



NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Roxanne Brower, Board President
Members of the School Board

FROM: Chris Aguirre, Assistant Superintendent

DATE: May 3, 2019

SUBJECT: April School Board Report

Memo No. AS19-10

Issue Summary:

In response to the request made by the Board in November, I am submitting this report as an overview of the work I engaged in during the month of April:

- As the Assistant Superintendent acting as the Superintendent in Stewart's absence, I want to assure you that I will be working closely with our dedicated team of teachers and administrators to ensure the smooth operation of District affairs until the next Superintendent is chosen.
- **Certificated Evaluation Committee:** Because of our end-of-year schedule, the Certificated Evaluation Committee was not able to meet to wrap up its work for this year. As we look towards next year, the Committee will be engaging in the following work to ensure a smooth transition to our next step:
 - Identifying an observation tool
 - Mapping out key training dates
 - Finalizing the report to the State showing our process for this change
 - Presenting to the Board on the final product

Depending on our start-up schedule, I would expect this work to be finished in the first semester of the 2019-2020 school year. I would like to recognize the hard work and dedication of the teachers and administrators who took part in this process and to thank them for all of their hard work.

- **Targeted and Whole School Intervention Grant Status:** As we approach the summer, we have received word from the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development that it has approved plans from Nuiqsut and Kiita. DEED has asked us to make some adjustments to our proposals from Atqasuk and Barrow High School before it approves the proposals. We are currently in the process of holding key constituent meetings at BHS and adjusting its current plan to address the specific needs of the target sub-group, and we are making adjustments to the Atqasuk plan to ensure that we are addressing the issues brought up in the review.
- **TOPs Survey:** This month, I have included with the District report the third-round TOPs survey. This report includes an analysis of each of the 36 questions. In addition, I have included a copy of the TOPs narrative analysis. This report includes a look at the opportunities for improvement (OFIs) and strengths for each domain.

