

MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education
Members

DATE: February 24, 2026

NUMBER: 26-089

FR: Office of the Superintendent

SUBJECT: Approval of Proposed
Revisions to BP 10021
Charter School Application
Appeals; First Reading

STRATEGIC PLAN/BOARD GOAL:

Track 1: Operational Improvements
Initiative: Optimize Business Practices

ABSTRACT:

Board policy revisions require Board approval.

ISSUE:

At issue is to approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BP 10021 Charter School Application Appeals and open for public comments.

BACKGROUND AND/OR PERTINENT INFORMATION:

The Superintendent/designee presents drafts or suggestions for board policy revisions when the law changes or specific needs occur. Policy revisions shall normally be given two readings prior to adoption by the Board.

This is the first reading of the proposed revisions to BP 10021 Charter School Application Appeals within the Charter Schools series.

This is a new policy that outlines the appeals process for denied charter school application.

The Board Policy Committee reviewed the proposed changes, recommends approval and to open for public comments.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BP 10021 Charter School Application Appeals as presented and open for public comments;
2. Do not approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BP 10021 as presented;
3. Take no final action.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends the Board approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BP 10021 Charter School Application Appeals as presented and open for public comments.

BP 10021 CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICATION APPEALS

If the School Board denies an application for a charter school, the applicant may appeal the denial to the Commissioner of Education and Early Development within 60 days of the School Board's denial, in accordance with AS 14.03.250(d). A decision of the Commissioner upholding the denial may be appealed by the charter school applicant within 30 days to the State Board of Education. If the Commissioner approves the application, they shall forward it to the State Board of Education for review and approval.

(cf. BP 10020 Charter School Application)

Legal Reference:

Alaska Statutes

14.03.250(d) – Application for charter school

Adopted:

Northwest Arctic Borough School District