

KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

July 12, 1999

NEWS IN BRIEF

**Awards and Presentations** – Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham presented Mr. Don Glaze with a plaque, a \$1,000 check and a ring from Herf-Jones for being selected as McDonalds' Alaska Assistant Principal of the Year.

**Superintendent's Report** – Dr. Peterson presented the 1998-1999 Superintendent's Annual Report. The report highlights staff achievements, student accomplishments, cocurricular achievements, reports on various programs throughout the District and progress made on the Board goals.

**Financial Report** – Mr. Hickey presented the financial report of the District for the period ending May 31, 1999.

**Budget Transfer Report** – Mr. Hickey reported on budget transfers Numbers 323 through 861 for various schools and departments within the District.

**1999-2000 Annual Agenda Guideline** – The Board unanimously approved the 1999-2000 Annual Agenda, which consists of dates for routine items to be presented to the School Board.

**Participation in National School Employees Insurance Trust** – The Board unanimously approved the District's participation in the National School Employees Insurance Trust.

**Resignations** – Board unanimously approved the resignations effective the end of the 1999-2000 school year for Lisa Wiley, language arts, Nikiski Middle/High; Angee Maw, dance/history, Soldotna High; John Damberg, Music, Seward Middle/High; Olga Veter-Eluska, Russian, Voznesenka; and Rob Keller, special education/resource, Seward Middle/High.

**1999-2000 Teacher Appointments** – The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for the 1999-2000 school year for Scot Akers, math, Nikiski Middle/High; Donna Anderson, Grades 1-2, Sears Elementary; Stephanie Anderson, math, Seward Middle/High; Patrick Binder, social studies/language arts, Seward Middle/High; Karen Davis, librarian/media specialist, Seward Middle/High; Thomas DeGray, Grade 6, Soldotna Elementary; Dawn Edwards-Smith, generalist, Kenai Alternative School; Andrea Eggleston, art, Kenai Middle; Chris Hanson, science, Ninilchik Elementary/High; Suzanne Klaben, Grade 4, Tustumena Elementary; Tara Rosin, Title I Reading (temporary), Redoubt Elementary; Lisa Sova, physical education, Soldotna Elementary; Cindy Thomas, kindergarten, Sears Elementary; Carolyn Window, music, Chapman Elementary; Kraig Berg, industrial arts/math, Kenai Central High.

**Tentative Nontenure Teacher Assignments** – The Board unanimously approved tentative nontenure teacher assignments for the 1999-2000 school year for Dotti Harness, math/science, Homer High and Michael Stockburger, business education, Homer High.

KPESA Negotiated Agreement – The Board unanimously approved the 1999-2002 Kenai Peninsula Educational Support Association Negotiated Agreement as presented.

Teacher Termination – The Board unanimously approved the termination of teacher for failure to return a signed contract within the designated time line.

Administrator Appointments – The Board unanimously approved administrator assignments for the 1999-2000 school year for Scott O'Tremba, Principal, Homer Middle; Lee Young, Principal, Soldotna Middle; and John Pothast, Principal, Skyview High.

1999-2000 Board of Education Goals – The Board unanimously approved five goals for accomplishment during the 1999-2000 school year. These goals are 1) revisit and clarify roles, relationships and expectations for site councils; 2) continue the development of criteria for the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District diploma certification to provide learning challenges for all levels of achievement; 3) focus on positive public relations with an emphasis on safe schools; 4) adopt the Association of Alaska School Board's Model School Board Standards; and 5) support and facilitate the successful transition of new administrators. The Board unanimously approved five additional ongoing action items.

Director and Assistant Superintendent Contracts – The Board unanimously approved a salary schedule and contracts for the assistant superintendents and directors.

First Reading of Policy Revisions – The Board heard a first reading of revisions to AR 6141, Curriculum Development and Evaluation, which updates the District time line for curriculum review and revision. The Board heard a first reading of revisions to AR 6146.1, High School Graduation Requirements, which concerns high school credit for home school, private school, or correspondence courses. The Board heard a first reading of revisions to AR 6153, School-Sponsored Trips, which clarifies District policy and procedure related to school field trips.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, August 2, 1999 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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August 2, 1999

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**Superintendent's Report** – Dr. Peterson listed trainings and meetings recently attended by District administration and reviewed changes to central office department locations. She announced that a professional/technical contract has been issued to a retired District administrator for administrative services for Hope Elem/High School. She noted that Rosemary Bushon has been hired as the director of the After the Bell program, which is funded through a grant awarded to Community Schools Program and the Boys and Girls Club. Dr. Peterson announced that Mr. Sarge Truesdell was named the 1999 Sallie Mae First Class Teacher Award winner from the state of Alaska. She announced that there will be a special School Board meeting August 19, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. Dr. Peterson presented a list of worksessions and reports to be presented at future Board meetings from October 4 through June 5, 2000.

**Hazardous Bus Route Resolutions** – The Board approved hazardous bus routes for North Star, Nikiski, Seward, Redoubt, Soldotna, Sears, Mt. View, West Homer Elementary, Paul Banks and K-Beach elementary schools for the 1999-2000 school year.

**Resignations** – The Board unanimously approved the resignation of Heidi Farrand, music, Seward Elementary.

**1999-2000 Teacher Appointments** – The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for the 1999-2000 school year for Janet Boyce, (temporary) Title I reading, Soldotna Elementary; Kristin Cannava, QUEST, Soldotna Middle; Lee Chadwick, computer application/accounting, Nikiski Middle/High; Christopher Cowans, Grades 5/6, Tustumena Elementary; Thomas Gossard, (half permanent, half temporary) Grades 1/2, Tustumena Elementary; Robert Hassen, math, Seward Middle/High; Shae Hollandsworth, Grade 6, K-Beach Elementary; Gweni Hurd, English, Kenai Central High; Carrie Robbins, (temporary) English, Skyview High; Loretta Swanson, special education/preschool, Seward Middle/High.

**Leave of Absence/Certified** - The Board unanimously approved a one-year, unpaid leave of absence for the 1999-2000 school year for Anita Hakkinen, Grade 2, Redoubt Elementary.

**Substitute and Temporary Pay Schedule** – The Board unanimously approved the pay schedule for substitutes and temporary employees for the 1999-2000 school year. A new salary range was added to accommodate temporary help that is used regularly such as employees hired for summer work.

**POLICY REVISIONS** – The Board unanimously approved revisions to AR 6141, Curriculum Development and Evaluation, which updates the District time line for curriculum review and revision; to AR 6146.1, High School Graduation Requirements, which concerns high school credit for home school, private school, or correspondence courses and to AR 6153, School-Sponsored Trips, which clarifies District policy and procedure related to school field trips. An amendment was unanimously approved clarifying that medical insurance would be available for those without private family or individual coverage and that it would not be paid at District expense.

Six-Year Enrollment Projections and Plan and School Construction Needs – This item was removed from the agenda.

Administrator Appointments – The Board unanimously approved administrator assignments for the 1999-2000 school year for Alex Trout, principal, Voznesenka Elementary/High and Allan Miller, assistant principal, Kenai Middle.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, August 16, 1999, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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August 16, 1999

NEWS IN BRIEF

Superintendent's Report – Dr. Peterson reported that the Back to School newspaper insert was included in the time capsule during the Challenger Cornerstone Laying Ceremony. She listed the trainings that were attended by district employees during the summer. She announced that the West Homer team placed first in the National Continental Mathematics League Euclidean Grade Six Level; that Shirley Gribble and Sandy Miller are state finalists for the National Science Foundation Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science; that Sylvia Reynolds presented "High Stakes Testing: Student Motivation and Successful Schools" to the International Conference of State Chief School Officers and that North Star Elementary's web site was featured in The Classroom Flyer, a national e-newsletter for educators. She stated that there will be a special School Board meeting Thursday, August 19, at 2:00 p.m. at the Borough Administration Building.

Financial Report – Mr. Hickey presented the financial report of the District for the period ending July 31, 1999.

Assessment Report – Mr. McLain presented assessment information for the 1998-1999 school year. A Board worksession was held prior to the regular meeting to review the data in more detail.

Resignation – The Board unanimously approved a resignation, effective immediately, for Jody Hagen, Grade 5, Mt. View Elementary.

1999-2000 Teacher Appointments – The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for the 1999-2000 school year for Christina Hum, Generalist, Bartlett School; Susan Nabholz, Language Arts, Soldotna Middle; and Shellie Worsfold, Grades 2/3, Tustumena Elementary.

Budget Transfer – The Board unanimously approved a budget transfer for \$20,980 from the Homer Flex rent account to the Borough capital projects fund account to be put towards the purchase of the Homer Flex facility.

Six-Year Enrollment Projections and Plan and School Construction Needs – The Board unanimously approved the Six-Year Plan and Enrollment Projections and Plan. The plan includes enrollment projections and school construction needs for 1999-2000 through 2004-2005. The Board approved an amendment to move the construction of a new school for Voznesenka from Priority Number 32 to Priority Number 8. A worksession was held prior to the meeting to review this information.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, September 13, 1999, at 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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September 13, 1999

NEWS IN BRIEF

**SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING** – A special School Board meeting was conducted on August 19, 1999, to consider a personnel matter.

**School Report** – Mr. Aaron Stansberry, principal, and Mrs. Sue Stansberry teacher, Bartlett Elementary/High School presented a slide show highlighting the activities of students and staff at the school. Mr. and Mrs. Stansberry reported on the STAR program, mentoring project, Tubghna Learning Circle (TLC), school spirit activities, technology and many other happenings at the school. They invited those present to visit their website at [www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/tyonek/](http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/tyonek/).

**SOLDOTNA MIDDLE SCHOOL P.T.A.** – Ms. Patty Rich and Mrs. Linda Hibberd, representatives from Soldotna Middle School PTA, presented Mr. Todd Syverson with a plaque of appreciation for his past years of dedicated service as school principal.

**Superintendent's Report** – Dr. Peterson notified the Board that the District is 156 students below enrollment and stated that staffing changes are being made in schools that are over staffed. She reminded the Board of the Administrator's meeting on September 14 at Solid Rock Bible Camp and the Technology Work Group meeting on September 28 at the Borough Administration Building.

**Financial Report** – Mr. Hickey presented the financial report of the District for the period ending August 31, 1999.

**1999-2000 Tentative Nontenure Teacher Assignment** – The Board unanimously approved a tentative nontenure teacher assignment for the 1999-2000 school year for Virginia Bucher, reading specialist (temporary), West Homer Elementary.

**1999-2000 New Teacher Assignments** – The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for the 1999-2000 school year for Christine Buschur, Grade 5, Mt. View Elementary; Amy Fortunato, special education/emotionally handicapped, Districtwide Special Services; Rita Geller, physical education, Sterling Elementary; Kenneth Hepner, (temporary), counselor, Soldotna High; Teri Hoffman, (temporary), Grade 6, North Star Elementary; Rebecca Hunter, pool director/teacher, Kenai Central High; Timothy B. Jacobson, language arts/social studies, Nikolaevsk Elementary/High; Elizabeth Carla Jenness, language arts, Nikiski Middle/High; Sandra J. Lewis, (temporary), Grade 2, Redoubt Elementary; Susan Maurer, social studies, Soldotna High; Kristin Morrow, (temporary), reading specialist, Nikiski Elementary; Ola Mullikin, music, Ninilchik Elementary/High; Kathy Sandoval, special education/resource, Seward Middle/High; Kristy Schmelzenbach, (temporary), computers/technology, Kenai Middle; Lillian Seapy, technology/business education, Soldotna High; Susan Strutz, (temporary), physical education, Homer Middle; Staci Suneson, speech therapist, Sears Elementary; and Wendy Weber, special education/resource, Chapman Elementary.

ASBO International Director Seat, Resolution Number 99-00-1 – The Board unanimously approved a resolution in support of the election of Mrs. Melody Douglas to the Association of School Business Officials Board of Directors.

Early Graduation Requests – The Board unanimously approved early graduation requests for two Homer High School students.

AASB Resolutions – The Board approved the submission of the 1999 AASB Belief Statements and Core Resolutions with the exception of 1.2, Opposition of Mandated Borough Formation. The Board voted to continue support for Resolution 2.11, Pupil Transportation/Hazardous Routes.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, October 4, 1999, 7:30 p.m., **Seward Middle/High School, Seward, Alaska.**

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October 4, 1999

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**SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING** - A special School Board meeting was conducted on September 23 to consider a contract with PTINet. The Board unanimously approved a recommendation to direct the administration to enter into an annual renewable contract with PTINet for the fiber optic network, subject to legal approval, with the costs not to exceed \$1.7 million over ten years and that a letter be sent to Mr. Duane Parlow thanking him for his efforts.

The Board unanimously approved the nomination of Mrs. Mullins as a candidate to the AASB Board of Directors.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** - Mr. Arness introduced Miss Melinda Haring, Kenai Central High School student, as the newly elected School Board Student Representative.

**SCHOOL REPORTS** - Mr. Robert Boyle, Seward Elementary principal, presented a skit introducing the Stop and Think Program, which is a social skills training program for students. He reported that Seward Elementary is 17 students over projection and reviewed changes in staffing from last year. He stated that the school goal this year is to focus on reading and that teachers are being trained in the First Steps program.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS** - Mrs. Mullins presented a gift of appreciation to Mr. Arness for his past years of dedicated service to the Board of Education.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** - Dr. Peterson reported that the next technology work group will meet again on October 19 from 10-12 p.m. Dr. Peterson reported that as a result of the recently approved contract with PTINet, conduit will be laid in the ground by the end of October with fiber to be installed by the end of November. Dr. Peterson reported that in a one-day period 10,000 plus emails were sent from box to box and 2,000 "hits" per week were received on the District website. Dr. Peterson reported that she recently met with Laidlaw representatives to discuss the procedures to deal with bad weather. She reported that 61 certified substitutes were recently trained. Dr. Peterson reported that the AASA Superintendents' conference will be October 7-9 at Pizza Paradisos in Kenai.

**PRIMARY SPONSOR OF GAMING PERMITS** - The Board unanimously approved a list of primary and alternative members in charge of gaming for those schools applying for gaming permits for the 1999-2000.

**TENTATIVE TENURE TEACHER ASSIGNMENT** - The Board unanimously approved a tentative tenure teacher assignment for Timothy Daugharty, Homer Middle School.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE/SUPPORT** - The Board unanimously approved a one-year, unpaid leave of absence for the 1999-2000 school year for Judy Baker, secretary III, Bartlett Elementary/High School.



**NEW TEACHER CONTRACTS** - The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for the 1999-2000 school year for Josanne Breeding, districtwide school psychologist; Jaimee Coon, language arts, Soldotna Middle; Laurie Decker, special education/resource, Homer High; Judy Graham, (temporary) special education/resource, Soldotna Elementary; Paul Hettwer, music, Seward Middle/Sr.; Vicki Illg, science, Homer High; Terrie Kane, (temporary) special education/severe, Seward Middle/Sr.; Kelli Kessler, (temporary) reading specialist, Nikolaevsk Elementary/High School; Patricia Lawyer, counselor, Skyview High; Mary Beth Nearing, districtwide physical therapist; Teresa Smith, (temporary) library, Mt. View Elementary; Jacqueline Stringham, (temporary) music, Nikiski Elementary/Nikiski Middle/Sr. and Brenda Williamson, special education/intensive, Soldotna High.

**19-DAY SUBSTITUTE TEACHER CONTRACTS** - The Board unanimously approved 19-day substitute teaching contracts for Michael Stockburger, study skills, Homer High and Renee Merkes, math/photography, Soldotna High.

**BUDGET TRANSFER** - The Board unanimously approved a budget transfer for \$99,146 to purchase computers and printers for the Connection Program.

**BUDGET PREPARATION CALENDAR** - The Board unanimously approved a calendar to be used as a guideline for preparation of the 2000-2001 School District budget.

**ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENT** - The Board unanimously approved an administrator assignment for the 1999-2000 school year for Paula Christensen, assistant principal, Soldotna Middle School.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING** - The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, October 18, 1999, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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October 18, 1999

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**Oath of Office/New School Board Members** - The Oath of Office was administered to newly elected school board members Mrs. Debra Mullins, Dr. Nels Anderson and Mr. Mike Chenault by Notary Public, Sally Tachick.

**Reorganization of Board** - The School Board Officers for 1999-00 are Ms. Deb Germano, President; Mrs. Debra Mullins, Vice President; Mrs. Susan Larned, Clerk; and Mrs. Sammy Crawford, Treasurer.

**Establish Meeting Date, Time and Place** - The Board set its meeting time, date and place at 7:30 p.m., the first and third Monday of each month at the Borough Administration Building, Soldotna. Two meetings are scheduled to be held in Homer and Seward in the fall and spring. The Board canceled the March 20 and April 3 meetings and scheduled a replacement meeting for March 27, 2000.

**School Reports** - Mr. Sam Stewart, Kenai Central High School principal, reported that last year's junior class had the highest overall CAT/5 test scores and that the freshman class had six of nine star papers on the Analytical Writing Assessment districtwide. He presented samples of student self-portraits drawn by first-year art students and introduced three students who gave an excerpt from the play, *Little Women*.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Dr. Peterson reported that Mr. Hickey is attending the National School Business Officials Conference. She stated that the worksession on school board standards has been moved to the December 6 meeting. She announced that the next Technology Work Group meeting will be October 19 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Borough Administration Building. She announced that several District principals are attending the State Principal's Conference. She reported that Mr. Walt Ward was named as Alaska State Vocational Association's Teacher of the Year.

**Hearing of Delegations** - Ms. Mo Sanders, Phi Delta Kappa, presented each School Board member with a complimentary, one-year subscription to The Kappan magazine and invited the Board to join the fraternity.

**Financial Report** - Dr. Peterson presented the financial report of the District for the period ending September 30, 1999.

**Budget Transfer Report** - Dr. Peterson reported on budget transfers Numbers 1 through 92 for various schools and departments within the District.

**Substitute Teacher Contract** - The Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Connie Tracy, vocational education/Project Adventure, Homer Middle.

**Leave of Absence/Support** - The Board unanimously approved a one-year, unpaid leave of absence for the 1999-2000 school year for Anastasia Barsargin, custodian, Voznesenka Elementary.

**New Teacher Appointments** - The Board unanimously approved teacher assignments for the 1999-2000 school year for Alexei Basargin, (temporary) Russian/math, Nikolaevsk Elementary/High; Christine Bergholtz, science, Kenai Central High; Lynnette Elliott-James (temporary) Grades 2/3, Soldotna Elementary; and Molly Kennedy, (temporary) occupational therapist for Districtwide special services.

**Requests for Early Graduation** - The Board unanimously approved early graduation requests from students at Homer Flex, Seward High and Homer High.

**Primary Sponsor of Gaming Permit** - The Board unanimously approved a Primary and Alternative Member in Charge of Gaming for the North Star Elementary School for the 1999-2000 school year.

**Budget Transfers** - The Board unanimously approved budget transfers Numbers 98 and 118 for costs to provide a lunch program at Hope Elementary/High and cover costs of onsite installation and training of the new point-of-sale system for the food service program and provide professional-technical psychological services necessary due to an unfilled position.

**Resignation** - The Board unanimously approved a resignation effective October 12, 1999, for Jacqueline Stringham, music, Nikiski Middle/High School.

**Board Policy and Administrative Regulation Revision Process** - The Board unanimously approved a change that would place administrative regulations on the consent agendas of regularly scheduled Board meetings. This modification would no longer require a first and second reading prior to approval.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING** - The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, November 1, 1999, at 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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November 1, 1999

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**Awards and Presentations** – Mr. Rick Ladd presented a plaque of appreciation to Mr. Ron Drathman for his years of service on the Kenai Peninsula Student Activities Association Board of Directors from May 1997 to May 1999.

**School Reports** – Mr. Alex Trout, building administrator at Kachemak Selo Elementary and Voznesenka Elementary/High Schools, gave a slide presentation showing pictures of each school. He explained that students come to kindergarten speaking English as a second language and that in the early grades, instruction is primarily delivered in Russian. Mr. Trout reported that Voznesenka Elementary has 131 students served by six certificated teachers. He reported that the instructional goal at Voznesenka Elementary is to improve reading comprehension skills. Mr. Trout reported that Kachemak Selo has 65 students with 4 certificated teachers. He stated that this is the second year the staff has been specifically working to ensure that all students are reading at or above grade level.

Mr. Steve Jones, Susan B. English Elementary/High Principal, submitted a written narrative and short video. His video report included information on parental involvement, test scores, the school's writing and communication goal, student participation in cocurricular activities and clubs, and community programs.

**Hearing of Delegations** – The 1999-2000 Teen Leaders of the Postponing Sexual Involvement Program explained the abstinence program, which is presented to seventh and grade students.

**Superintendent's Report** – Dr. Peterson reported that Mr. Hank Overturf was chosen as Alaska's Assistant Principal of the Year. She announced that BP Exploration is expanding their Teachers of Excellence Program to the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District, which includes financial and public recognition to the selected teacher.

**Class Size Reports** – Mr. Ed McLain presented the class size report based on enrollment as of September 24, 1999. The report included a summary of students per classroom teacher at each site, average class size per site, classroom sizes districtwide, specific teachers and class loads, vocational education and special education courses and various other statistical information. A worksession was held prior to the regular meeting to review the class size and enrollment information in more detail.

**Resolution 99-00-04, Support for Participation in the ARCTIC Project** - The Board unanimously approved a resolution supporting the participation of a District teacher in the ARCTIC technology intern program.

**Revisions to Administrative Regulation 5131.7, Weapons and Dangerous Instruments** – The Board

unanimously approved revisions to AR 5131.7. The revision deletes the reference to knife blade length.

2000-2001 Enrollment Projections – The Board unanimously approved the 2000-2001 projected enrollment at 10,140 students. A worksession was held prior to the regular meeting to review the enrollment projection information in more detail.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, November 15, 1999, at 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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**School Reports** - Mr. Scott Mengel, K-Beach Elementary principal, gave a computer-generated slide show that included pictures of staff and students. He stated that the school's main focus is on helping kids become better readers, writers, mathematicians and learners. He introduced five students who read from research information they had gathered on owls. At the beginning of the meeting, two students led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance using sign language.

**Superintendent's Report** - Dr. Peterson thanked the Board for the invitation to attend the AASB Annual Conference. She reported that a District teacher has been selected to participate in the ARCTIC Program. She reported that the latest enrollment shows a loss of 55 students and that a quick check indicates that the students have moved away from the District.

**Annual Audit Report** - Mr. Bill Coghill of Mikunda, Cottrell and Company, presented the fiscal year 1999 audit report of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District. Mr. Coghill commended the District Business and Finance Department for their excellence in financial reporting and noted that a certificate of achievement is included in the audit report for fiscal year 1998. He stated that in his firm's opinion, the District complied in all material aspects relevant to the reporting requirements for each of its federal and major state programs for the year ended June 30, 1999. Mr. Coghill urged the District to review its use of signature stamps for the approval of timesheets.

**Financial Report** - Ms. Douglas presented the financial report of the District for the period ending October 31, 1999. She noted that the District will be closely monitoring health insurance costs.

**Resignation** - The Board unanimously approved a resignation effective the end of October 1999 for Michael Bergholtz, science, Nikiski Middle/High School.

**New Teacher Assignment** - The Board unanimously approved a teaching appointment for the 1999-2000 school year for Juventino Morin, Spanish, Homer High.

**Primary Sponsor of Gaming Permit** - The Board unanimously approved a Primary and Alternative Member in Charge of Gaming for K-Beach Elementary School for the 1999-2000 school year.

**Leave of Absence/Support** - The Board unanimously approved a one-year, unpaid leave of absence effective 12/1/99 to 12/1/00 for John Dove, head custodian, Mt. View Elementary School.

**2000-2001 Certified Staffing Formula** - The Board unanimously approved the staffing formula for regular education certified employees which will be used to calculate the 2000-2001 budget. An amendment was approved to change the pupil-teacher ratio to 1:18 in kindergarten through second grade, 1:24 in third and

fourth grade, and 1:26 in fifth and sixth grade.

2000-2001 Support Staffing Formula - The Board unanimously approved the staffing formula for support employees which will be used to calculate the 2000-2001 budget. An amendment was approved to keep the nurses staffed at 19.5 FTE.

2000-2001 Special Education Certified Staffing Formula - The Board unanimously approved the staffing formula for special education certified employees that will be used to calculate the 2000-2001 budget.

2000-2001 Special Education Support Staffing Formula - The Board unanimously approved the staffing formula for special education support employees that will be used to calculate the 2000-2001 budget.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, December 6, 1999, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

December 6, 1999

NEWS IN BRIEF

**School Reports** – Mr. John Pothast, Skyview High School principal, reported that one of the most significant undertakings this year was the school's approach in dealing with at-risk students. He noted that this year's highlights are the After the Bell Program, math tutoring program, PEP coordinators, I-Team Program, language class for at-risk 9<sup>th</sup> grade students, and block scheduling. He presented a video highlighting the "Stuck in the 60s" interdisciplinary dinner show. He explained that the show is an annual event that uses the help of half of the student body and most of the departments to create the script, props, food, and advertising.

**Superintendent's Report** – Dr. Peterson announced that the next Technology Work Group meeting will be February 3, 2000, and that a joint School Board and Assembly budget hearing will be held on March 7, 2000. Dr. Peterson invited the Board to the Administrators and Central Office Christmas Party on December 13, 1999. She announced that Sylvia Reynolds was selected as the Region III Principal of the Year.

**Lease Agreements Report** – Mr. Hickey presented a report of leases or agreements currently in effect for the District. The report includes agreements between the cities of Soldotna, Homer and Seward for the Community Schools Program; a lease for equipment and facilities with the North Peninsula Recreation Service area; a facility lease for Kachemak Selo, Razdolna, Aurora Borealis Charter and Voznesenka Schools; a lease to the Boys and Girls Club for space in the Kenai Elementary School, and a storage lease with Henderlong Enterprises for the Seward bus fleet.

**Technology Work Group Executive Overview** – The Board unanimously approved the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Technology Plan. The cost of the six-year plan will be funded by a combination of District, Borough and federal E-rate money for a total of \$11,925,374. The goals of the plan are to provide equity in technology access and learning opportunities for all students in the District, build a standardized hardware and software platform within the next six years, provide a support system to help schools keep the technology running smoothly, train staff in the use of technology and continue to enhance the District Wide Area Network to handle the business and instructional needs of the District.

**New Teacher Appointment** – The Board unanimously approved a teaching appointment for the 1999-2000 school year for Douglas Gordon, vocational education, Soldotna High.

**Leave of Absence Request/Support** – The Board unanimously approved a one-year, unpaid leave of absence for the 2000-2001 school year for Susan Covich, Title I tutor, Nikiski Elementary.

**Long Term Substitute Teacher Contract** – The Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Carol Boehmler, QUEST, Mt. View Elementary.

**Resolution 99-00-6, Challenger Learning Center of Alaska** – The Board unanimously approved a resolution continuing the partnership and support of the Challenger Learning Center which includes incorporation of the



Center curriculum, where appropriate, in the areas of science, math and technology and utilizing a minimum of 15 "classroom missions" at the Center each year.

AR 6141, Curriculum Development and Evaluation – The Board unanimously approved revisions to AR6141, Curriculum Development and Evaluation. The revisions to the cycle provide two years for appropriate training and support for the language arts curriculum. This will allow additional time to align and train staff in supportive instructional practice; and align District curriculum and instructional practice with District certified diploma proficiency and foundational performance levels, state High School Graduation Qualifying Exam requirements, and the state Benchmark Test levels in Grades 3, 6, and 8.

AASB Board Standards – The Board unanimously approved the AASB Board Standards: A Framework for Alaska School Boards, which provides Board members with a guide to better boardsmanship and excellence in education. A worksession was held prior to the regular meeting to discuss the standards in more detail.

Leave of Absence Request/Certified – The Board unanimously approved an unpaid leave of absence for Andrea Morris, special education/resource, Susan B. English (effective for the remainder of the 1999-200 school year) and Troy Minogue, math, Homer High (effective for the 2000-20001 school year).

Resolution 99-00-7, Administrators Counted as Instructional Component – The Board unanimously approved Resolution 99-00-7 supporting the recognition of school principals as instructional leaders and request that the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development allow administrative expenditures in school budgets to be included as a categorized instructional component.

Homer Flex School Renovation – The Board unanimously approved the expenditure of an additional \$80,000 to meet fire and building codes as well as ADA accommodations at the Homer Flex facility.

School Calendar/Inservice Dates – The Board unanimously approved the 2000-2001 school calendar and tentatively approved school calendars for 2001-2002 and 2002-2003.

Kenai Elementary Memorandum of Agreement – The Board unanimously approved the transfer of the management and operations of the Kenai Elementary building to the District.

Risograph Services – The Board unanimously approved a request to proceed with final negotiations with Risograph for duplicating services.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, January 3, 2000, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

January 3, 2000

NEWS IN BRIEF

**SCHOOL REPORTS:** Mr. Jim Dawson, Mt. View Elementary principal, facilitated a student-led school report. The students reported on school activities, technology, climate and staff and presented a short video displaying the various student activities. The students concluded their report by reading and displaying a banner containing the school mission statement.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:** Mr. Syverson presented the Alaska Association for Community Education's Outstanding Cooperation with Community Educators award to the Soldotna Middle School custodial staff: Martin Galloway, Jack McGarry, Lance Roberts, Greg Reser, Connie Todd, and John Gordon.

Mr. Hickey announced that the District received from the Alaska Municipal League/Joint Insurance Association, Inc. a 1999 fiscal year loss control award recognizing the District's conservative loss history.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Mr. McLain reported that Dr. Peterson attended a meeting with Senator Stevens to discuss current federal education legislation. He reported that Kenai Middle School was awarded funding for the Gear Up Alaska grant and will receive \$50,000 each year for five years depending on student progress.

**1999-2000 Teaching Assignments:** The Board unanimously approved teaching appointments for the 1999-2000 school year for Andrea Berg, (temporary) generalist, Kenai Alternative; Scott Wolner, Grades 3/4, Susan B. English and Patricia Cahill, generalist, Nanwalek Elementary/High.

**Long-Term Substitute Teachers:** The Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Teri Hoffman, Grade 6, North Star Elementary and Aileen Hediger, kindergarten, Voznesenka Elementary/High.

**Resignations:** The Board unanimously approved resignations from Stephen Howell, QUEST/language arts, Homer Middle (effective January 3, 2000); Andrea Morris, special education/resource, Susan B. English (effective January 3, 2000); Pamela Gennari, Grade 6, North Star Elementary (effective December 30, 1999) and Daniela Martian, Math, Kenai Central High (Effective January 14, 2000).

**Early Graduation Request:** The Board unanimously approved an early graduation request from a Nikiski Middle/High School student.

**Administrator Resignation:** The Board unanimously approved the resignation of Mr. Rich Patton, Homer High School principal.

**Student Expulsion:** The Board unanimously approved the suspension of a Homer High student for violation of

Board Policy 5131.6, Alcohol and Other Drugs.

FY 2000 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND MAJOR MAintenance projects: The Board unanimously approved a list of legislative capital improvement and major maintenance projects for FY 2000.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, January 17, 2000, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

January 17, 2000

NEWS IN BRIEF

**School Reports:** Mr. Ken Meacham, Redoubt Elementary principal, reported that one of the school goals is to improve reading skills as measured by CBM and DIBELS. He noted that the school started a reading room which contains reading resources for staff. He reported that 46-50 students participate in the After-the-Bell Program, Math Club and Reading Club after school. Several students demonstrated their reading abilities by reading from their big book, "The Best Things About Title I at Redoubt." Students sang "Mi Cuerpo" in Spanish and English. Mr. Meacham displayed several pieces of art created by Redoubt Elementary students and noted that Dr. Schwartz will be conducting an inservice February 21 on integrating art into writing and language arts.

**Awards and Presentations:** Mrs. Larned presented an award of appreciation to Mr. Walt Ward for being selected as Vocational Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Crawford presented an award of appreciation to Mr. Hank Overturf for being selected as Assistant Principal of the Year.

**Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Peterson reported that she has declined requests from other districts to facilitate their high school qualifying exam. She reported that the Homer High School principal hiring process will begin with meetings on January 26 with the school staff and site council. She reported that in conjunction with KPEA, the District will conduct a mentor teacher retreat. Dr. Peterson reported that she has received 124 evaluations of administrative staff and 52 evaluations of Central Office staff. She noted that the Technology Work Group will meet on February 3 at 10 a.m. She announced that the Budget Review Committee will meet January 20 and 24 and that the joint budget worksession with the Assembly will be March 7 at 10 a.m. Dr. Peterson reported that the District has been recognized as a "What Parents Want" award winning school system by School Match.

**Financial Reports:** Mr. Hickey presented the financial report of the District for the periods ending November 30, 1999, and December 31, 1999.

**Budget Transfer Report:** Mr. Hickey reported on budget transfers Numbers 57 through 185 for various schools and departments within the District.

**Charter School Budget Adjustment for FY00:** The Board unanimously approved general fund budget transfers from Aurora Borealis Charter School, who was overfunded by \$5,404; from Bay View Charter School, who did not open and was funded \$87,196 and Homer Charter School who was under funded by \$8,820. An amendment was approved increasing the Homer Charter School student enrollment from 25 to 26.

**Termination of Bay view Charter:** The Board unanimously approved the termination of the Bay View charter. The recommendation was made because the deadline for reconsideration had passed.

**New Teacher Assignments:** The Board unanimously approved teaching assignments for the 1999-2000

school year for William Wise, (temporary) special education/educationally handicapped, Special Services Program and Johnna DeGray, (temporary) science, Nikiski Middle/High School.

Long-Term Substitute Teacher: Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Cindy Weeks, math, Nikiski Middle/High School.

AR 5144, Elementary and Secondary Discipline Guides: This item was tabled until the February 7 meeting.

Primary Sponsor of Gaming Permit: The Board unanimously approved a Primary and Alternative Member in Charge of Gaming for Hope Elementary/High and Aurora Borealis Charter Schools for the 1999-2000 school year.

FY00 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT: The Board unanimously approved adjustments to balance the FY00 budget. The following adjustments are primarily in response to a significant shortfall caused by declining enrollments: adjust salary and fringe benefits to reflect actual hires, -\$421,116; establish an e-rate budget, \$250,000; increase the Connections Program budget as a result of additional enrollment, \$384,097; reduce the transportation fund subsidy, -\$50,000; eliminate unallocated equipment, -\$177,433; and reduce unallocated Other, -\$23,503. The net effect of these changes total -\$37, 955.

Revised 2000-2001 Enrollment Projections: The Board unanimously approved revisions to the 2000-2001 enrollment projections. The recommendation was prompted by the steady decline in enrollment. Mr. Hickey suggested the District not use the originally approved figures to calculate the FY01 budget but revise the enrollment projections to reflect a K-12 student body of 9,971.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, February 7, 2000, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

February 7, 2000

NEWS IN BRIEF

**SCHOOL REPORTS:** Dr. Lisa Stroh, Tustumena Elementary principal, reported that the school goal was to concentrate on math computation and that the staff has tried hard to become data-driven, assess students and problem solve the best way to meet the needs of all students. She stated that the school has two Title I Program tutors and also offers accelerated reading and math programs. She stated that the school received a grant to purchase books for a level book room, which provides sets of books that teachers can use for groups of students at a specific reading level. She reported that the school received a state grant for ten staff members to complete a two-year reading endorsement program. She reported that approximately 46 students are participating in an intramural ski program. She noted that one-percent of the money spent on the new school addition was designated for art and that a committee selected two Alaskan artists to create art projects for the school. She stated that four, 3-dimensional ceramic tiles, several ceramic windowsill coverings and a mural were recently completed and installed. Shelly Worsfold, teacher, introduced her 3rd grade students who read acrostic poetry they had written.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:** Ms. Germano paid special recognition to Mr. Jim White, Data Processing Director for his outstanding service and dedication to the District.

**Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Peterson reported that Mr. McLain is working four hours per day. She noted that the District was awarded a school-to-work Career Pathways grant for \$70,000 and is aggressively pursuing other grants. She announced that Department of Education and Early Development Commissioner, Rick Cross, will be on the Kenai Peninsula to talk to District personnel about the Quality Schools Initiative. She noted that the Technology Work Group meeting was rescheduled for February 10, at 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and that the joint budget worksession with the Assembly has been rescheduled for February 29.

**Lease Report:** Mr. Hickey announced that the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly transferred the Kenai Elementary building to the District and subsequently entered into a five-year lease agreement with the Boys and Girls Club for administrative space. The spaces available for Club activity programs will be used in compliance with BP and AR 1330.

**1999-2000 New Teacher Appointments:** The Board unanimously approved teaching appointments for the 1999-2000 school year for Lois Andrews, (temporary) QUEST, Homer Middle; Renee Merkes, (temporary), math, Kenai Central High; and Rachel Roehmildt, (temporary), generalist, Hope School.

**Long-Term Substitute Teacher Contract:** The Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Johnna DeGray, science, Nikiski Middle/High, Paula Standefer, Grade 5, K-Beach Elementary and Cindy Hurst, kindergarten, Sterling Elementary.

**FY01 Increased Food Service Prices:** The Board unanimously approved a \$0.05 increase in the price of FY01 lunches.

FY01 Community Use of Auditorium Price Increase: The Board tabled action on revisions to AR 1330 increasing the fees to Category II and Category III users of the school auditoriums.

Resignation: The Board unanimously approved a resignation from Audrey Alfson, language arts, Nikiski Middle/High (effective the end of the 1999-2000 school year).

RESOLUTION 99-00-9: The Board unanimously approved Resolution 99-00-9 encouraging funding support by the Alaska Legislature for the Magazine, Newspapers and More online resource included in the University of Alaska capital budget request.

Student Expulsion: The Board approved the one-year expulsion of a Nikiski High School student for violation of Board Policy 5131.6, Alcohol and Other Drugs.

Language Arts Curriculum: The Board unanimously approved the language arts curriculum.

AR 5144, Elementary and Secondary Discipline Guides: The Board tabled action on AR 5144 until a worksession can be held to discuss the regulation in more detail.

Seward Bus Route Bus Purchase: The Board unanimously approved the purchase two new busses for the Seward bus route. This purchase will be phase two of a plan to replace aging units in the Seward operation and that the expenditures are expected to be reimbursed at 100% with state appropriations through the Pupil Transportation fund.

Soldotna Middle School Addition Project Postponement: The Board unanimously approved a recommendation to ask the Borough to leave the appropriation for the schematic design of an addition to Soldotna Middle School in abeyance until some appropriate future date.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, February 21, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

February 21, 2000

NEWS IN BRIEF

**SCHOOL REPORTS:** Mr. Dennis Dunn, Kenai Alternative High principal, reported that the school has an enrollment of 63 students. He stated that Title I and Quality Schools Initiative money will allow the school to be open one evening per week. He stated that KAHS only accepts students who are 100 percent unsuccessful at their previous school. He noted that the school offers a flexible student schedule and that the staff continuously works towards developing a program that will meet the needs of the students. He stated that classes are kept at 16 students. He reported that the school has relocated in the new wing of the Kenai Elementary building. He presented a slide show including pictures of students and staff participating in classroom activities, students and staff using the home economics facility, students and their babies, the counseling services counselor, and students participating in physical education activities in the gymnasium. Ms. Vickie Roney displayed student artwork and explained how art is integrated into the curriculum. Four students spoke to the Board about how the alternative school has made completing their high school education possible. Mr. Dunn announced that he expects to have 25 students graduate this spring. Mr. Dunn stated that the mission of the school is to create an environment where students feel that they can accomplish anything they choose.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Dr. Peterson reported that Mr. McLain is now working 6 hours per day. She noted that forms are available for the British Petroleum Teachers of Excellence Program nominations. She reminded the Board that the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner of Education and Early Development will be visiting the Peninsula and a schedule of his itinerary has been made available. She announced that February is School Board recognition month and a cake and certificates were presented to the Board. She congratulated Sylvia Reynolds, Soldotna High School principal, for being chosen as the Alaska Principal of the Year.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mr. Hickey presented the financial report of the District for the period ending January 31, 2000. He called the Board's attention to Fund 276; the correct budget amount should read \$10,000.

**Resignations:** The Board unanimously approved resignations from Heather Lentz, occupational therapist, districtwide special services; Mark Kessler, counselor/teacher, Nikolaevsk Elementary/High; Kelli Kessler, Title I reading specialist, Nikolaevsk Elementary/High; and Robert Boyle, principal, Seward Elementary.

**Long-Term Substitute Contract:** The Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Cindy Weeks, science, Nikiski Middle/High; and Jim Nelson, special education/resource, Homer High.

**Leave of Absence/Support:** The Board unanimously approved a one-year, unpaid leave of absence for the 2000-2001 school year for Dawn Conn, school secretary III, Skyview High.

**Early Graduation Request:** The Board unanimously approved an early graduation request for a Voznesenka Elementary/High student.



Revision to AR 5141.21, Administering Medication: The Board postponed action on this item.

2000-2001 Administrator Contracts: The Board unanimously approved a revised list of administrator and central office contracts for the 2000-2001 school year.

Superintendent Involvement with Student Expulsions: The Board unanimously approved a change in procedure requiring the superintendent to be available on an "as called" basis during student expulsion deliberations to answer questions that might arise.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, March 6, 2000, at 7:30 p.m., **Homer High School, Homer**, Alaska.

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## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

March 6, 2000

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**SCHOOL REPORTS:** Mr. Rich Toymil, Paul Banks Elementary principal, stated that he is working with the finest staff and a positive and supportive parent and community body. He stated that the school environment is positive and child-centered. He reported that the school offers a breakfast program provided by volunteers, donations and a grant through the Community Schools Program. He stated that teachers and specialists share ideas and problem-solving strategies regarding student needs and curriculum specifics. He reported that assessment scores are on the rise in the areas of CBM and DIBBLES and that remediation opportunities are provided by Title I funds, Quality Schools Initiative grants, resource staff, QUEST and regular education teachers. Mr. Toymil stated that the school specials include music, physical education and library. He noted that the Borough Maintenance Department has worked to upgrade air quality, plumbing and heating and provided painting. He added that asbestos abatement and playground equipment improvement is scheduled for the future. He reported that the Homer Charter School and Connections Programs share the Paul Banks Elementary facility. Mr. Toymil reported that the school offers an after-school program in arts. Ms. Renda Horn presented Mrs. Kirby's kindergarten's class who demonstrated movement to music and acted out the meaning of words.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:** Mrs. Germano and Mrs. Gross presented awards of appreciation to Sally Burns, Paul Banks Elementary; Loraine Murphy, Homer High; Susie Peterson, Homer High; Mark Robinson, Homer High; and Bill Searle, Homer High for their outstanding contributions to education and the District.

Mrs. Gross presented a certificate of recognition to Dick Sanders for successfully passing the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Dr. Peterson noted that Department of Education and Early Development Commissioner, Rick Cross, recently visited District Schools and conducted public forums on the Quality Schools Initiative. She stated that the Commissioner left with a new awareness of what it takes to educate students on the Kenai Peninsula. She reported that the Board and Borough Assembly conducted a joint worksession on the 2000-2001 budget. She reported that she attended the AASA Superintendent's Conference and came away with new information and inspiration. She noted that the next Board meeting is March 27, 2000.

**Resignation:** The Board unanimously approved resignation: effective at the end of the 1999-2000 school year from Susan Matthews, occupational therapist, districtwide special services; Heidi Jacobson, math, Skyview High; Nancy Boyle, English/special education, Seward Middle/High; Hilary Matthews, English, Skyview High; and Fred Deussing, principal, Chapman Elementary.

**Budget Transfer:** The Board unanimously approved budget transfer Number 263 for \$35,000 for

administrator costs for Aurora Borealis Charter School.

Long-Term Substitute Teacher: The Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Cheryl Chastain, language arts, Soldotna Middle School.

Early Graduation Request: The Board unanimously approved a request for early graduation from a Nikiski Middle/High School student.

2000-2001 Tentative Tenure Teacher Assignments: The Board unanimously approved a list of tentative tenure teacher assignments for the 2000-2001 school year.

HOMER ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION Contract for Long-Term Electric Service: The Board unanimously approved a five-year contract for electrical services to locations currently being served by Homer Electric Association.

Nikiski Reconfiguration Project: The Board postponed action on a recommendation to discontinue further reconfiguration efforts of the Nikiski Area schools and refrain from any financial expenditures.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, March 27, 2000, at 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

March 27, 2000

NEWS IN BRIEF

**SCHOOL REPORTS:** Mr. Lee Young, Soldotna Middle School principal, thanked Mr. Darrell Hagen for chaperoning students to Washington, D.C., during spring break. He stated that the students and staff have created an informative video of the school, which could be used to send home for parents to view with a videotape or compact disc. He thanked Ms. Cannava and Mr. Harro for their contribution towards creating the multi-media school report. Ms. Cannava thanked the Vocational Education Department staff for the Carl Perkins grant that provided funds for the equipment used to produce the video. Ms. Cannava also thanked the Community Schools Program for a grant covering the cost of the materials. The video showed the school facility, an interview with Ms. Paula Christensen regarding the middle school philosophy, pictures of students in extracurricular activities, a review of the school assessment scores by Mr. Young and examples of various community involvement and other student activities.

**Awards and Presentations:** The Board presented awards of appreciation to Beth Martin, head secretary, Soldotna High School; Justin "Buck" George, custodian, Soldotna High School; and Fran Stetson, resource teacher, Tustumena Elementary School for their outstanding contributions to education and the District. The Board also presented an award of appreciation to Mr. Paul Sorenson, Kenai Middle School principal, for being selected as the 1999 Alaska Secondary School Administrators' Association Principal of the Year.

**Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Peterson noted that the minutes from the downsizing committee's first meeting are available on the District web site. She noted that the Technology Plan was presented to the Assembly at their last meeting, and the plan will be acted on at the April 4 Assembly meeting.

**Financial Report:** Mr. Hickey presented the financial report of the District for the period ending February 29, 2000.

**Elementary and Secondary Discipline Guides:** The Board unanimously approved AR 5144, Elementary and Secondary Discipline Guides. The guides will replace the current Secondary Disciplinary Chart, E 5144.

**Resignations:** The Board unanimously approved resignations from Linda Kay Smith, special education/resource, Seward Elementary; Alex Trout, Kachemak Selo and Voznesenka Elementary/High principal; Christina Hum, generalist, Bartlett Elementary/High; Gregory Scott Mengel, principal, K-Beach Elementary; Aaron Stansberry, principal/teacher, Bartlett Elementary/High and Suzanne Stansberry, Grade K-2 teacher, Bartlett Elementary/High.

**Leave of Absence Requests/Certified:** The Board unanimously approved an unpaid leave of

absence request for the 2000-2001 school year for Jennifer Knutson, school psychologist, districtwide; and Todd Knutson, school psychologist, districtwide.

Administrator Appointment: The Board unanimously approved Dr. Ron Keffer as principal of Homer High School.

Student Expulsion: The Board unanimously approved the expulsion of a Kenai Alternative High School student for violation of Board Policy 5131.6, Alcohol and Other Drugs.

FY 2000-2001 Budget: The Board unanimously approved the FY 2000-2001 annual budget in the amount of \$86,078,978. Included in the budget is a request for Kenai Peninsula Borough contributions for in-kind and local appropriation to the “cap” for the general fund in the amount of \$29,664,872.

2000-2001 Tentative Board Meeting Dates: The Board unanimously approved a tentative list of School Board meetings and miscellaneous dates for the 2000-2001 school year.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, April 17, 2000, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

April 17, 2000

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**SCHOOL REPORTS:** Mr. Paul Kubena, Sterling Elementary principal, stated that the school has an enrollment of 271 students with 12 regular education staff members. He stated that the interior of the school has been newly painted and that new playground equipment and soccer goals will be installed this summer. He reported that the school took a partnership role in the sponsorship of the Head Start Program. He announced that Sterling Elementary is one of 12 schools districtwide involved in a reading intervention pilot program and noted that the program has been successful. Mr. Kubena stated that the school has activated a student council whose membership serves the school's needs by providing school spirit, creating after-school activities, raising money, and coordinating community service involvement. He reported that with money provided by the Safe and Drug Free Schools Program, the school has started a conflict resolution program to assist students with resolving disputes in a peaceful manner. He reported that the school has also initiated a social skills program titled, Stop and Think, where student behavior issues are being proactively circumvented through systematic training of specific social skills and includes monthly schoolwide celebrations of student achievement. He reported that the teachers are including art in the teaching of language arts and they are planning a districtwide workshop to be held at Sterling Elementary School given by Dr. Kathy Schwartz. He thanked Skyview High School staff members, Diane Silva, Terry Zopf, Greg Zorbas and Betty Miller who, in partnership with Sterling Elementary, offered the Adopt-a-Reader Program, conducted theatrical performances, and organized a hands-on health fair. Mrs. Biggs directed several students in two songs; one song was performed with hand bells.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:** Board members presented awards of appreciation to Lynn Dusek, first grade teacher, Redoubt Elementary; Patricia Glaze, Title I tutor, North Star Elementary; Brad Nyquist, eighth grade teacher, Kenai Middle School; and Wayne Young, principal/teacher, Port Graham Elementary/High. The Board also presented an award of appreciation to Sylvia Reynolds, Soldotna High School principal for being selected as the 2000 Alaska Secondary School Administrators' Association Principal of the Year.

Mr. Chuck Boll, Laidlaw Transit Soldotna Terminal Manager, and Steve Kalmes, National Association for Pupil Transportation Board Member, presented Ms. Wanema Arndt, Laidlaw Bus Driver, with the Bluebird Heroism Award for assisting during a one-car automobile accident that occurred along her bus route.

Several students received awards for their artwork, which was on display at the Capitol Building in Juneau and later in the Borough Assembly Room.

Miss Melinda Haring recognized Heleena Hanson and Norton Dablemont, Skyview High School students, for being outstanding students.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Dr. Peterson reported that the Borough Assembly will take action on the District FY01 budget and the technology plan. She announced that the Nikiski Reconfiguration Committee will meet on April 27 to prepare input for the Board. She stated that the Downsizing Committee has been renamed the Committee for Operational Efficiency. She announced that former District superintendent, Dale Sandahl, will facilitate a task force, which has been created to review the delivery of student activities in the District. She reported that meetings will be held April 20, 27 and May 4 at Central Office. She reported that she attended a heartwarming presentation made to the Nikolaevsk School and community by the Borough Assembly of a history book containing old records and pictures of the founding of the village. She reminded the public that the next meeting will be held in Seward at the Seward High School. Dr. Peterson announced that Terri Carter's 5/6 grade class at K-Beach Elementary is currently featured in Time for Kids and are recognized as heroes of the planet. She announced that Melinda Haring has been named as one of the recipients of the June Nelson Scholarship award for \$1,000.

**SAFE SCHOOLS REPORT:** Dr. Peterson reported on specific training and collaboration related to critical incident

preparedness, safety, emergency management, and law enforcement information regarding activities occurring within the District.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mr. Hickey reported on budget transfers Numbers 68 through 94 for various schools and departments within the District.

**BUDGET TRANSFER REPORT:** Mr. Hickey presented the financial report of the District for the period ending March 31, 2000.

**AR 5141.21, Administering Medication:** The Board unanimously approved a revision to AR 5141.21, Administering Medication to correct a management and responsibility problem involving student possession of medication while on school campus.

**Budget Transfer:** The Board unanimously approved budget transfer Number 382 for \$17,500 to adjust for a chart of account change effective, July 1, 1999, which was subsequent to adoption of the FY00 pupil transportation fund budget.

**Adoption of AR 0420, School-Based Management/Site Councils:** The Board removed this item from the agenda.

**Resignations:** The Board unanimously approved resignations from Rebecca Hunter, pool director, Kenai Central High; Juventino "Sonny" Morin, Spanish, Homer High; and Deborah Langford, Grade 3, Redoubt Elementary.

**Long-Term Substitute Contracts:** The Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Don McKeon, special education/resource, Seward Middle/High; and Tanya Erwin, kindergarten, Soldotna Elementary.

**Leave of Absence – Certified:** The Board unanimously approved an unpaid leave of absence request for the 2000-2001 school year for Johana Idzerda, Grades 7-12, Voznesenka Elementary; Margaret Gilman, QUEST, Mt. View Elementary; and Susan Wells, Grade 6, Kenai Middle.

**Leave of Absence – Support:** The Board unanimously approved an unpaid leave of absence request for the 2000-2001 school year for Chob Labnongsang, custodian I, Nikiski Middle/High.

**Medical Leave of Absence – Certified:** The Board unanimously approved an unpaid medical leave of absence request for the 1999-2000 school year for Margaret Gilman, QUEST, Mt. View Elementary.

**ADMINISTRATOR ASSIGNMENT:** The Board unanimously approved the appointment of David Kingsland as principal of Seward Elementary.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, May 1, 2000, 7:30 p.m., **Seward High School, Seward, Alaska.**

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## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

May 1, 2000

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**SCHOOL REPORTS:** Mr. Steve Smith, Cooper Landing Elementary principal/teacher, reported that the K-8 grade school has 39 students a principal/teacher, two regular education teachers, and a part-time special services teacher. He reported that the school uses a multiage approach which emphasizes learning through class projects that are relevant to the community. He presented several collages containing pictures of student projects during the past year. He reported that the school publications include a magazine called, *Our Point of View*, pamphlets which profile the local flora and fauna, and approximately 150 books written and illustrated by students. He stated that recently, Grade 3-5 students authored and posted a website which includes historical data of Cooper Landing, profiles school staff and provides information about many of the school's programs. Mr. Smith reported that an ASTF grant provided funds to publish a book entitled, *Wild Alaskan Plants of the Kenai Peninsula*, which was written by Grade 6-8 students. He reported that the school also celebrates learning through the annual Christmas Program, Battle of the Books competition, science expositions, and the millennium museum. He commended the parents and community members for their whole-hearted support of the school. He noted that the members of the Dall Homemakers organization read to students, listen to students read out loud and raise money for school needs. He reported that Cooper Landing Elementary students typically perform very well on the CAT/5 and District standardized assessment measures. He announced that 6 out of 10 seventh and eighth grade students qualified for the Johns Hopkins youth talent search. He stated that next year, students will work on a project focusing on the K'beq and Hchan'yut historical archaeological sites located near the Russian River Camp Ground funded by a \$10,000 grant awarded by the Toyota Tapestry Foundation to Mrs. Sotelo, teacher.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:** The Board presented a golden apple award to Ms. Celiene Turner, Moose Pass Elementary custodian, for her outstanding service to the District.

The Board also presented an award of appreciation to Mr. Ralph Steeves, Moose Pass principal, for being selected as the Alaska Association of Elementary School Principals' 1999 Principal/Teacher of the Year.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Dr. Peterson reported that Mr. Syverson is at a job fair recruiting candidates for specialized positions that are difficult to fill. She reported that 185 high school students were honored at the academic recognition night for receiving a 4.0 grade point average throughout the year. She noted that 12 of those students had earned a 4.0 average for all four years of high school. Dr. Peterson reported that the Caring For the Kenai competition was recently held with the final banquet held on April 28. She announced that the District received the Employer Support of Guard and Reserve Award from the National Guard. She announced that Seward High School received a \$21,000 grant from the Department of Education and Early Development to pay for specialized remediation programs for students who do not meet the benchmark cutoff. Dr. Peterson reported that she will participate in a statewide task force that will submit to Senator Stevens a long-term distance education and technology plan to enhance and expand distance education opportunities for all Alaskans. She reported that in cooperation with the Sea Life Center and GCI Cable Network, Seward Elementary will soon have a live broadcast of the Chiswell sea lion rookery located in Resurrection Bay. She reported that the District provided a live webcast of the Soldotna High School spring band concert and that 75 people joined online from outside the District.

**AR 0420, School-Based Management/Site Councils:** The Board unanimously approved AR 0420, School-Based Management/Site Councils, which was recommended in response to the following Board goal: revisit and clarify roles, relationships, and expectations for site councils.

**Resignations:** The Board unanimously approved resignations from Roderick Ladd, principal, West Homer



Elementary (effective the end of the 2000-2001 school year); Lillian Seapy, business education, Soldotna High (effective the end of the 1999-2000 school year; and Scott O'Tremba, principal, Homer Middle (effective the end of the 1999-2000 school year).

Budget Transfer: The Board unanimously approved budget transfer Number 453 for \$16,180 to cover substitute costs for an employee on an approved extended medical leave.

New teacher Assignment 2000-2001: The Board unanimously approved teaching appointments for the 2000-2001 school year for Clayton Holland, special education/severe and resource, Kenai Middle and Kenai Central High and for Erika Gustafson, generalist, Bartlett Elementary/High.

Leave of Absence Request–Support: The Board unanimously approved an unpaid leave of absence request from Teresa Calhoun, special education aide, Paul Banks Elementary (effective the 2000-2001 school year) and from Jackie Haeg, supply buyer, warehouse (effective May 15, 2000, through May 15, 2001).

Long-Term Substitute Teacher: The Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Reubin Payne, Grade 4, Redoubt Elementary.

Tentative nontenure Teacher Assignments 2000-2001: The Board unanimously approved a list of tentative nontenure teacher assignments for the 2000-2001 school year.

Nontenured Teachers for Tenure 2000-2001: The Board approved a list of nontenured teachers for tenure for the 2000-2001 school year.

Administrator Appointments: The Board unanimously approved the appointment of Gregg Wilbanks as principal of Chapman Elementary and Fred Colvin as principal/teacher of Bartlett Elementary/High.

FIRST READING OF POLICY REVISIONS: The Board heard a first reading of BP 2120, Superintendent of Schools; BP 2121, Superintendent's Contract; BP and E 2122, Superintendent of Schools: Job Description; BP, AR and E 2123, Evaluation of the Superintendent; and BP 0420, School-Based Management/Site Councils.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, May 15, 2000, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

148 N. Binkley Street

Soldotna, AK 99669

Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

May 15, 2000

NEWS IN BRIEF

**SCHOOL REPORTS:** Mrs. Robin Williams, Nikiski Middle/High School principal, stated that the school had two broad goals relating to instruction and school climate. She reported that it has been a tough year and that the Critical Incident Team met five times. She reported that as part of the instruction goal, the staff focused on the implementation of content standards by aligning their instruction with the High School Qualifying Exam. She stated that students were also taught that what they were learning was pertinent to life as well as the school standard. She stated that the school climate goal related to positive community relations which included streamlining their school newsletter. She reported that there are almost 100 parents on the school email address list and that they receive weekly notifications and updates regarding school happenings. She reported that the school implemented a faculty wellness campaign and she displayed a booklet containing wellness suggestions and a section to individually keep track of accomplishments via a point system. She stated that prizes were awarded to those with the most points. Mrs. Manion, teacher, and Miss Ramona Baker, student, each told the Board how the staff and students were using content standards.

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS:** Several students received awards for their artwork, which was on display at the Capitol Building in Juneau and later in the Borough Assembly Room.

The Board presented golden apple awards to Pauline Mills, Tustumena head secretary; Patty Tilbury, Ninilchik Elementary/High custodian; Beth Kellie, North Star Elementary volunteer; Tina Stamer, North Star Elementary Title I tutor; Sharon Traughber, Nikiski Middle/High attendance secretary; Bruce Rife, Soldotna High School science teacher; Lynn Pattison, Nikiski Middle/High School volunteer; Sean Dusek, Soldotna Middle School math teacher and athletic director and Dave McCard, Sterling Elementary second grade teacher.

The Board presented engraved gold pans as a retirement gift to Sharon Traughber and Jeanie Partee and a library book in lieu of a gold pan was donated to the Seward Elementary School for Kay Smith. Silvia Masis and Richard Gennari were also recognized but were not present to accept their gold pans.

Miss Haring, School Board student representative, recognized Matt Peters and Tessa Rhyner, Kenai Central High School seniors, for their outstanding community service and volunteer work.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Dr. McLain reminded the Board of the upcoming graduation schedule beginning Wednesday, May 17. He reported that the final Administrator Meeting was held Tuesday, May 9, and that the Central Office planning retreat was held Thursday, May 11. He announced that the School Board planning session will be held on Tuesday, June 6.

**Certified Diploma Report and Recommendations:** Dr. McLain presented the certified diploma report and recommendations and highlighted sections of the report.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mr. Hickey presented the financial report of the District for the period ending April 30, 2000.

**Budget Transfer Number 487:** The Board unanimously approved budget transfer Number 487 for \$98,000 to cover costs of 2 portable classrooms and playground fencing and equipment.

**AR 2123, Evaluation of the Superintendent:** The Board unanimously approved the adoption of AR 2124, Evaluation of the Superintendent. The regulation requires a mid-year review of the Superintendent's performance to be conducted between the Superintendent and Board president. The annual evaluation will occur with the entire Board and the Superintendent prior to June 30.

**Aurora Borealis Charter School Expansion Plan:** The Board unanimously approved the Aurora Borealis Charter School

plan to grow by one classroom per year.

**Class Size Reduction Initiative Grant:** The Board unanimously approved the Class Size Reduction Initiative grant, 2000–2001 school year. This grant is designed to lower class sizes in Grades 1–3 of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District.

**ResignationS:** The Board unanimously approved resignations from Richard Gennari, Grade 5, North Star Elementary, Katherine Schwartz, art specialist, districtwide instruction; Gregory Maddigan, English/social studies, Homer High; Tamie Bebee, special education/resource, West Homer Elementary and Wendy Weber, special education/resource, Chapman Elementary.

**Leave of Absence Request/Certified:** The Board unanimously approved an unpaid leave of absence request from Steve Smith, principal/teacher, Cooper Landing Elementary.

**Leave of Absence Request/Support:** The Board unanimously approved an unpaid leave of absence request from Marcia Boone, school secretary III, Homer Middle.

**Long-Term Substitute Teacher Contract:** The Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Carol Boehmler, QUEST, Mt. View Elementary.

**Administrator Assignments:** The Board unanimously approved the appointment of Ray Hillman as principal of Voznesenka Elementary and Trena Richardson as principal of K-Beach Elementary.

**Student Expulsion:** The Board unanimously approved the expulsion of a student for assault of a teacher and another student.

**Nikiski Reconfiguration Project Recommendations:** The Board postponed action on a recommendation from the Advisory Committee for the Reconfiguration of Nikiski Elementary School to advertise for architectural schematic services only utilizing those funds previously appropriated by the Borough Assembly.

**BP 2120, Superintendent of Schools:** The Board unanimously approved a revision to BP 2120, Superintendent of Schools, which will align the District policy more closely with Association of Alaska School Board model.

**BP 2122, Superintendent of Schools–Job Description:** The Board unanimously approved a revision to BP 2122, Superintendent of Schools: Job Description, which will align the District policy more closely with Association of Alaska School Board model.

**BP 2123, Evaluation of the Superintendent:** The Board unanimously approved a revision to BP 2123, Evaluation of the Superintendent, which will align the District policy more closely with Association of Alaska School Board model.

**BP 0420, School-Based Management/Site Councils:** The Board unanimously approved the adoption of BP 0420, School-Based Management/Site Councils. The new language updates information regarding school-based management/site councils.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, June 5, 2000, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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Dr. Donna Peterson, Superintendent

June 5, 2000

NEWS IN BRIEF

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Dr. Peterson reported that the Board has been involved with worksessions all day. She reported that the Operational Efficiency Committee has decided that no further meetings are necessary and therefore are permanently adjourned. Dr. Peterson read a letter from the National School Board Association recognizing Mari-Anne Gross and Debra Mullins as outstanding school board members. They both received a certificate and a service pin.

**New Teacher Appointments 2000-2001:** The Board unanimously approved teaching assignments for the 2000-2001 school year for Timothy McIntyre, school psychologist, districtwide special services and Jill Faulkner, generalist, Bartlett Elementary/High School.

**Long-Term Substitute Teacher Contract:** The Board unanimously approved a 19-day substitute teaching contract for Dawn Brighton, social studies, Soldotna Middle.

**Resignation:** The Board unanimously approved resignations from Terrie Kane, special education/severe, Seward Middle/High; Sherri Burt, Grades 5/6, Susan B. English Elementary/High; and Staci Suneson, speech pathologist, districtwide special services

**Budget Transfers:** The Board unanimously approved Budget Transfer Number 692 for \$15,000 to cover costs associated with Connected University membership, which will allow staff development opportunities, and Budget Transfer Number 694 for \$45,000 to cover part of the costs of personalized education plan coordinators.

**Tentative Nontenure Teaching Assignment:** The Board unanimously approved tentative nontenure teaching assignments for Alexei Basargin, Russian/math; Lynnette Elliott-James, Kindergarten; and Sandra J. Lewis, Grade 1 (temporary).

**Rescission of Resignation:** The Board unanimously approved rescinding the resignation of Rick Ladd, West Homer Elementary principal.

**Cocurricular Activities and Handbooks:** The Board unanimously approved changes to the Cocurricular Activities Guidelines proposed by the member schools of the Kenai Peninsula Student Activities Association. The proposed changes were discussed and revised earlier at a Board worksession.

**Nikiski Reconfiguration Project Recommendations:** The Board unanimously approved a recommendation from the Nikiski Reconfiguration Advisory Committee for the Reconfiguration of Nikiski Elementary School and the advertisement of architectural schematic services only utilizing

those funds previously appropriated by the Borough Assembly.

**Capital Bond Issue Project List:** The Board unanimously approved a capital project plan in the amount of \$11,054,000. HB 281 allows the Borough and District to create \$7,429,000 in bonded project funding. The projects are eligible to be reimbursed at 70%, which will generate a \$5,200,300 commitment from the state of Alaska against a Borough contribution of \$2,225,700. The bonds must be approved by a vote of the public and the commissioner of education.

**Administrator Appointments:** The Board unanimously approved the appointment of Mark Norgren as principal of Nikiski Elementary; Glen Szymoniak as principal of Homer Middle; Allan Miller as assistant principal of Skyview High; Terri Orr as principal/teacher of Cooper Landing Elementary; and Randy Creamer as principal/teacher of K-Selo Elementary.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, July 10, 2000, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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