

Date: February 6, 2022

To: Lake and Peninsula School Board

From: Kasie Luke, Superintendent

Re: Report, February 5, 2023

## **Front Burner Dates & Topics:**

February 15 - 17, 2023: LPSD Basketball Jamboree - Newhalen

February 20 - 23, 2023: LPSD Competes in State Battle of the Books (BOB) Online

- High School State BOB: Chignik Lagoon
- 3 & 4th Grade State BOB: Tanalian
- 5 & 6th Grade State BOB: Tanalian

March 2 - 4, 2023: Boys Regional Basketball - Sand Point

March 2 - 4, 2023: Girls Regional Basketball - Newhalen

March 2 - 4, 2023 LPSD Basketball Districts - Igiugig

March 15-18, 2023: State Basketball - Anchorage

## **Borough Partnership & Connectedness**

We have been working in partnership with the Borough to establish pathways for maximizing infrastructure funding opportunities that are coming in for LPSD and for Lake & Pen Borough on both State and Federal levels. Our collective goal is the maintenance of our shared facilities across the School District. Focal points of our combined efforts include but are not limited to:

- District-wide fuel farms (partnership/project considerations within communities)
- Teacher Housing District-wide (consideration for growing school sites)
- Meshik School Exterior Door Replacement + Interior renewals
- Newhalen School Site Drainage multi level roof issues
- Tanalian Incinerator replacement
- Review of energy efficiency program to leverage funding

It is encouraging for Laura, Tim McDermott and I to get this ball rolling with the Borough. We are looking into a 5 and 10 year projection of capital improvement needs.

## Advocacy @ the Capital

It was an honor to attend the Alaska Association of School Boards Legislative Fly-In beside Ms. Shannon Johnson and Ms. Amber Christensen-Fox along with Mr. Zach Stenson, BBRCTE Director and our partner School Districts, DCSD, SWRSD, and BBBSD. We are supporting wonderful opportunities for students all across our region and we are getting a lot of attention for our efforts. Let's hope the Legislators hear our message in a need for an increase in the base student allocation and vote to support SB52 indicating a \$1000.00 increase to the BSA. Thank you to Shannon and Amber for their amazing advocacy! Shannon led the team, (all 11 of us) through the Capital and it was so, so powerful!

## **Advocacy in Action!**



Left (LtoR): DCSD: Board Member, Jon Clouse (standing), SWRSD: Board Member Ferdinand Sharp (sitting), LPSD: Board Member, Shannon Johnson (sitting) and BBBSD: Rebecca Hamon Board Member (sitting) testifying to the Senate Education Committee, Feb. 6, 2023.



Rep. Andi Story, a Champion for Education hearing a story from SWRSD Board Member Ferdinand Sharp. We are so grateful for Rep. Story and her time with our entire group.