MEMORANDUM SRS-474

To: School Board Members

FROM: Office of the Superintendent

DATE: November 19, 2008

SUBJECT: School Board 8120 Policy Update

On November 2, 2006 the current Board Policy Manual was adopted in its entirety from the Alaska Associations of School Board's (AASB) template with changes to match former District policies and procedures. While most of the intent of the language from the previous Board Policy manual and district operating procedures were included, Board Policy 8120 did not get updated to match the language regarding Registered Voters for CSC Elections as specified in the 2002 version of the CSC Handbook.

The past practice that has been utilized in recent CSC elections has followed the 2002 CSC Handbook in regard to requiring voters to be legally registered within their respective community, as documented on an official Voter Registration list. This list has been obtained from the Region IV Elections Office, Nome, AK and provided as requested by sites from the Personnel Office.

Item 3 under Qualifications for Candidates and Voters for BP 8120 should have been updated to read "The voter or candidate must be a legally registered voter in the area served by the school" when this Policy was adopted in 2006.

A Board Policy revision is in order to bring the Board Policy manual into agreement with past and current practice.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Motion to approve Board Policy (BP) 8120 in FIRST READING as presented.

Community School Committees

ELECTIONS

Note: Pursuant to AS 14.08.115 and AS 14.12.035, the school board prescribes the manner of selecting advisory boards.

Elections relating to the Community School Committees shall be supervised by the Southwest Region School Board.

Qualifications for Candidates and Voters

An individual must qualify with respect to the following elements before he/she may vote in a Community School Committee election:

- 1. The voter or candidate must be a United States citizen.
- 2. The voter or candidate must be at least 18 years of age on the date of the election.
- 3. The voter or candidate must be a <u>legally registered voter in the area served by the</u> <u>school.</u>
- 4. Community School Committee members may not serve on the Southwest Region School Board

Legal Reference:

<u>ALASKA STATUTES</u> <u>14.08.115 – Community School Committees in REAA</u> <u>14.12.035 – Community School Committees in borough school districts</u> David Piazza 10/28/08 1:24 PM Deleted: resident of the municipality or school attendance area for at least 30 days before the date of the election or be a qualified voter in the immediate family of a student who attends the local school.

SOUTHWEST REGION SCHOOL DISTRICT Adopted: November 2, 2006 Reviewed: November 19, 2008 Adopted: