## Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education Meeting News In Brief

February 2, 2004 – 7:30 p.m. Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent Borough Administration Building - 148 N. Binkley Soldotna, Alaska

**SCHOOL REPORT:** Mr. John Pothast, Skyview High School principal, presented a student-created video, featuring students, the facility, cocurricular activities, mentorship activities, and After The Bell Program. The Swing Choir concluded the report by singing "You Don't Know What You've Got Until It's Gone", and "Your Momma Don't Dance and Your Daddy Don't Rock and Roll."

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Dr. Peterson reminded those present that there will be a joint meeting of the Borough Assembly and School Board on February 3 at 10:00 a.m. She stated that state legislators want to hear from parents and recommended to those interested to provide testimony at the Kenai Legislative Information Office on Tuesday, February 3 at 11:00 a.m. and on Thursday, February 5 at 12:30 p.m. She noted that February is School Board Recognition month and thanked the Board for their service. Dr. Peterson presented a report of the progress to date on the 2003-2004 Board goals and provided information of interest regarding superintendent activities.

**School Consolidation Report:** Dr. Peterson presented the School Consolidation Report which provides an administrative response to the Budget Review Committee's suggestion to consolidate schools throughout the District.

**Financial Report:** Mrs. Douglas presented the financial report of the District for the period ending December 31, 2003.

**Quarterly Budget Transfer Report:** Mrs. Douglas reported on quarterly budget transfers Numbers 48 through 132 for various schools and departments within the District.

**Budget Transfer:** The Board unanimously approved budget transfer Number 137 in the amount of \$162,700 to pay for costs of contracted services for positions the Pupil Services Department has been unable to fill (psychologist, occupational therapist, physical therapist).

**Middle School Eligibility for Co-Curricular Activities:** The Board postponed action indefinitely on a proposed language change to the KPSAA middle school eligibility policy.

**New Teacher Assignments:** The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for the 2003-2004 school year for Audrey M. Kepp, secondary generalist (temporary), Nanwalek School and Letha W. Sumpter, Grade 3 teacher (temporary), Port Graham Elementary/High

**Requests for Leave of Absence-Support:** The Board unanimously approved requests for unpaid leave of absence for the remainder of the 2003-2004 school year for Shirley Chihuly, Title I/ Migrant tutor, Ninilchik Elementary/High and Maria Martushev, bilingual instructor, Voznesenka School.

Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan: The Board unanimously approved the six-year plan and

major maintenance/capital improvements projects list for the 2003-2004 school year.

**AR 6146.7 (Waivers to the High School Graduation Qualifying Exam):** The Board unanimously approved the adoption of AR 6146.7 (Waivers to the High School Graduation Qualifying Exam) which addresses the procedures for granting waivers to the High School Graduation Qualifying Exam.

AR 5125 (Student Records): The Board removed this item from the agenda.

**Northern Lights Charter School:** The Board postponed action on an application from Northern Lights Charter School to establish a new charter school in the District.

**Kaleidoscope School of Arts and Sciences Charter School:** The Board unanimously approved an application from Kaleidoscope School of Arts and Sciences Charter School to establish a new charter school in the District for a five-year period.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, February 16, 2004, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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