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November 16, 2026

To: Lake and Peninsula School Board
From: Tim McDermott, Facilities and Maintenance

Re: Maintenance Report

This past month of October/November LPSD Maintenance has been primarily involved in operational maintenance, logistical support, communications, and associated recordkeeping. Maintenance is grateful for the leadership of the site administrators and the participation of the villages in supporting the facilities, enhancing the daily operations and working/learning environments at our school sites. Emphasis on communication between all of the stakeholder partners is key and is encouraged and appreciated. Much of this Department's time is spent on supply of materials, communication, logistics, data, and documentation … time consuming when we are dealing with personnel challenges, but necessary in an accountable atmosphere when reports are required and decisions are reviewed both before and after the fact. During the month of October and into this November, with limited manpower and resources, Maintenance was able to complete several big ticket items. At Chignik Lake, replacement of the domestic water system pressure tanks and controls, the addition of a cabinet unit heater in the shop, and the replacement of the pressure expansion tank in the heat system were accomplished. Another big one was the failed boiler replacement at Chignik Lagoon. The failed, leaking unit heaters were also removed from the gym ceiling at the Lagoon. The unique skill set and work ethic of Carl Adams was the major factor in getting these projects completed and off of the list. At the same time these projects were executed, what seems like an endless litany of onsite minor maintenance was addressed at these two sites. Maintenance continues to adapt to the circumstances and realities of aged out facilities and assets with the dwindling resources at hand. Staffing remains a challenge. In order to build a more sustainable future systemic solutions that strengthen our capacity must be explored and implemented. Continuing success is dependent on pro-active decision making and visible support. LPSD is implementing a new computerized maintenance management system, Operations Hero, OH for short, a cutting edge cloud based management system that is less expensive, user friendly, well supported, more universally accepted, built around and customizable to the needs of the District and to DEED reporting requirements. This has been a work in progress and Damian Hill rolled this new program out at the October in-service. The program in in use and is producing good results.

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The Safety and Compliance work log is as follows:
For September:

- Kokhanok site visit
- Nondalton site visit
- Newhalen site visit
- Minor repairs
- Cleaning
- Inspections
- Work order program rollout
- HB 28 meeting
- NPS communications
- Ordering materials (glass, lighting, mechanical, supplies)
- Project planning
- Energy data collection

And for October:

- DEC water treatment CEUs
- Alasbo maintenance conference Anchorage
- Follow up conversations from maintenance conference
- supply/parts purchasing
- Work order management
- Work order inservice workshop
- Operations Hero cmms setup and training
- Research into energy management program

Recognition, please, for the site based, village based, support throughout the region. Riley Morigeau at Port Alsworth, Betty Wilson at Nondalton, Dean John at Newhalen, Seth Breazeale at Kokhanok, Kennisha Shangin at Perryville, examples of people who work a variety of classifications, who are dedicated to the mission, go above and beyond, take pride in their efforts, and always rise to the occasion when called upon. Likewise with the villages, Igiugig in particular in the persons of Levi Tinney and Jeff Bringhurst, always steady and reliable when we call on them, when we need them the most. The list goes on, deep into our communities, people and communities that we rely upon and who, in turn, look to us for continuing commitment. We cannot do business without them. The head teachers, Sara, J.W., Kathy, Eric, Matthew, for the continuing patience and communication.

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As Thanksgiving approaches along with the winter weather Maintenance will continue to be grateful and to emphasize collective effort at transparency, understanding, and communication as we focus our best efforts on a safe and healthy environment at our facilities. Uncertainty is shared during these challenging times and we are unquestionably better together. Please know that Maintenance requests are received at Operations Hero. For guidance with this as we adapt, reach out to Damian or your site administrator/principal. Maintenance personnel may be contacted by email or our individual cell phones. Tim McDermott 907-469-0460, Carl Adams 907-469-0473, Damian Hill 907-201-9434.