
Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

Board of Education Meeting News In Brief

October 23, 2006 – 7:00 p.m.
Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

Borough Administration Building - 148 N. Binkley
Soldotna, Alaska

OATH OF OFFICE: The Oath of Office was administered to newly-elected School Board members Mrs. Lynn Hohl, Mrs. Liz Downing, Mr. Bill Hatch and Mr. Marty Anderson by notary public, Mrs. Sally Tachick. Mrs. Hohl was elected to complete the remaining term of Ms. Sandy Wassilie (she resigned effective October 2, 2006).

REORGANIZATION OF BOARD: The School Board Officers for the 2006-2007 school year are Mrs. Debra Mullins, President; Mrs. Sammy Crawford, Vice President; Mrs. Liz Downing, Clerk; and Mr. Marty Anderson, Treasurer.

ESTABLISH MEETING TIME, DATE AND PLACE: The Board set its meeting time, date and place for 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Monday of each month (unless otherwise noted) at the Borough Administration Building, Soldotna (unless otherwise noted) and that one meeting be scheduled in Homer and one meeting in Seward in the fall and spring.

SCHOOL REPORT: Mr. Mick Wykis, Kaleidoscope Charter School administrator, gave a PowerPoint presentation highlighting thematic units, collaboration among teachers, staff training, parent involvement, assessment information, and the Willow facility. Mrs. Misty Hamilton, APC Chairperson, reported on Board training provided by AASB. Mrs. Elaine Larson directed several students in songs titled, *In Alaska* and *This Land is Your Land*. Miss Alex Bergholtz, Mr. Logan Boyle, Miss Harly Olson, and Mr. Isaac Lewis, students, spoke about the year-long theme, science lessons, the arts, and lifelong guidelines and the brain.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Peterson reported that schools in Seward, Nikolaevsk, Tyonek, and Hope are participating in polycom classes in AP English, accounting, high school qualifying exam math, and AP calculus. She noted that Mrs. Douglas is well respected throughout state, country, and world and was evidenced during a recent trip to the AASBO International Conference in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Mrs. Douglas presented the financial report of the District for the period ending September 30, 2006.

QUARTERLY BUDGET TRANSFER REPORT: Mrs. Douglas reported on budget transfers Numbers 1 through 47 for various schools and departments within the District.

REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE-CERTIFIED: The Board unanimously approved an unpaid leave of absence request for Tania Trejo, science teacher, Voznesenka School for the 2007-2008 school year.

NEW TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS: The Board unanimously approved teaching assignments for Gabe Evins, generalist-teacher/advisor, Connections Program; Nine Dodge, (.50 FTE temporary/.50 FTE permanent) French teacher, Homer High; and Sheryl A. Hingley, Grades 4-8, generalist, Susan B. English.

BUDGET TRANSFER: The Board unanimously approved budget transfer Number 50 for \$425,000 by the Transportation Department to allocate fuel costs for the Home-to-School bus routes.

KPSAA HIGH SCHOOL HANDBOOK REVISIONS: The Board unanimously approved an ASAA proposal to raise the soccer season game limit from 12 to 16 games.

RESIGNATION: The Board unanimously approved the resignation of Cheryl Hobart-Verkuilen, physical education teacher, Nikiski Middle/High effective January 16, 2007.

FIREWEED ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL REAPPLICATION: The Board unanimously approved the reapplication of Fireweed Academy Charter School. The Board postponed a decision regarding their request to expand to other grade levels and facilities until the November 20 meeting.

AURORA BOREALIS CHARTER SCHOOL REAPPLICATION: The Board unanimously approved the reapplication of Aurora Borealis Charter School.

SOLDOTNA MONTESSORI CHARTER SCHOOL REAPPLICATION: The Board unanimously approved the reapplication of Soldotna Montessori Charter School.

2007 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES: The Board approved a list of 2007 state and federal legislative priorities.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, November 6, 2006, 7:00 p.m., **Seward High School, Seward, Alaska.**

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