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

December 6, 2010 – 7:00 p.m. Dr. Steve Atwater, Superintendent Borough Administration Building - 148 N. Binkley Soldotna, Alaska

WORKSESSION REPORT: The Board held several worksessions prior to the formal business meeting which included Six-Year Plan and School Construction Needs, iSafe discussion and the Personal and Social Skills Standards.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS: The Board presented a Golden Apple Award to The Warfield family for their service to Sterling Elementary and the District.

Mr. Joe Gallagher, Mr. Brad Hibberd and Mrs. Sandra Ghormley, representatives from Homer Electric Association, commended the West Homer Elementary principal and staff for their assistance with the HEA Energy Fair and presented Mr. Marshall with a check to pay for student field trips and an energy kit.

SCHOOL REPORT: Mrs. Christine Ermold, Sterling Elementary principal, introduced Mr. Mick Audette and his music students who performed a Trinidad holiday song. She explained the school's use of positive behavior support which focuses on appropriate student conduct. The students concluded the report by singing the new school song written by Mr. Audette.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Dr. Atwater announced that student drug testing recommendations will be provided to the Board at the January meeting. He reported that the District instructional team will meet with teachers throughout the district regarding the curriculum management plan. He reported that the state special education audit was outstanding and that the District administrative section scored 100% in compliance and the student section scored 95% in compliance.

FIVE-YEAR PUPIL ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS: Mr. Jones presented the Five-Year Enrollment Projections (2011-12 through 2015-16) that reflects 9,086 students for FY12.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Mr. Dave Jones presented the financial report of the District for the period ending October 31, 2010.

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM: The Board unanimously approved the proposed revised Career and Technical Education Curriculum.

SIX-YEAR PLAN AND SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION NEEDS: The Board unanimously approved the proposed Six-Year Plan and list of major maintenance and capital improvement projects for FY11 through 2017.

NEW TEACHER CONTRACTS: The Board unanimously approved new teacher contracts for Holly Alston, (temporary) primary grade teacher/Title I teacher, Chapman Elementary; Laurie A. Kerley, (temporary), facilitator gifted teacher .50 FTE, Mountain View Elementary; Michelle D. Thomason, (temporary), elementary school mentor teacher, Mountain View Elementary; and Tammy L. Taylor, (temporary), kindergarten/first grade teacher, Nikolaevsk School.

RESIGNATIONS: The Board unanimously approved resignations, effective at the end of the 2010-2011 school year, from John M. Cook, Principal, Mountain View Elementary; Jamie

Leman, Special Ed/Resource, Ninilchik School; Catherine Turnbull, Grade 1, Seward Elementary; John Christensen, Math, Soldotna Middle.

LONG-TERM SUBSTITUTE CONTRACTS: The Board unanimously approved long-term substitute contracts for Caitlin Caffall, Kaleidoscope Charter; Marsha Gustkey, Mountain View Elementary; Heather Callen, Seward High; Jennifer Tabor, Soldotna Middle; and Charles Eric Sundheim, Voznesenka School.

HSGQE: The Board unanimously approved high school graduation qualifying exam waiver request Number 2011-008.

REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE-SUPPORT: The Board unanimously approved a leave of absence for Jack E. Bennett, custodian I, McNeil Canyon Elementary (effective November 10, 2010 through the end of the 2010-11 school year).

RESOLUTION 10-11-4, PRIMARY SPONSOR OF GAMING PERMITS: The Board unanimously approved Resolution 10-11-4, a revised listing of the primary and alternate members in charge of gaming for those schools applying for gaming permits for FY11.

PERFORMANCE BASED PERSONAL AND SOCIAL SKILLS K-6 CURRICULUM: The Board unanimously approved the adoption of the Performance Based Personal & Social Skills K-6 Curriculum.

POLICY ADOPTION: The Board unanimously approved the adoption of BP 3515.7, Restrictions on Sex Offenders on Campus.

FY11 GENERAL FUND BUDGET REVISION: The Board unanimously approved budget adjustments to the FY11 general fund revenue and expenditure budgets in the amount of \$2,771,323 for a total general fund amount of \$132,388,161.

FIRST READING OF POLICY REVISIONS: The Board heard a first reading of revisions to BB 9250, Compensation, Reimbursement, and Other Benefits.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regularly scheduled School Board Meeting is Monday, January 10, 2011, 7:00 p.m., Borough Administration Building, Soldotna, Alaska.

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