



NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Qaiyaan Harcharek, President
 Members of the School Board

THROUGH: Pauline Harvey, Superintendent DS
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FROM: Chelsie Overby, Board Secretary

DATE: January 7, 2021

SUBJECT: Association of Alaska School Boards (AASB) **Memo No. SB21-111**
 Leadership/Legislative Conference, February 6-7, 2021 **(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 Board may appoint its members to attend the AASB Leadership/Legislative Conference held on February 6-7, 2021 with the administrations recommendation of appointing the legislative committee members, Muriel Brower and Robyn Burke (Qaiyaan Harcharek as alternate), to attend.

The legislative aspect of the conference includes scheduling appointments with legislators on the week of February 8-15, 2021.

Background:

The Legislative/Leadership Conference will include discussion on: Superintendents Contracts; Communicating over the “Great Divide”; How do we communicate during these Pandemic Times; Mindfulness for the School Board; Legislative Process & Context; Key Legislative Issues & Bill Review; Creating the Message; and Like-Size District Forums.

For the week of February 8-15, 2021, the Administration will schedule appointments with legislators. Attached is the agenda for the conference and below is the current list of legislators and their committees:

State Department of Education
Commissioner Michael Johnson

State House Education Committee
 Representative Harriet Dumond, Co-Chair
 Representative Andi Story, Co-Chair
 Representative Grier Hopkins, Member
 Representative Chris Tuck, Member
 Representative Tiffany Zulkosky, Member
 Representative Mike Prax, Member
 Representative DeLena Johnson, Member

State Senate Education Committee
 Senator Gary Stevens, Chair
 Senator Shelley Hughes, Vice Chair
 Senator John Coghill, Member
 Senator Mia Costello, Member
 Senator Tom Begich, Member

State House Finance Committee

Representative Neal Foster, Co-Chair
Representative Jennifer Johnston, Co-Chair
Representative Dan Ortiz, Vice-Chair
Representative Andy Josephson, Member
Representative Bart LeBon, Member
Representative Adam Wool, Member
Representative Ben Carpenter, Member
Representative Cathy Tilton, Member
Representative Kelly Merrick, Member
Representative Colleen Sullivan-Leonard, Member
Representative Vacant, Member

Senate Finance Committee

Senator Bert Stedman, Co-Chair
Senator Natasha von Imhof, Co-Chair
Senator David Wilson, Member
Senator Click Bishop, Member
Senator Lyman Hoffman, Member
Senator Donald Olson, Member
Senator Bill Wielechowski, Member

State House Health & Social Services

Representative Tiffany Zulkosky, Chair
Representative Ivy Spohnholz, Vice Chair
Representative Matt Claman, Member
Representative Harriet Drummond, Member
Representative Geran Tarr, Member
Representative Sharon Jackson, Member
Representative Lance Pruitt, Member

Senate Health & Social Services

Senator David Wilson, Chair
Senator Natasha von Imhof, Vice Chair
Senator Mike Shower, Member
Senator Cathy Giessel, Member
Senator Tom Begich, Member

Proposed Motion:

“I move that the NSBSD Board of Education approve the Legislative Committee members, Muriel Brower and Robyn Burke (Qaiyaan Harcharek as alternate), to attend the AASB Leadership/Legislative Conference on February 6-7, 2021 in addition to the February 8-15, 2021 scheduled legislative appointments.

Moved By: _____

Seconded By: _____

Vote: _____