

MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education
Maintenance Committee

DATE: June 5, 2024

NUMBER: 24-159

FROM: Office of the Superintendent

SUBJECT: Updated Approval
of Selection of Artwork for
Kisimgiugtuq School

ABSTRACT

This Memorandum updates the Selection of Art for school projects which requires Regional School Board approval as one artist withdrew their proposal.

ISSUE

At issue is the approval of five proposals for artwork for the Kisimgiugtuq School.

BACKGROUND AND/OR PERTINENT INFORMATION

State Statutes require that a percentage of construction funds for State funded be allocated for artwork for the facility. The total art budget for the Kivalina project is \$263,000. In 2020, at the recommendation of the Community of Kivalina the Board approved the selection of Kevin G. Smith Photography to provide a large photographic display in the commons and an additional mural was contracted for the gym. These works have been completed and a balance of \$128,000 remains.

Dollie Hawley is serving as the community coordinate for the selection of art in Kivalina. In coordination with her a request for proposals for art work was advertised in February. A total of five proposals were submitted by four artists. Photos of the proposals were posted for community review. The artists submitted samples of public artwork they have produced and proposed working with community and students in the final design of the artwork. Several proposed having students involved in the production.

A community meeting was to be held following the school dedication May 9. Unfortunately, this had to be cancelled. However, the general consensus of the community is to select all five proposals and have the District's project manager, Kathy Christy, coordinate the management of the art contracts in cooperation with the Kivalina community art coordinator and the school principal.

Robin Summers Murphy withdrew her proposal for the elementary wing due to scheduling conflicts. Clayton Conners was asked to create additional panels to his proposal for the elementary wing. This change adds \$3,000 to the original estimate of \$116,000. An additional selection metal works by Jeffery Dean will use the balance funding. This will be used coordination of the art projects and effort to obtain or have students create traditional objects such as a kayak and hunting and gathering tools.

Approval of the following updated list artists will allow the production of the artwork to be scheduled and included in the fall school calendar.

1. Clayton Conner – Proposal 1 mural for secondary commons area \$20,000 estimate
2. Clayton Conner – Proposal 2 mural of elementary wing \$43,000 estimate
3. Nancy-Haule Johnson – 1 ft by 2 ft tiles decorated with local plants and flowers beside the door of each classroom. \$12,000 estimate
4. Kevin Smith - Large aerial photo of the village of Kivalina for the north wall of the Commons/Dining Not to exceed \$39,600
5. Jeffery Dean – Not to exceed balance of funding – approximately \$13,000

ALTERNATIVES

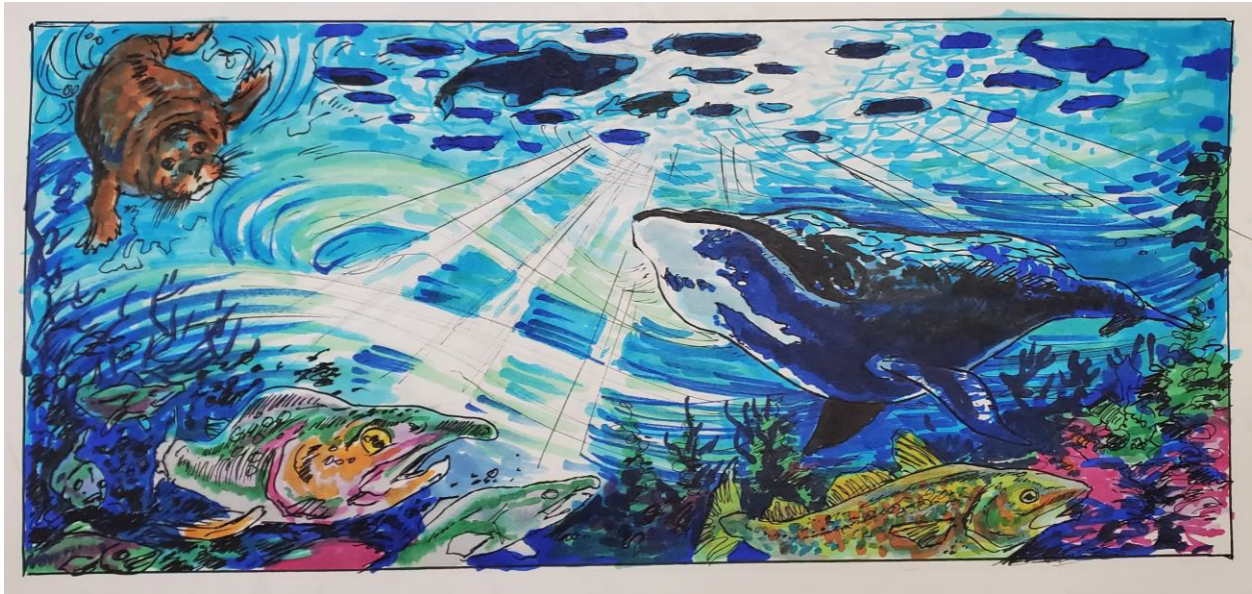
1. Approve the selection of all five proposals for art for the Kisimigiugtuq School and authorize the superintendent to enter into art contracts with the selected artists not to exceed the total art budget balance of \$128,000.
2. Do not concur with the selection of specific art proposals for the Kisimigiugtuq School
3. Do not approve the selection of any of the proposals for art for the Kisimigiugtuq School and do not authorize the superintendent to enter into art contracts with any of the proposed artists.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends the approval of the selection of all five proposals for art for the Kisimigiugtuq School and authorize the superintendent to enter into art contracts with the selected artists not to exceed the total art budget balance of \$128,000.

ATTACHMENTS: Examples of the Artists' work.

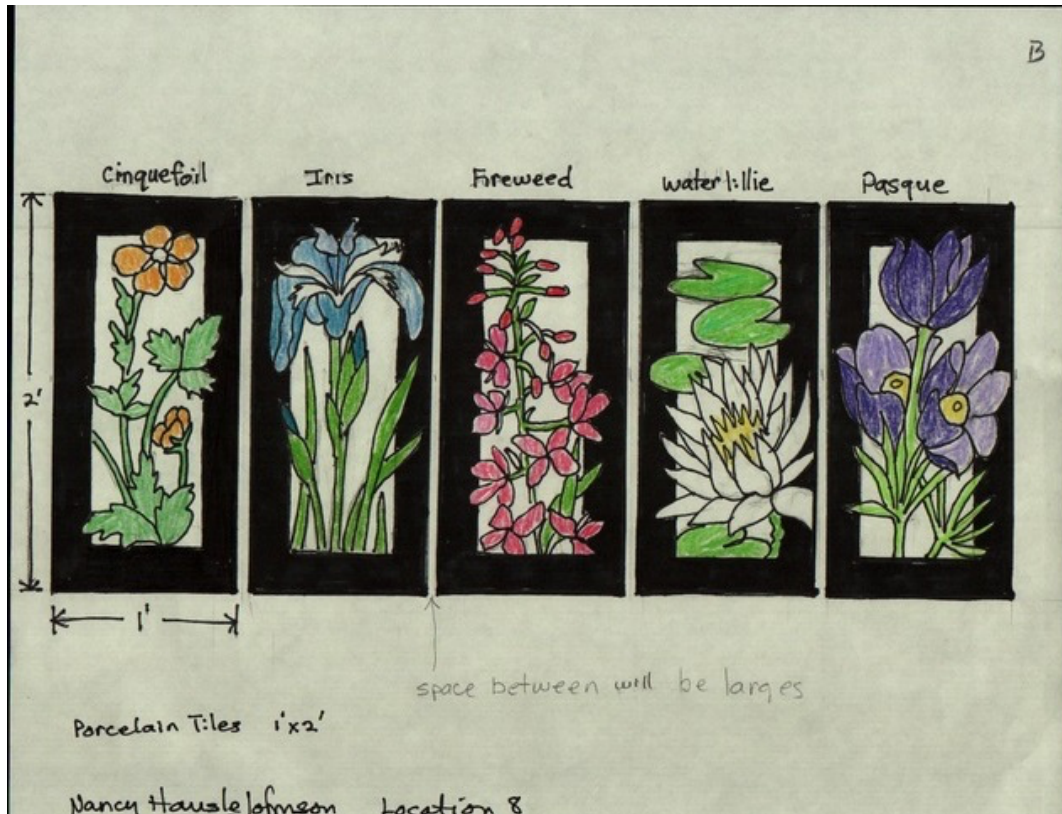
Clayton Conner #1 This is a concept – students to select the specific subject



Clayton Conner #2 Example of a student selected mural for Huslia School. Students to identify the subjects. Four pla



#3 Nancy Haule Johnson Students to select the plants and flowers



4 Kevin Smith large aerial of entire village of Kivalina (not the photo shown in this example).



5 Jeffery Dean - Example Approximately 4 ft x 5 ft

