

# Office of Child Advocacy-

## *15-Member Board Concludes Three-Day Planning*

The 15-member Board of the Governor's Council on the Coordination of Community Child Care/Office of Child Advocacy has concluded a three-day planning and public information meeting at the Travelers Inn in Fairbanks.

The council, chaired by Gail Rowland of Anchorage, planned the coming year's activities of the State Office of Child Advocacy staff, headed by Ms. Betsey McGuire, newly-appointed State Coordinator.

The board also heard reports and requests for needed services from representatives of both public and private agencies, as well as the local 4-C's group.

The state 4-C's/OCA, financed by grants from Region X, Office

of Child Development and the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, plans to publish a report analyzing Alaskan programs effecting children ages 0-18, and identifying both gaps and duplication of effort.

The board heard Judge Van Hoomissen report on changes in court rules effecting juveniles. At the public hearing, co-sponsored by the Fairbanks Community Child Care Council, Mary Afcan of the Enepe'ut Children's Center, asked that private day care centers receive full cost of care from the Department of Health and Social Services.

Reports of local projects were heard from the Cooperative Extension Service, Family Nutrition Program, Head Start, Dis-

covery Center, and the Fairbanks Child Protection Team.

Fairbanks members of the State Board are: Westeen Holmes, 2338 Gillam Way and Niilo Koponen, Mile 2 1/2 Chena Ridge. For information on the Fairbanks Community Child Care Council, the recognized local affiliates, contact Mrs. Dorothy Englund, Secretary, Box 724, Fairbanks, Alaska.

For information on the state program, contact Ms. Betsey McGuire, Coordinator, State 4-C's/OCA, Office of the Governor, Anchorage.