

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #212 (2001-2002)

March 11, 2002

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: BARTLETT HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATION ONE PERCENT FOR ART

PERTINENT FACTS:

Chapter 7.40 of the Anchorage Municipal Code defines the process for selection and acquisition of art to be displayed in public places, including public school buildings. This code authorizes the Municipality to select the artist and the artwork, with a review of the proposed artwork by the School District only as to its safety and maintenance factors. The artwork has been reviewed and approved by the District's Risk Management Department. The artists have agreed to their safety recommendations.

The Jury established for the Bartlett High School has chosen the artist to create the artwork for the school. The artwork consists of the following:

Artist: Walter Kravitz, Washington, DC
Location: Interior Clerestory in Library
Artwork: Untitled
Description: Twenty Polycarbonate 5' high x 4' wide figures representing a diverse number of cultures and imagery will be suspended from the ceiling in the clerestory area.

Budget: \$25,000
Account Code 80029-5430

An advertised public hearing occurred on Thursday, January 3, 2002 from 1:00 – 2:00 pm at the Anchorage Museum of History and Art. Informal public hearings were held during January and February to get additional comments from PTA members, students, etc. In accordance with the 1% for Art ordinance, the School Board may file an objection to this selection with the Public Art Committee by March 12, 2002 based upon technical reasons of safety or maintenance.

The jury included the following representatives: Principal Dr. Lewis Sears (initially) and then Principal Chuck Fannin; Daphne Brown, Kumin Associates, the Architect; Marty Quimby from the Arts Advisory Commission, John Reeder from the Historical and Fine Arts Commission; Kathy Vail Roche from the Urban Design Commission and the PTSA; Terri Jensen, an art teacher and faculty member at Bartlett High School; Kathleen Stevenson, former PTA President; Debbie Dubac, an artist and community member; and, Brittainy Edwards, a student.

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