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

April 19, 2004 – 7:30 p.m. Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent Borough Administration Building - 148 N. Binkley Soldotna, Alaska

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS: The Board presented a Golden Apple award to Palmer Bailey for his volunteer service to the Nikolaevsk Elementary/High School.

SCHOOL REPORT: Mr. Tim Jacobson, Nikolaevsk Elementary/High teacher, introduced Miss Sara Bailey and Mr. Anecta Kalugin and credited them with the creation of the presentation video, which highlighted the school demographics, programs, courses, goals, student activities, student council, assessment information, and staff.

The Soldotna Elementary Tone Chime Bell Choir played two songs under the direction of Ms. Erin Southwick. Mrs. Carolyn Cannava, Soldotna Elementary principal, gave a PowerPoint presentation that highlighted the facility, its special features and the additions to it. Ms. Southwick explained techniques used in teaching music and reading and related them to higher assessment scores.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Peterson reported that she attended the Masonic awards ceremony on April 15. She announced that the Caring for the Kenai presentations will be given on Friday, April 23 at 6:00 p.m. in the Kenai Central High School Little Theater. She reported that Ms. Donna Foxley, representative from the U.S. Office of the Secretary of Education, will shadow her on May 3 and 4 to see how the District delivers education to students on the Peninsula. She stated that she will escort Ms. Foxley to as many schools as possible in two days.

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

Quarterly Budget Transfer Report: Mrs. Douglas reported on third quarter budget transfers Numbers 133 through 298 for various schools and departments within the District

Recommendation for Tenure: The Board unanimously approved Louise Heite, a tentative nontenured teacher. for tenure.

Nontenure Teaching Assignment: The Board unanimously approved a nontenure teacher assignment for the 2004-2005 school year for Lois Bisset, Soldotna Middle, special education/intensive needs.

Long-Term Substitute Teacher Contracts: The Board unanimously approved long-term substitute teacher contracts for Megan Wohlers, special education/intensive needs, K-Beach Elementary; Kelly Johnson, Title I teacher, North Star Elementary; and Rita Geller, physical education, Soldotna Middle School.

Resignations: The Board unanimously approved resignations (effective at the end of the 2003-2004 school year) from Yvonne A. Emery, music, Redoubt Elementary; Virginia W. Glenn, Grades 3-6, Nanwalek School; Vicki Harrison, Grade 1, Sterling Elementary; Trudy Petersen, English/choir, Soldotna Middle/Soldotna High School; Marjory Wiley, Child Find, Pupil Services; Don Weller, physical education, Sears Elementary; and Mary Kathryn Vesel, kindergarten, Seward Elementary.

High School Graduation Qualifying Exam Waiver: The Board unanimously approved a High School Graduation Qualifying Exam Waiver for student request 2004-04.

Budget Transfers: The Board unanimously approved budget transfer Number 317 for \$11,130 to purchase 200 site licenses for a curriculum mapping program for teachers and transfer Number 342 for \$10,400 to purchase equipment.

rescission of ACTION ON an unpaid sabbatical request: The Board unanimously approved a recommendation to rescind a request for an unpaid sabbatical without benefits for the 2004-2005 school year from Kim Blommel, Grade 4 teacher at Seward Elementary.

FIRST READING OF POLICY REVISIONS: The Board heard a first reading of revisions to Section 3000 (Business and Noninstructional Operations) and a proposed revision to B 9320(Board Meetings).

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, May 3, 2004, 7:30 p.m., **Seward High School, Seward,** Alaska.

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