

Education association seeks ideas, members

The Alaska Native Education Association has set out a course to increase membership, increase communication among members and policy makers and identify education issues of statewide importance.

Meeting in early March the board of directors assessed the association's first three years of operation and made plans to increase its effectiveness.

The ANEA was established in 1978 to address education policies and practices affecting Alaska Natives and in the past has worked on the closure of Mount Edgecumbe school and teacher

certification requirements.

The board intends to develop a mailing list including individuals and organizations. The list also will be used to solicit membership and develop and disseminate information on statewide education issues important to Alaska Natives.

The group also hopes to organize a forum on education to be held concurrently with the Alaska Federation of Natives convention in October.

Individuals and organizations interested in statewide education issues have been urged to write Jenny Alowa, Box 1007, Nome 99762.