



NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM

TO: John Hopson Jr., President
Members of the Board

THROUGH: David Vadiveloo, Superintendent *DSVadiveloo*

FROM: Chelsie Overby, Executive Assistant

DATE: June 13, 2025

SUBJECT: National Indian Education Association (NIEA)
Annual Convention & Trade Show, October 8-11

Memo No. SB25-206
(Action Item)

NSBSD Policy Manual:

Board Bylaw 9240, Board Development:...Board members need to participate in professional development activities that help them understand their responsibilities, stay abreast of new developments in education, and learn new ways to cope effectively with the problems they confront.

Issue Summary:

The National Indian Education Association annual convention and trade show will be held in Spokane, Washington on October 8-11, 2025. The theme for this year's convention is "Empowering Sovereignty: Our Legacies, Our Futures." Highlights for the conference include an Educator Day with a focus of hands-on workshops, cultural activities, and the District has been approved to provide a presentation.

The Board has previously approved all board members who were available to attend to take part in this convention. The recommendation is to identify the Board members who may attend as the early bird registration ends August 1, 2025.

Background:

The Convention and Trade Show has previously included workshops regarding Advocacy & Policy; Support Systems, Teacher & Learning tracks focusing on innovative strategies to support the implementation of culture-based pedagogy; enacting Native education based policy; asset-based methods for teaching and development; equitable curriculum and instruction; community partnership development; and, trauma-informed educational practices to create safe and successful learning environments for students.

Proposed Motion:

"I move that the NSBSD Board of Education approve Board members that are available to attend the NIEA Annual Convention & Trade Show in Spokane, Washington on October 8-11, 2025.

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Vote _____

Signature: *DSVadiveloo*
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