BP 5127, Graduation Ceremonies and Activities; BP 5131, Conduct; AR 5131, Conduct; BP 5131.1, Bus Conduct; AR 5131.1, Bus Conduct; BP 5131.5, Vandalism, Theft, and Graffiti; BP 5131.6, Alcohol and Other Drugs; BP 5131.62, Tobacco; BP 5131.7, Weapons and Dangerous Instruments; AR 5131.7, Weapons and Dangerous Instruments; BP 5134, Student Production of Services and Materials; BP 5137, Positive School Climate; BP 5141, Health Care and Emergencies; BP 5141.21, Administering Medication; AR 5141.21, Administering Medication; BP 5141.22, Infectious Diseases; AR 5141.22, Infectious Diseases; BP 5141.23, Infectious Disease Prevention; AR 5141.23, Infectious Disease Prevention; BP 5141.3, Health Examinations; BP 5141.31, Immunizations; BP 5141.4, Child Abuse and Neglect; AR 5141.4, Child Abuse and Neglect; BP 5142, Safety; AR 5142, Safety; BP 5144, Discipline; AR 5144, Discipline; BP 5144.1, Suspension and Expulsion; AR 5144.1, Suspension and Expulsion; BP 5144.11, Due Process; AR 5144.11, Due Process; AR 5144.2, Suspension and Expulsion of (Individuals with Exceptional Needs); BP 5145.11, Questioning and Apprehension; BP 5145.12, Search and Seizure; AR 5145.12, Search and

Seizure; BP 5145.2, Freedom of Speech/Expression; AR 5145.2, Freedom of Speech/Expression; BP 5145.31, Student in Transition (Homelessness); BP 5145.7, Sexual Harassment; AR 5145.7, Sexual Harassment; and BP 5146, Married/Pregnant/ Parenting Students.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, October 18, 2004, 7:00 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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