

**Kenai Peninsula Borough School District
Federal Programs Advisory Committee Meeting
April 24, 2012 9:00 am – 11:00 am
Land's End Resort, Homer, AK**

MEETING MINUTES

Welcome & Introductions

Meeting began at 9:02 am

Welcome by Sandy Miller, Asst. Director of Federal Programs

Members and Guests introduced themselves:

- Sandra Miller, Assistant Director of Federal Programs
- Jan Kornstad, Nikiski Community Member & Grandparent
- Kelly King, Homeless Liaison Central Peninsula/Seward Areas
- Ksenia Kuzmin, Voznesenka School & Parent
- Fenya Basargin, Razdolna School & Parent
- Mike Peterson, Project Grad
- Kelly Luck, Homeless Liaison Homer Area
- Hannah Toporek, ELL Specialist
- Michelle Thomason, Professional Development Coordinator for 2012-13
- Catherine Gibson, Community Member, Sterling
- Tim Vlasak, Director Federal Programs, K-12 Schools & Assessment
- Maribeth Snell, Admin Secretary, Title I
- Mary Blossom, Admin Secretary, Director/ELL/Migrant & Parent

Sandy stated she will gather input as we proceed through the agenda and offer discussion opportunities instead of completing an informational survey.

Review of minutes from October 6 meeting

Hannah ~ ELL Program Update

Presented information of this year's ELL Program

- Created guide for district secretaries and counselors explaining the ELL enrollment process, this was written in response to several questions coming to the office
- Will receive ACCESS results from this year's ELL testing sometime in June. There will be district, school, teacher and parent reports
- New 2012-2017 LEP Plan of Service is done and available on the district website for public feedback
- Created a training module for ELL staff and the certified teachers who work with them to increase communication and best use of paraprofessionals
- Provided lots of good professional development this year that was very well received. Teachers and tutors using the strategies and activities
- Rosetta Stone finalization for language development
 - ✓ English course for high school ELL students scheduled to roll out this fall

Kelly King ~ Students in Transition (Homeless Program)

Program update

- 222 identified in program, little lower than this time last year
- 159 Central Peninsula/Seward and 63 in Homer Area
- 40% unaccompanied youth, very high in comparison statewide
- Three part series in Peninsula Clarion highlighting the student homeless issue which in turn upped community involvement with homeless teens

- Lower peninsula homeless count is down, families have been eliminated because their situation has not changed, meaning they may still be doubled up, but now do not qualify
- Funding
 - ✓ McKinney-Vento grant at about \$15,000
 - ✓ 710, student activity fund – Fred Meyer community donation \$4,000-\$5,000
 - ✓ Purchase school supplies, backpacks, hygiene products, clothing, winter gear, transportation, laundry and shower vouchers

Sandy ~ Title I-A

- Budget reduced by approximately \$20,000
- \$450,000 in set-asides out of total \$1.9 million budget
 - ✓ 1% Parent Involvement
 - ✓ 5% Highly Qualified
 - ✓ 10% Professional Development
 - ✓ 20% SES, Supplemental Education Service – Choice. Offers school choice and child transportation; Mt. View is only school now in Choice
- 6 Pre-Ks this year; next year we will have 9, adding Seward, Sterling and Paul Banks
- Pre-K will diminish Title I funds for teacher salary support
- Plan is for intervention support to pick up the need
- Pre-K teachers continue to meet once a quarter for collaboration
- Title I teachers will be at almost every elementary and K-12 school, but will not be fully funded with Title I funds
- Helped fund Write Tools inservice in collaboration with SpEd department
- If waiver is approved, set asides will go away and that money returns to the basic budget
- On federal level, NCLB up for reauthorization, but will not happen until after presidential election
- Danielson model for teacher evaluations, 20% student growth expected
- Common Core:
 - ✓ National movement, 47 states developed core of instruction designed to provide more rigor into instruction
 - ✓ Alaska has taken common core and tweaked language so we can opt out of the entire standards as was required
- Next year we will be monitored; state will come in and ask for evidence and documentation of our program; interested in compliance issues and parent involvement; will visit a couple schools

Sandy ~ Title I-C Migrant Education

Program update

- Smaller budget this year at \$270,000
- Used primarily for tutors / teachers, adding another teacher position in Homer area
- Number of Priority for Service students is growing, these students must receive one-to-one intensive support first
- Still offering winter reading with magazine subscriptions (through small separate state grant) and summer reading with Barnes & Noble vouchers

Michelle Thomason ~ Title II-A Professional Development

Handouts presented showing program update

- Historical PD opportunities from beginning to current year
- Highlights different goals
- Focus has been on technology throughout this year
 - ✓ Apple I-Pod pilot
 - ✓ Students recording and listening to how/what they've read
- Site level PD grants awarded to Nikiski Jr/Sr and West Homer Elementary

- Framework and opportunities for next year
 - ✓ Technology Specialist (1), Tech Coaches (2.5), and Mentor Coaches (3)
 - ✓ Support implementation of effective instruction
 - ✓ Continue collaboration in grade/content level teams
 - ✓ Ongoing technology support
 - ✓ Coaching opportunities

Tim ~ Title II-D (Technology)

Program update

- Supposed to go away last year, this year the state distributed additional funds, we got \$6,000
 - ✓ Used for student travel for career fair and ASTE conference

Sandy ~ Title VII (Indian Education)

- Targeting tutoring support for Title VII eligible students
- Native Youth Leadership Program
 - ✓ Getting students involved and taking on leadership responsibilities in their communities

Sandy ~ Overdrive

E-Library introduction

- Starting with 177 Sony E-reader devices
- Students have to be Migrant or Title I identified via PowerSchool
- Devices cost almost \$8,000 with an additional \$4,000 to purchase electronic libraries to download reading material
- Will replace Barnes & Noble vouchers

Next Meeting: October, ?? 2012–Time & Location TBA

Meeting Adjourned 11:00 pm