

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMORANDUM

TO: Robyn Burke, President

Members of the School Board

THROUGH: David Vadiveloo, Chief School Administrator/Superintendent

THROUGH: Dr. Bobby Bolen, Chief Operating Officer

FROM: Reginald Santos, Director of Information Technology RS

DATE: August 9, 2023

SUBJECT: Purchases of Over \$10K - Memo No: SB24-005

Software Subscription Renewal (Informational Item)

NSBSD Policy Manual:

BP 3300 Expenditures/Expending Authority: The Superintendent or designee may purchase supplies, materials, and equipment in accordance with the law. The Superintendent or designee shall not authorize any proposed expenditure that exceeds the major budget classification allowance against which the expenditure is the proper charge unless an amount sufficient to cover the purchase is available in the budget for transfer.

BP 3310, Purchasing Procedures: The School Board desires to ensure that maximum value is received for money spent by the district and that records are kept in accordance with the law. The Superintendent or designee may issue and sign purchase orders.

BP 3311, Bids: All purchases in the amount of \$20,000 or more shall be based, when possible, on three competitive bids. The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures to ensure that formal advertised bids are solicited for purchases over \$50,000.

BP 3312, Contracts: The Superintendent or designee may enter into contracts and memoranda of agreement on behalf of the district. All contracts and memorandums of agreement with a dollar value of \$10,000 or greater must be approved by the School Board.

BP 3440, Inventories: The Superintendent or designee shall provide for the proper control and conservation of district property.

Issue Summary:

The software renewals and service maintenance agreements (SMA) as listed below:

Background:

Below is a brief description of each software subscription and service maintenance agreement up for renewal for our school district. These tools and services have proven vital to our daily operations, enhancing our educational offerings and ensuring the safety and efficiency of our institution:

1. Adobe Creative Cloud Suite for Education - OETC

- Description: A comprehensive collection of design, video, photography, and web development applications and services.
- Value: Enables students to develop skills in multimedia, graphic design, video editing, and more, thus preparing them for a wide range of careers in the 21st century.

2. PrinterLogic - SHI

- Description: A serverless printing infrastructure that eliminates the need for print servers.
- Value: Reduces our IT overhead, provides centralized management, and offers a seamless printing experience for staff and students.

3. Lightspeed Content Filter - SHI

- Description: A web filtering solution designed for schools to ensure CIPA compliance.
- Value: Protects students from harmful web content and ensures our district complies with federal regulations.

4. Genetec Security Camera License – AFS (Arctic Fire and Security)

- Description: An innovative security solution that provides video surveillance, access control, and license plate recognition.
- Value: Ensures the safety and security of our students, staff, and facilities.

5. Follett Educational Services

- Description: Offers tools for library management, classroom content, and student information systems.
- Value: Streamlines library operations, manages classroom resources, and provides a consolidated system for student data.

6. PowerSchool SIS Maintenance

- Description: A leading student information system that provides functionalities for school administrators, teachers, parents, and students.
- Value: Centralizes student data, streamlines administrative tasks, and enhances communication between school and home.

7. PowerSchool CHALK:

- Description: Curriculum and instruction management tool.
- Value: Supports educators in aligning instruction with standards, mapping curriculum, and analyzing data to improve instruction.

8. Lexia Learning

- Description: A literacy improvement and assessment solution for students of all abilities.
- Value: Supports differentiated instruction and provides actionable data to help teachers personalize learning.

9. Pure Storage Array Service Maintenance Agreement Renewal - SHI

- Description: Offers storage solutions that provide high availability, data protection, and cloud integration.
- Value: Ensures data integrity, high-speed access, and scalability to meet our growing data storage needs.

10. Imagine Learning

- Description: digital literacy and math programs that support personalized learning
- Value: Personalized literacy and math instruction adaptable to students; actionable data for

teachers to differentiate instruction; engaging digital content reinforcing classroom learning; English Learner support and intervention; alignment to state standards and scope and sequence.

Funding Sources and Contract Amount:

Function	Account Code	Available Budget
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS/MEDIA	100.200.355.450	\$ 242,601.33

Software/SMA	Renewal Amount	Available Budget
Adobe Creative Cloud Suite for Education - OETC	\$15,775.00	\$226,826.33
PrinterLogic -SHI	\$13,644.00	\$213,182.33
Lightspeed Content Filter - SHI	\$22,020.00	\$191,162.33
Genetec Security Camera License - AFS	\$13,200.74	\$177,961.59
Follett Educational Services	\$10,439.55	\$167,522.04
PowerSchool SIS SMA	\$14,398.30	\$153,123.74
PowerSchool CHALK	\$10,160.25	\$142,963.49
Lexia Learning	\$41,300.00	\$101,663.49
Pure Storage Array SMA - SHI	\$25,575.76	\$76,087.73

Function	Account Code	Available Budget
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS/MEDIA	100.200.100.000.475	\$200,000

Software/SMA	Renewal Amount	Available Budget
Imagine Learning	\$177,980	\$200,000

Grant Funds:

No grant funds are associated with the funding of the attached renewal quotes.

Compliance with BP 3311:

These are a sole-source procurement due to the Total Cost of Ownership and Unique Capability or Compatibility justification. Even though alternative products exist, the total cost of transitioning to a new product (training, integration, maintenance, etc.) justifies staying with the existing provider. Pure Storage Array has a piece of specialized equipment, and they are the only supplier that manufactures a compatible replacement part.

Proposed Motion:

No motion is required. This is an informational Item as the purchases of supplies, materials, and equipment are within the discretion of the Chief School Administrator or designee.

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