## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING Borough Administration Building Soldotna, Alaska 99669

## March 28-31, 1994

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Mrs. Betty Obendorf, President

Mr. Michael Tauriainen, Vice President

Mr. Michael Wiley, Clerk Mr. Joe Arness, Treasurer Dr. John Nels Anderson, Member Mrs. Mari-Anne Gross, Member Mr. Emery Thibodeau, Member

Mr. Rick Bell, Student Representative

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Timothy Navarre

Mrs. Diane Borgman Mrs. Kathy Godek Mrs. Janie Lawley Ms. Trena Richardson Mrs. Sally Tachick

Dr. Jim Clark

Mr. & Mrs. Paul Fischer

Mrs. Sharon Radtke Mrs. Sherry Innes

Mrs. Cathie Schmalzenbach

Mrs. Kathy Scott Mrs. Lynne Sandahl Mrs. Dorothy Besch Mrs. Zada Friedersdorff Mr. Duane Anderson

Mr. Richard Harvey Ms. Peggy Mullen Mr. Robert Rubadeau Mrs. Donna Peterson

Mr. Jack Brown Mr. David Spence Mrs. Nan Spooner

Mr. Rick McCrum

Mrs. Lenoria Johnson

Mr. Mike Chitty

Mrs. Brenda Cutsforth

Ms. Mo Sanders

Mr. Paul Epperson

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Holmes

Mrs. Chris Monfor Ms. Sandra Stephens Mrs. Penny Little Mrs. Beth Martin Ms. Renee Henderson Mr. Rick Matiya

Mr. Richard Swarner Mrs. Mary Armstrong Ms. Betty Leonard Mr. Jim White Mr. Tom Thorpe Mr. Larry Simmons Mr. William Radtke Mrs. Jacquie Imle Dr. Twyla Barnes

Mrs. Ethel Clausen Mr. John Kistler Dr. Donald Boehmer Mr. Jack Webb

Mr. Kenneth Meacham Mrs. Sue Liebner Mrs. Debbie Tupper Mr. Roger Liebner Mrs. Judy Downs Mr. Robert Bellmore

Mr. Thomas Boedeker

Others present not identified.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mrs. Obendorf called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mrs. Obendorf invited those present to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Mrs. Betty Obendorf Present Mr. Michael Tauriainen Present Mr. Michael Wiley Present Mr. Joe Arness Present Dr. John Nels Anderson Present Mrs. Mari-Anne Gross Present Mr. Emery Thibodeau Present Mr. Rick Bell Absent

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was approved as printed.

SUPERINTENDENT INTERVIEW PROCEDURES:

Dr. Twyla Barnes, Consultant from South East Regional Resource Center, explained the procedures for interviewing the superintendent candidates. She noted board members would interview each candidate for one hour and fifteen minutes, this would be followed by a fifteen minute break for the public to prepare questions for the candidates, and the candidates would then respond to those questions. A public reception would be held each evening at 6:30 p.m., between the two interviews, for the public to meet the candidates for that day.

RECESS:

At 4:25 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess.

RECESS:

At 4:30 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session and began its interview with Mr. John Dahlgren, Associate Superintendent, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District, Soldotna, Alaska.

RECESS:

At 5:48 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At  $5:55~\rm p.m.$ , the Board reconvened in regular session. Dr. Barnes presented questions from the public to Mr. Dahlgren.

RECESS:

At 6:23 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess to hold a public reception for Mr. Dahlgren and Mrs. Rubadeau.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 7:30 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session and began its interview with Mrs. Mary Rubadeau. Assistant Superintendent, Kenai Peninsula Borough School District, Soldotna, Alaska.

RECESS:

At 8:40 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 8:55 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session. Dr. Barnes presented questions from the public to Mrs. Rubadeau.

RECESS:

At 9:23 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 4:32 p.m., Tuesday, March 29, 1994, the Board reconvened

in regular session.

AMEND AGENDA:

The Board approved amending the agenda to approve a tentative superintendent appointment on Thursday, March 31,

INTERVIEW:

At 4:37 p.m., the Board began its interview with Dr. Walter Bromenschenkel, Superintendent, Paducha Independent School District, Paducha, Kentucky.

RECESS:

At 5:56 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 6:05 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session. Dr. Barnes presented questions from the public to

Dr. Bromenschenkel.

RECESS:

At 6:30 p.m., Ms. Obendorf called a recess to hold a public reception for Dr. Bromenschenkel and Dr. Baumberger.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 7:30 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session and began its interview with Dr. Don Baumberger, Superintendent, Sweetwater County School District #1, Rock Springs, Wyoming.

RECESS:

At 8:44 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 8:56 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session. Dr. Barnes presented questions from the public to Dr. Baumberger.

RECESS:

At 9:08 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 4:34 p.m., Wednesday, March 30, 1994, the Board reconvened in regular session and began its interview with Dr. Bruce Johnson, Area Village Principal at Kodiak, AK and former Superintendent of the Juneau-Douglas School District,

Juneau, AK.

RECESS:

At 5:46 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 5:56 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session. Dr. Barnes presented questions from the public to Dr. Johnson.

RECESS:

At 6:18 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess to hold a public reception for Dr. Johnson and Dr. Tolzin.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 7:32 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session and began its interview with Dr. Keith Tolzin, Superintendent, Ellensburg School District, Ellensburg, Washington.

WECESS:

At 9:00 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 9:17 p.m., the Board reconvened in regular session. Dr. Barnes presented questions from the public to Dr. Tolzin.

RECESS:

At 9:39 p.m., Mrs. Obendorf called a recess.

RECONVENE AFTER RECESS:

At 9:12 a.m., Thursday, March 31, 1994, the Board reconvened in regular session.

Attorney Tom Boedeker advised the Board the Alaska Open Meetings Law would allow them to go into executive session to discuss a candidate and information that could tend to prejudice the person's reputation and character, or to discuss with counsel possible terms of an employment contract.

ACTION

Mr. Arness moved the Board tentatively approve Dr. Walter Bromenschenkel as Superintendent subject to negotiations with the candidate and approval of a contract by the Board. He further moved that Dr. Bruce Johnson be first runner-up in the event Dr. Bromenschenkel would be unable to accept the position. Mr. Wiley seconded.

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Mr. Tauriainen amended the motion to delete the second choice which should be considered separately. Dr. Anderson seconded.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT:

YES - Anderson, Gross, Tauriainen, Obendorf

NO - Arness, Thibodeau, Wiley

Motion carried.

Main motion carried unanimously.

ACTION

Mr. Tauriainen moved the Board approve John Dahlgren as its second choice in the event Dr. Bromenschenkel did not accept the Board's proposed offer. Motion died for lack of a second.

ACTION

Mr. Arness moved the Board approve Dr. Bruce Johnson as the Board's second choice. Mr. Thibodeau seconded.

Dr. Anderson commented that Dr. Johnson would probably have accepted the Kodiak superintendency by the time the Board offered him the position, if Dr. Bromenschenkel did not accept the position.

ACTION

Dr. Anderson moved to amend the motion to approve Dr. Tolzin as the second choice. Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

ACTION

Mr. Arness moved the Board postpone the motion until the Board meeting on Monday, April 4, 1994. Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

VOTE ON MOTION TO POSTPONE:

YES - Arness, Tauriainen, Thibodeau NO - Anderson, Gross, Wiley, Obendorf

Motion failed.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT APPROVING DR. TOLZIN:

YES - Anderson, Arness, Gross, Tauriainen, Obendorf NO - Thibodeau, Wiley Amendment carried.

VOTE ON AMENDED MOTION APPROVING DR. TOLZIN:

Motion carried unanimously.

By consensus, the Board appointed Mrs. Obendorf and Mr. Arness to negotiate the contract terms with  $Dr.\ Bromenschenkel.$ 

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mrs. Obendorf noted the Strategic Planning Worksession scheduled for April 5 needed to be changed to April 18 due to scheduling conflicts of board members.

Mrs. Obendorf announced any board members desiring to attend the AASB Fly-In scheduled for April 17-19 should contact her.

Mrs. Obendorf expressed appreciation to Dr. Twyla Barnes for her work on the Superintendent Search. Dr. Barnes commented she had enjoyed working with the Board in this effort and extended her appreciation to them and to staff members Chris Monfor, Barbara Jewell, John Dahlgren and Mary Rubadeau for their assistance to her during her visit to the district.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 9:55 a.m., Mr. Tauriainen moved the Board go into executive session to discuss matters, the immediate knowledge of which would clearly have an adverse effect upon the finances of the Borough. Mr. Wiley seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 11:50 a.m., Mrs. Gross moved the executive session be

adjourned. Mr. Tauriainen seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

At 11:51 a.m., Mr. Tauriainen moved the Special School Board

Meeting be adjourned. Mrs. Gross seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted.

Mrs. Betty Obendorf, Presider

Mr. Michael Wiley

The Minutes of March 28-31, 1994, vere approved on April 18, 1994, as written.