the matter of changing the membership of the Island County Mental Health Substance Abuse Advisory Board from 11 to 15 members. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Caldwell, carried unanimously.

AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT #2200-60652 (4) BETWEEN ISLAND COUNTY AND DSHS - MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION

An amendment increasing the amount of money from the State for Mental Health involuntary commitment in Island County was presented to the Board for approval by Mr. McDonald. He indicated that the increase represents $50,150.00 per year, and has already been included within the 1988 budget.

The Board by unanimous motion, authorized the Chairman of the Board to sign Contract Amendment #2200-60652(4) between Island County and DSHS Mental Health Division.

ANNOUNCEMENT: PLANNED RETIREMENT, EVA POWERS DIRECTOR OF NURSING SERVICES

It was with a note of regret that Mr. McDonald confirmed receipt of request from Eva Powers, Director of Nursing Services, to retire the end of January. He mentioned how much she would be missed not only by the Health Department but the County in general, having worked very well as Nursing Director for the past eight years in Island County. The Commissioners each echoed Mr. McDonald's comments, and expressed their appreciation to Eva for her helpfulness, contributions to the County, and thanked her for being instrumental in building the professionalism Island County currently has in this field -- a precedent to be continued.

The Board recessed the meeting of the Island County Commissioners at 11:30 a.m. to convene as the Island County Board of Health. The regular meeting resumed at 1:55 p.m. with the Planning Director.

MEETING SCHEDULED TO CONSIDER SITE PLAN REVIEW, SPR #16/87, CHINOOK LEARNING CENTER AND CHINOOK WALDORF SCHOOL

On receipt of the Recommendation from the Island County Hearing Examiner, the Board by unanimous motion, scheduled the matter of Site Plan Review, SPR #16/87, Chinook Learning Center and Chinook Waldorf School, to come before the Board at public meeting on 1 February 1988 at 2:00 p.m.

HEARING HELD: AQUACULTURE MORATORIUM

A Public Hearing was held at 2:00 p.m. for the purpose of considering extension of Aquaculture Moratorium in Districts 1D, 1E, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3E, 4A, 4B, 5A & 6A, the present moratorium expiring Midnight, 11 January 1988.

Approximately 50+ citizens were in the audience during the hearing on this matter; members of the press were present along with various County staff. Aquaculture Regular Base Map posted for display during the hearing.

Oscar Granger, Planning Director, confirmed the Findings of Fact, Conclusions and Decision of the Island County Planning Commission 8 December 1987 [Exhibit #1] recommending approval to extend the current moratorium on accepting applications for Shoreline Substantial Development permits in Aquaculture Districts 1D, 1E, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E, 4A, 4B, 5A and 6A for a period of 24 months or for 12 months following completion of the state wide studies, whichever is the longer period of time. Moratorium is sought at this time for the same reasons set forth the year before and same reasons set forth in 1A, 1B, 1C. The Board has been provided with a copy of the Findings of Fact document of the Planning Commission spelling out their rationale for recommending extension of the moratorium.

Mr. Granger confirmed that there are presently two on-going studies: one, Department of Fisheries looking at the impacts of salmon net pen culture on the environment; and another being done by Department of Ecology which will look at the siting criteria established in the Interim Guidelines to review problems and to see if problems can be resolved.

Staff has made an additional recommendation through Memorandum from the Planning Director dated 5 January 1988 [Exhibit #2] as an aside from the Planning Commission recommendation, to exclude Districts 4A (located off Onamac Point, Camano Island) and 4B (located off Possession Point, South Whidbey) from the moratorium. Aquaculture Districts 4A and 4B were put in place to allow artificial reefs. At this time, a reef has been established off Onamac Point, and Department of Fisheries has a permit in 4B and are in the process of establishing a reef. Request for exemption has been made through Michael T. Schieber, Project Engineer, Engineering Division, Washington State Department of Fisheries, letter dated 13 October 1987 [Exhibit #3]. Mr. Granger indicated that neither district has any potential for either environmental degradation or for any visual impacts from any upland properties by virtue of the fact they are totally under water other than buoys marking the reef locations.

Mr. Granger reviewed correspondence received by the Island County Planning Department during the past 4 or 5 days in favor of the extension of the moratorium, from:

	Exhibit #
Gladys Wallick 1/7/88	4
Melvin A. Wallick 1/7/88	5
Walter J. and Jennie J. Gulick 1/7/88	6
Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Shipick	7
Edwin C. Stole	8
Lawrence & Lois A. Roger	9
Denice M. Evans	10
Bernadette LaLanne	11
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel T. Jergenson	12
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fisher	13
Francis Dolgolf	14
Victor Kuzal	15
Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Brown	16
J. Edgar Green	17
Larry Dolgolf	18
Carolyn N. Langdon	19
Dale & Loreen Bickford	20
William Roberts and Erin	21
Darrel L. Gallhagen	22
Robert Shelton	23
Vicki Jager	24

Correspondence received by the Board includes:

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-Barbara J. Matteson - supports extension	25
-Resolution, Board of Directors, Whidbey Shores Community Association, endorsing extension of moratorium, signed by: Robert J. LaLanne; Jerome L. Jager; Donald A. Dawson; Roy Cook; Linda Nadeau; Glenn Briant; Leo H. Van Winkle; Dale Bickford; Robert D. Matteson	26
-Robert E. & Pauline Campbell - supporting moratorium extension	27
-John M. Watson, Attorney, supporting extension of existing moratorium	28
-Robert W. Conner, Shesera Farms, supporting moratorium extension	29