



## NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Robyn Burke, President  
Members of the School Board

**THROUGH:** David Vadiveloo, Superintendent *DSV*

**FROM:** Chelsie Overby, Board Secretary

**DATE:** April 9, 2024

**SUBJECT:** **National Indian Education Association (NIEA)  
55<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention & Trade Show**

**Memo No: SB24-131  
(Action Item)**

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#### 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 National Indian Education Association annual convention and trade show will be held in Palm Springs, California on October 9-12, 2024. The theme for this year's convention is "Education Sovereignty. A Declaration of Change."

The Board has previously approved all board members who were available to attend to take part in this convention. The recommendation is to identify at least two Board members who may attend as the early bird registration ends August 2, 2024.

#### Background:

The Convention and Trade Show has previously included workshops regarding Advocacy & Policy; Support Systems, Teacher & Learning tracks focusing on innovative strategies to support the implementation of culture-based pedagogy; enacting Native education based policy; asset-based methods for teaching and development; equitable curriculum and instruction; community partnership development; and, trauma-informed educational practices to create safe and successful learning environments for students.

- 2023 Board Representatives – Board of Education, those who could attend
- 2022 Board Representatives – Board of Education, those who could attend
- 2021 Board Representatives – Board of Education, those who could attend
- 2020 Board Representatives – Board of Education, those who could attend (Virtual)
- 2019 Board Representatives – Roxanne Brower & Qaiyaan Harcharek
- 2018 Board Representatives – Board of Education, those who could attend
- 2017 Board Representatives – Board of Education, those who could attend

#### Proposed Motion:

"I move that the NSBSD Board of Education appoint \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the NIEA Annual Convention & Trade Show in Palm Springs, California on October 9-12, 2024."

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

Vote \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** DS Vadiveloo  
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