

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #151 (2002-2003)

January 13, 2003

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENT OF MINORITY EDUCATION
CONCERNS COMMITTEE MEMBER

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board appoint William Johnson to the Minority Education Concerns Committee (MECC) for a term expiring on June 30, 2004.

PERTINENT FACTS:

The Anchorage School Board has established one advisory committee to the School Board. This committee is the Minority Education Concerns Committee (MECC) whose primary purpose is to advise the School Board and the Superintendent on a regular basis regarding 1) the educational program as it relates to the education of minority students K-12 Districtwide; 2) citizen involvement in school activities on minority educational issues; 3) specific minority community concerns; and 4) such matters with respect to the District at large as may be identified by the School Board or the Superintendent. There are other issues of importance for the Minority Education Concerns Committee (MECC) as outlined in the Guidelines.

In November 2002, MECC received letters of resignation from James Allen and Clarissa Ridgway. Mr. Allen has moved to Valdez and Ms. Ridgway cited personal reasons for her resignation. These resignations leave the committee with nine members. Since the committee can have from eight to eleven members, they agreed to fill one of the positions with William Johnson, a candidate who was interviewed in August 2002. Interviews will be conducted for the other open position.

Mr. Johnson is well qualified to assist the MECC in their efforts to enhance success for all of our students (Attachment A). During his interview, he expressed his willingness to serve on the MECC should a vacancy occur. He has been contacted and told the recommendation for his appointment would go to

the Board on January 13, 2003. He said he would be delighted to serve on the Minority Education Concerns Committee.

Attachment

Prepared & Approved by: Jan Christensen, Assistant Superintendent, Instruction