

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMORANDUM

TO:

Muriel Brower, President

Members of the School Board

THROUGH: Pauline Harvey, Superintendent

FROM:

Fadil Limani, CFO

DATE:

9-25-20

SUBJECT: Contracts over \$10,000 - SERRC

Memo No: SB21-049

(Action Item)

2015-2020 STRATEGIC PLAN SUMMARY

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 STEWARDSHIP/MANAGEMENT: Ensure financial management based on what is best for our students.

Issue Summary:

In accordance with applicable Board policy, contracts and MOA's \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. BP 3312

Background:

The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) is an independent, not-for-profit corporation created in 1997 to collect universal service contributions from telecommunications carriers and administer universal support mechanisms (programs) designed to help communities across the country secure access to affordable telecommunications services. USAC carries out its functions as the administrator of the federal universal service programs and Universal Service Fund (USF) under the oversight of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

USAC administers universal service programs for high cost companies in rural areas, low-income consumers, rural health care providers, and schools and libraries.

The universal service Schools and Libraries Program, commonly known as "E-rate," provides discounts of up to 90 percent to help eligible schools and libraries in the United States obtain affordable telecommunications and internet access. The program is intended to ensure that schools and libraries have access to affordable telecommunications and information services.

Eligible participants include public and most non-profit K-12 schools as well as all public and many private libraries. Program participants may request funding in five categories of service: Telecommunications, Telecommunications Services, Internet Access, Internal Connections, and Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections. Discounts for support depend on the level of poverty and the urban/rural status of the population served and range from 20 percent to 90 percent of the costs of eligible services.

SERRC Alaska Educational Resources center has provided the services of the School District for many years surrounding the overall E-Rate management and submission of required state and federal forms including with the assistance of the E-Rate Application.

The anticipated E-Rate Revenue for FY21 is expected at approximately \$4.4 million.

Funding Source and Contract Amount:

The identified funding source is derived from the Professional and Technical Account Code 100.200.355.000.410. The Proposed Contract Amount is \$26,000. The current available Budget is \$25,140. The available Budget after the BLT will be \$27,140.

Length of Contract:

The length of contract commences on date of execution of the agreement and ends as of June 30, 2021.

Budget Line Transfer:

See attached Budget Line Transfer Worksheet.

Grant Funds:

There are no grant funds associated with the funding of identified contracts.

Proposed Motion:

'I move that the NSBSD Board of Education approve the above \$10,000 and greater propose and related contract, as described in this memo and related attachments."	
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