## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNICATION						
Title:	Accept the Alaska Statewide Mentor Project Urban Growth Opportunity Subaward					
Date:	February 24, 2012	Item Number:	11a.(8)			
Administrator:	Dr. Steve Atwater Superintendent					
Attachments:						
X Action Needed For Discussion Information Other:						

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Alaska State Mentor Project Urban Growth Opportunity (ASMP UGO), awarded as part of the federal I3 grants, is an expanded research effort to increase the number of early career teachers receiving mentoring in urban areas as well as to conduct a rigorous experimental design to validate the ASMP model at a high level of statistical certainty. This research, conducted to validate ASMP, will span five years and take place in urban schools in Alaska, where a larger concentration of high needs students are in need of effective interventions and quality instruction to raise their opportunities for achievement. The research design requires random assignment to control and treatment groups. ASMP UGO will randomly assign treatment teachers who will be provided two consecutive years of mentoring by a full release and trained mentor using the ASMP model. All data will be collected and reported in such a way as no one district, school, teacher, student, or any individual could be identified.

Below is a breakdown of the award amounts by calendar year:

YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5
\$192,994.88	\$383,221.28	\$384,816.18	\$159,355.22	\$0.00

Note that year five of the grant does not include financial support for the district. The researchers will compile and then report their findings during this year.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION**

The administration recommends that the Board accept the five-year Alaska Statewide Mentor Project Urban Growth Opportunity Subaward in the total amount of \$1,120,387.56.