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RE: Alaska Marine Lines INV 1943485 \$7139.49

Genevieve Hollins <Genevieve.Hollins@akebs.com>

Wed, Jul 29, 2026 at 6:43 PM

To: Jamie Burgess <jburgess@nomeschools.org>, Hannah Katongan <hannahkatongan@nomeschools.org>

Signed and coded. FY26 expense. @Jamie Burgess the total price exceeded \$75,000 Board approved amount. Total cost is \$76009.49 with shipping. We need to obtain Board approval for the minor difference since it was a smidge over and the motion stated "with a cost not to exceed \$75,000 which includes shipping". I've attached the original Board Action Item.

Thanks!

Genevieve Hollins

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Signed and attached.

On Wed, Jul 29, 2026 at 9:54 AM Hannah Katongan <hannahkatongan@nomeschools.org> wrote:

ready for approval

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Hannah M. Katongan

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Thanks.

Jamie S. Burgess

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 **Alaska Marine Lines INV 1943485 \$7139.49.pdf**
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 **01112025 2025 Transit-350 Van AWD \$68870.pdf**
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SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNICATION

Title: Approval of Replacement of Beltz Transport Van

Date: January 14, 2025

Administrator: Jamie Burgess, Superintendent

Attachments: Kendall Ford Quote

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Action Needed

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For Discussion

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Information

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Other

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Nome-Beltz Middle/High School has a Ford E-150 Van which is used for transporting teams for meets/games as well as transporting students in emergent situations and general staff/student usage. However, this vehicle is rear-wheel drive and does not handle well on the roads, and sits unused once the winter weather sets in. In addition, the Nanook Shuttle is aging and will be difficult to replace in the future.

The District is recommending the current van be disposed of and replaced with a Ford Transit Van, similar to the ones used by other organizations for transport around town. However, due to federal restrictions, the District cannot own a vehicle with seating for more than 10 without it being required to be a certified school bus, which requires a CDL license to operate. As a result, a new van must be modified and recertified, requiring additional expense. However, the modifications will also ensure a good amount of cargo space in the van.

The District is recommending the Board approve the replacement and cost; however, we are researching other potentially less expensive alternatives. An extended timeline is needed in case a van conversion is the least expensive option, combined with running up against barge deadlines.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends approval of purchase of a replacement van for Nome-Beltz Middle/High School, with a cost not to exceed \$75,000 which includes shipping.

Sample Motion: I move to approve purchase of a replacement van for Nome-Beltz Middle/High School, with a cost not to exceed \$75,000 which includes shipping.