
Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

Board of Education Meeting News In Brief

October 5, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.
Dr. Steve Atwater, Superintendent

Homer High School
600 E. Fairview, Homer, Alaska

WORKSESSION REPORT: The Board held several worksessions prior to the formal business meeting which included school reports from Fireweed Charter and Homer Flex High and a discussion of the 2010 state and federal priorities and the FY11 Budget Process.

SCHOOL REPORT: Mr. John Hurley, West Homer Elementary, gave a PowerPoint report that highlighted assessment scores in reading, writing and math; parent survey results, and a visit by Governor Parnell.

Mrs. Sharon Trout, Chapman Elementary principal, introduced students Miss Dani Ponte, Miss Jadzia Martin and Mr. Tyler Johnson who provided facts about the school including student demographics, attendance rate, teaching staff, breakfast program, the Character Counts Program and the Intervention Enrichment Program. The report concluded with a short video about Chapman Elementary.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Atwater reported that the H1N1 flu situation is being monitored throughout the District and thanked Mrs. Naomi Walsworth, health services coordinator, for her assistance in that effort. He reported that he met with community members at Kachemak Selo, Voznesenka, and Razdolna regarding the possibility of constructing a new school to accommodate all three villages. He reported that the District has hired Kelly Reisig as the community relations specialist. He congratulated several student athletes for their accomplishments.

RESOLUTION 09-10-1: The Board unanimously approved Resolution 09-10-1, listing the primary and alternate members in charge of gaming for those schools applying for gaming permits for FY10.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD: The Board unanimously approved the appointment of Miss Destini Riley, a Ninilchik Elementary/High School student, as the student representative to the Board of Education.

HSGQE 2010-1: The Board unanimously approved High School Graduation Qualifying Exam Waiver Request Number 2010-1.

HSGQE 2010-2: The Board unanimously approved High School Graduation Qualifying Exam Waiver Request Number 2010-2.

NONTENURE TEACHER CONTRACT: The Board unanimously approved a nontenure teacher contract for Theresa Salzetti, (temporary) interventionist teacher, K-Beach Elementary.

NEW TEACHER CONTRACTS: The Board unanimously approved new teacher contracts for the 2009-2010 school year for Lacey Wisniewski, (temporary) math/science teacher, Kenai Middle School; Robin C. Morris, (temporary) interventionist teacher, Nikiski North Star Elementary; and Patricia Hamre, (temporary) second grade teacher, Seward Elementary.

LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE CONTRACT: The Board unanimously approved a long-term substitute teacher contract for Zada Friedersdorff, Soldotna Middle School.

HSGQE 2010-3: The Board unanimously approved High School Graduation Qualifying Exam Waiver Request Number 2010-3.

HSGQE 2010-4: The Board unanimously approved High School Graduation Qualifying Exam Waiver Request Number 2010-4.

RESIGNATION: The Board unanimously approved a resignation from Diane J. Warner, social studies, Homer High School, effective August 17, 2009.

REVISED FY10 BUDGET: The Board unanimously approved budget adjustments related to benefits and increased health care costs to the FY10 general fund revenue and expenditure budgets in the amount of \$2,379,694 for a total general fund amount of \$125,306,531.

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES: The Board approved a list of proposed FY10 federal and state legislative priorities.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, October 19, 2009, 7:00 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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