KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 148 N. Binkley Street Soldotna, AK 99669

John Dahlgren, Superintendent

May 4, 1998

NEWS IN BRIEF

HOPE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPORT - Merry Zogas and several students presented two humorous skits and a juggling act that the students learned from an artist-in-residence who recently visited Hope Elementary School.

SEANET PROJECT FUNDED BY THE CHRISTA MCAULIFFE FELLOWSHIP - Jerry Dixon and several QUEST students demonstrated the web pages developed through funding provided by the Christa McAuliffe Fellowship program. The web pages displayed a walking tour and a variety of information pertaining to the Seward SeaLife Center facility.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS - Mr. Arness presented awards of appreciation to DeEtta Scarborough, Seward Elementary teacher, and Pat Dye, Cooper Landing Elementary lead teacher, for their outstanding contributions to education and the District.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Mr. Dahlgren announced that the Strategic Planning Update session will be held at Skyview High School, May 9, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and that the District retirement ceremony honoring all retiring employees will be held at Soldotna High School, May 18, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Mr. Dahlgren reported that two Board members and members of the central office administration developed guidelines to be used to solicit school photography and graduation paraphernalia bids. Vendors will bid on a basic package which was developed for each contract.

EARLY GRADUATION REQUEST - The Board unanimously approved an early graduation request for a Soldotna High student to graduate at the end of the first semester of the 1998-99 school year.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUESTS/CERTIFIED - The Board unanimously approved unpaid leave of absence requests for the 1998-99 school year for Paula O'Connell, special services/resources, Sears Elementary and Sherri Burt, math/physical education, Susan B. English Elementary/High.

RESIGNATION - The Board unanimously approved resignations effective at the end of the 1997-98 school year from Elizabeth Hull, deaf education teacher, Districtwide special services and Dory Munder, English/social studies, Susan B. English Elementary/High.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST/SUPPORT - The Board unanimously approved a one-year unpaid leave of absence for the 1998-99 school year for Elena Chernichoff, bilingual instructor/migrant tutor, Voznesenka School.

1998-99 NON-TENURE TEACHERS FOR TENURE - The Board unanimously approved a listing of non-tenure teachers for tenure for the 1998-99 school year.

1998-99 TENTATIVE NON-TENURE TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS - The Board unanimously approved a listing of tentative non-tenure teacher assignments for the 1998-99 school year.

1999 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT LIST - The Board unanimously approved a listing of capital improvement projects in the total amount of \$986,892.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE ANCHOR POINT BEACH-COMMUNITY SAFETY TRAIL - The Board approved language to be included in a letter of support for the Anchor Point Beach Community Safety Trail proposal.

ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENTS - The Board unanimously approved the appointments of R. Lee Young, assistant principal, Soldotna Middle, and Norma Holmgaard, coordinator, Grants/Parent Involvement District Wide.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION - The Board accepted the resignation of Board member Mrs. Joyce Fischer, effective June 30, 1998. The Board will solicit applications for a replacement until May 22, interview candidates during a special Board meeting on June 1, make a selection during the June 8 regular Board meeting, and swear in a replacement during the July 6 Board meeting. The replacement will serve from July 6 through the October 1998 elections.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, May 18, 1998, 7:30 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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