

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #247 (2004-2005)

April 11, 2005

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: DIMOND HIGH SCHOOL – 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, Operations, Maintenance and Facilities Departments and the Anchorage Fire Department. The artist has agreed to their safety recommendations, which will be addressed in the artist's contract.

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

Dimond High School

Artist: Linda Smith; Anchorage, AK

Title: *Flights of Imagination*

Location: Administration Niche

Description: Sculptures will vary in size from 6" diameter with 4" depth, to 3 ½" diameters with 3" depth. Materials consist of glass beads, monofilament and bead thread, and found objects including shells, coral, wood, stone and beach glass. The artwork will be behind glass in a case similar to a trophy case.

Budget: \$8,140

Account Code: 82032-5430

This selection was reviewed and discussed by the Anchorage School District Risk and Safety Manager, Mike Klawitter, on January 18, 2005. There were no safety and maintenance concerns. It was also reviewed by the Fire Inspector John Peck and his concerns will be incorporated into the artist's contract.

Dimond High School principal Cheryl Guyett serves on the jury along with the architect of the project Jim Huettl, USKH; Brian Davies, representing the Historical and Fine Arts Commission; Robin Smith, representing the Urban Design Commission artist and Public Art Committee representative Carol Bryner; Rebecca Voris, a community member and art educator at West High School; Les Matz, teacher and community member; Jim Tilly, PTA representative; and student representative Chelsea Ray.

In accordance with the 1% for Art ordinance, the School Board may file an objection to this selection with the Public Art Committee by April 13, 2005 based upon technical reasons of safety or maintenance.

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