

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

то:	Muriel Brower, President Members of the Board of Education	
FROM:	Emily Roseberry, Qargi Academy Qaukliq	
DATE:	Thursday, September 10, 2020	
SUBJECT:	Contracts over \$10K – Edmentum, Inc. – EdOptions Academy	Memo No. SB21-042

NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:

2.0 QARGI/COMMUNITY SPIRIT: Fostering the reclamation and recovery of the responsibility each one of us has for living the Iñupiaq values and being accountable at the personal and community levels for "walking the talk," embodying the QARGI spirit and commitment to education.

4.0 FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL STEWARDSHIP: Effectively employ our operational and financial resources to support our strategic goals and long-term stability of the district.

4.1 FINANCIAL STEWARDSIP/MANAGEMENT: Ensure financial management based on what is best for our students.

AS 14.03.255. Organization and Operation of a Charter School.

• A charter school operates as a school in the local school district except that the charter school (1) is exempt from the local school district's textbook, program, curriculum, and scheduling requirements; (2) is exempt from AS 14.14.130 (c); the principal of the charter school shall be selected by the academic policy committee and shall select, appoint, or otherwise supervise employees of the charter school; and (3) operates under the charter school's annual program budget as set out in the contract between the local school board and the charter school under (c) of this section. A local school board may exempt a charter school from other local school district requirements if the exemption is set out in the contract. A charter school is subject to secondary school competency testing as provided in AS 14.03.075 and other competency tests required by the department.

APC Bylaws ARTICLE VIII Contracts and Accounting

• SECTION 1. Contracts. The APC has the authority to enter into contracts, execute and otherwise legally bind the school. The APC may delegate this authority, either in specific instances or in general, to the principal or his/her designee, or to any officer of the APC.

Contract between Qargi Academy and NSBSD SB

• Educational Program: Qargi Academy shall provide an educational program that advances students' mastery of basic skill areas including mathematics, science, health,

reading, language arts, and social studies. Qargi Academy's educational program shall be appropriate to the age of students included in the program. Qargi Academy shall also provide for instruction in physical education, music, art, and informational technology. Courses not covered by EdOption's Academy such as music, art, and informational technology would be fostered by Qargi Academy and follow AK state standards and or cultural standards identified in the Inupiaq Learning Framework and or Culturally Responsive School standards. The educational program shall be designed as described in the Qargi Academy's application. Qargi Academy students shall have the option to take District required courses such as North Slope Government through the Districts distance delivery courses that are currently being offered to all other schools on the North Slope.

• **Student Services:** The District Student Services will provide student services (IEPs, 504) to the Qargi Academy similar to the existing school sites. Identification of students would involve collaboration of District Student Services, EdOptions Academy teachers, parent/guardian and Qargi Academy Chief Administrator and Type M certified teachers and utilize district's RTI process as a guide.

Qargi Academy has budgeted for one FTE AK Certified Special Education Teacher through Edoptions Academy to be utilized as necessary to provide services as outlined in the Special Services agreement with EdOptions Academy.

Issue Summary:

In accordance with applicable Board policy, contracts and MOA's 10K or greater require Board approval BP 3312.

Background:

Qargi Academy has partnered with EdOptions Academy to provide virtual online academic services. Further EdOptions Academy would provide a Sped teacher on an as needed basis.

See attached proposals for additional description of work to be performed.

Length of Contract:

The length of the contract is for one year commencing on July 1, 2020 and end on June 30, 2021.

Funding Source and Contract Amount:

Other Purchased Services Account Code 400.200.351.000.440 Amount: \$569,250

Available Budget:

Account code 400.200.351.000.440 has an available budget of \$434,520. Available Budget after the Budget Line Transfer \$569,250

Budget Line Transfer:

See attached BLT worksheet.

Proposed Motion:

"I move that the NSBSD Board of Education approve the above \$10K and greater proposal for EdOptions Academy as described in this memo and attachments."

Moved by_____ Seconded by_____

Vote_____