

REAA election results

Official election results released by the Division of Elections place five new members on the Southern Panhandle REAA school board this week. Two Thome Bay residents, Allen Strahle and Richard Madden Jr., join Donna Galla of Galla Logging Camp, Lucille Hedrich of Coffman Cove, and Kathy Pesterfield of Whale Pass on the new board. The five together will assume their duties immediately, preparing for the transition of the REAA to independent status on July 1, 1976. It is presently still part of the Alaska Unorganized Borough School District which was divided into 21 Regional Educational Attendance Areas earlier this year.

Among the new school board's first responsibilities will be the establishment of a central office and the selection of a school superintendent for the coming year. The board will also be developing policy for the school's programs and practices.

The election of the Southern Panhandle board members marks the end of elections for the 21 REAAs. Earlier elections brought 142 new board members to the other twenty REAAs.