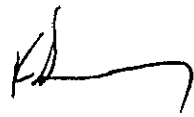


MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Nate Olemaun, Jr.
FROM: Kevin Sweeney, Special Assistant 
DATE: January 24, 2005
RE: Breakdown of Community Concerns

Various concerns and suggestions were raised and recorded at three major meetings:

- 1) City Council Meeting held November 18-19;
- 2) Town Hall Meeting held November 22; and
- 3) Student Forum held November 30.

The concerns can generally be categorized as follows:

1) Laws and Policy

Concerns raised about law enforcement and current Borough and City policies and ordinances.

2) K-12 Education

Suggestions provided for changes to K-12 Education system.

3) Family Training

Requests for programs or services for family education and training.

4) Community Services

Requests for additional community programs and services.

5) Guiding Principles

Standards by which to live.

6) Cultural/Subsistence

Suggestions on how to utilize culture and subsistence.

I have provided a spreadsheet in which the concerns are categorized by type and venue for the Blue Ribbon Committee to use as a starting point in its discussions.

Concern	Category	Venue
Annual Youth Forum	Community Services	School Forum
Child Abuse Counseling	Community Services	School Forum
Father's Club for male role models	Community Services	School Forum
Greater Awareness of Drug Problems	Community Services	School Forum
Kids opinion on community/Youth Groups	Community Services	School Forum
More activities for youth, not just sports and Rec.	Community Services	School Forum
More dances or activities on weekends	Community Services	School Forum
Natural Helpers, Suicide Prevention Programs	Community Services	School Forum
Rehab/Homeless Shelters	Community Services	School Forum
Start a Mother's Club	Community Services	School Forum
Treatment Center	Community Services	School Forum
Keep the No Rec. List	Community Services	Student Forum
Blue Ribbon Team	Community Services	Town Hall
Call for action suggestion box	Community Services	Town Hall
Crime Watch	Community Services	Town Hall
Extend hours at Rec. Centers	Community Services	Town Hall
Get committed to the groups for the positive support of others	Community Services	Town Hall
Guest at schools/pep rallies to educate on various issues	Community Services	Town Hall
Gym for adults (21 and over)	Community Services	Town Hall
Help the counseling center to identify programs that may help here	Community Services	Town Hall
More hours for Inupiaq Teens Taking Control (ITTC)	Community Services	Town Hall

More recreation for our families	Community Services	Town Hall
Mother's Club to assign suspended students to do chores	Community Services	Town Hall
Mother's club to teach young parents parenting skills, social skills and communication skills	Community Services	Town Hall
Need funding for City of Barrow basketball	Community Services	Town Hall
Need transportation for kids that want to get away fom bad situations	Community Services	Town Hall
Not enough facilities for family use (need a bowling alley/movie theatre	Community Services	Town Hall
Quad board example from OTZ area	Community Services	Town Hall
Recreation center promised by the late Eben Hopson in our schools	Community Services	Town Hall
Safe home for kids on the weekends (for kids without a safe place to stay	Community Services	Town Hall
Spread ITTC to the villages	Community Services	Town Hall
Stop denying access to the Rec. Center (No activity List)	Community Services	Town Hall
Support families who are willing to to to court and testify against family members	Community Services	Town Hall
Teen Hot Line	Community Services	Town Hall
Volunteers need to step forward	Community Services	Town Hall
Waive fee to use Rec. Centers	Community Services	Town Hall
Tribal Court	Cultural	School Forum
Arctic survival camp	Cultural	Town Hall
Day or weekend hunting trips	Cultural	Town Hall
Emphasize Inupiaq values	Cultural	Town Hall
Share cultural activities with kids	Cultural	Town Hall
Translate the Meeting	Cultural	Town Hall
Tribal officer program at playground	Cultural	Town Hall

Tribal Police Program	Cultural	Town Hall
Churches help influence youth	Faith	School Forum
Encourage faith groups to focus on issues being faced	Faith	Town Hall
Include churches in changing heart of youth	Faith	Town Hall
Mandatory Sunday School	Faith	Town Hall
Prayer is Powerful	Faith	Town Hall
Elders are robbed and do not press charges when it is by a member of the family	Family Training	City Council
Child Abuse Counseling	Family Training	School Forum
Workshops	Family Training	School Forum
Assets Framework	Family Training	Town Hall
Committee to educate the community of FAS problem	Family Training	Town Hall
Mother's club to teach young parents parenting skills, social skills and communication skills	Family Training	Town Hall
Parental problem - not a child problem	Family Training	Town Hall
Parents need to be educated to know how to ID problems faced by youth	Family Training	Town Hall
Parents need to learn about the drugs being used and discuss them with their children	Family Training	Town Hall
Wellness Training Group	Family Training	Town Hall
Cab Drivers and immigrants should be recognized as a part of the community	Guiding Principles	City Council
Do not make this a race issue	Guiding Principles	City Council
Don't Blame NSBSD, Police Dept., local leaders - find a solution	Guiding Principles	City Council
We as a community must stop arguing and work together	Guiding Principles	City Council
Awareness of racism/prejudice	Guiding Principles	School Forum
Do not rely on police	Guiding Principles	School Forum

Lock up guns, PSA on radio	Guiding Principles	School Forum
Love, discipline and respect at home	Guiding Principles	School Forum
Obey your parents	Guiding Principles	School Forum
Reach out to other students	Guiding Principles	School Forum
Students need to have more responsibility	Guiding Principles	School Forum
Talk with middle school kids	Guiding Principles	School Forum
All citizen's can voice issues to elected officials	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
All kids need to be watched	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Be positive even during adversity	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Discipline with compassion	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Don't drive children to anger	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Don't over discipline youngsters, but discipline them	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Emphasize basic family values	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Get control of VHF talk, because children listen	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Kids need to talk to parents	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Know what kids are doing at all times	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Limit CD use with profanity	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Listen and respond to what youth feels. Look at their body language	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
No alcohol in front of Kids	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Parents need to be involved in kids' activities	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Parents needed to look out for other kids	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Protect your own children	Guiding Principles	Town Hall

Serve as a role model	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Show love even in response to anger	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Show Respect	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Spend time with kids	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Stop treating others as enemies	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Stop violent movies	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Take children seriously	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Teach children respect	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Teach Values at home	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Tell kids early and often not to use drugs or drink alcohol	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Tell kids the truth	Guiding Principles	Town Hall
Middle School kids are bullying younger students and stealing money to buy drugs	K-12 Education	City Council
Change High School schedule with Middle School	K-12 Education	School Forum
High Schoolers getting involved in Middle School DARE Program	K-12 Education	School Forum
In-School Suspension	K-12 Education	School Forum
Keep the No Rec. List	K-12 Education	School Forum
Reinforce positive achievements in school	K-12 Education	School Forum
Study Hall and Community Services for suspension	K-12 Education	School Forum
DARE Program	K-12 Education	Town Hall
Elders in the School	K-12 Education	Town Hall
Guest at schools/pep rallies to educate on various issues	K-12 Education	Town Hall
Middle school kids get out too early	K-12 Education	Town Hall

No Inupiat dancing in schools	K-12 Education	Town Hall
Schools can't provide everything	K-12 Education	Town Hall
Select a youngster to help other students	K-12 Education	Town Hall
Stop denying access to the Rec. Center (No activity List)	K-12 Education	Town Hall
Suspended students should be required to help somewhere (i.e. Senior Center)	K-12 Education	Town Hall
Community Leaders need to take control	Laws & Policy	City Council
Control bootlegging	Laws & Policy	City Council
Crime is out of control - poor enforcement	Laws & Policy	City Council
Crimes are rarely solved	Laws & Policy	City Council
Drugs are easily available and more powerful than in the past	Laws & Policy	City Council
Elders are robbed and do not press charges when it is by a member of the family	Laws & Policy	City Council
Fear for Safety	Laws & Policy	City Council
Middle School kids are bullying younger students and stealing money to buy drugs	Laws & Policy	City Council
Need to look at the treatment of Natives by NSB	Laws & Policy	City Council
Public Safety	Laws & Policy	City Council
Police Department needs to be closely examined	Laws & Policy	City Council
Taxi Driver abuse	Laws & Policy	City Council
The NSB Mayor's Office and Assembly do not follow through with complaints about Public Safety	Laws & Policy	City Council
Vote on Alcohol Issue	Laws & Policy	City Council
Who is leading our community?	Laws & Policy	City Council
Greater Consequences for drug suppliers	Laws & Policy	School Forum
Greater Police Patrolling	Laws & Policy	School Forum
Take Curfew Seriously	Laws & Policy	School Forum

Tribal Court	Laws & Policy	School Forum
Vote Dry	Laws & Policy	School Forum
Youth Court	Laws & Policy	School Forum
City Police rather than NSB Police	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Commitment by leaders to set up support system in each agency	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Continue a Working Committee	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Curfew enforced	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Get control of importation of drugs through stronger inspections of baggage	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Get involved in judicial system to get enforcements to the fullest extent	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
K-9 coordinate for all agencies	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Police are there for help	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Pool resources for all agencies	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Programs on the Slope are not recognized by State	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Request the State Legislature to change some laws	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Support families who are willing to to court and testify against family members	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Take control of the Alcohol Distribution Center	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Tribal officer program at playground	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Tribal Police Program	Laws & Policy	Town Hall
Vote town dry	Laws & Policy	Town Hall