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First Joint Constituent Teleconference

The first Joint Constituent Teleconference with the 2K Caucus took place on Thursday, February 6th.

“I think it went quite smoothly,” said Rep. Gary Stevens, who moderated the event.

Rep. Mike Chenault, Rep. Paul Seaton, Rep. Kelly Wolf, and Sen. Tom Wagoner were also in attendance. Sen. Austerman was unable to attend due to a previous commitment.

According to Sen. Wagoner, the issues raised were wide ranging and even included an update on the Economic Development District’s events.

Rep. Kelly Wolf commented, “I appreciated the concerns expressed on education – I share them and pointed out that the Peninsula’s education system has the lowest administrative costs in the State.” He went on to note that he was a product of the Peninsula’s system as a graduate of Kenai High School.

A major topic in Seward was the threatened closure of the Recording Office. Testimony from the area clearly showed the community support, including an officer from the local bank, who noted the problems it would create for their customers.

“To maintain the recorder’s office and keep those vital records in Seward, we are working on a supplemental request with the Governor’s office to lease office space using program receipts,” Rep. Paul Seaton stated.