



**North Slope Borough School District Board of Education
Archie K. Brower Conference Room, Central Office
Utqiagvik, AK**

**Unapproved Minutes
Regular Meeting
August 10, 2021
1:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER AND MOMENT OF SILENCE: Qaiyaan Harcharek, Board President, called the Board of Education Regular Meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. at the Archie K. Brower Conference Room in the North Slope Borough School District Central Office and over ZOOM Video Communications.

WORDS OF WISDOM: Ethel Burke provided the words of wisdom for the School Board.

FLAG SALUTE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board of Education.

ROLL CALL:

Nora Jane Burns – Present
Madeline Hickman - Present
Frieda Nageak – Present
Robyn Burke– Present
Caitlin Montague – Present

Nancy Rock- Present
Qaiyaan Harcharek – Present
Student Representative: Trishelle Okpik – Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Robyn Burke MOVED to APPROVE the agenda with the ADDITION of Memo No. SB22-019 Board Policy Reading of: BP 3300, BP 3310, BP 3311 to the agenda under Item 2.E and ADDITION of the following Purchases Over 10K as read into the record at its corresponding meeting to the CONSENT AGENDA: SB21-016 Purchases Over 10K, August 6 Regular Meeting; SB21-029 Purchases Over 10K, August 24 Special Meeting; SB21-047 Purchases Over 10K, October 1 Regular Meeting; SB21-067 Purchases Over 10K, November 12 Regular Meeting; SB21-090 Purchases Over 10K, December 10 Regular Meeting; SB21-103 Purchases Over 10K, January 14 Regular Meeting; SB21-121 Purchases Over 10K, February 10, Regular Meeting; SB21-152 Purchases Over 10K, March 11, Regular Meeting; SB21-160 Purchases Over 10K, April 15, Regular Meeting; SB21-245 Purchases Over 10K, May 20, Regular Meeting; SB21-188 Purchases Over 10K, June 30, Special Meeting. Madeline Hickman SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

BOARD POLICY READING OF: BP 3300 EXPENDITURES/EXPENDING AUTHORITY, BP 3310 PURCHASING PROCEDURES, and BP 3311 BIDS is presented by Fadil Limani, Chief Financial Officer. As prescribed in BP 9311 Board Policies, the School Board recognizes that its most important function to establish policies that communicate its direction for the management and control of the schools. Policies are written statements adopted by the Board that communicate the guidelines and limits within which the Superintendent or designee and staff may take discretionary action. In addition, the respective BP provides that the Board encourages members of the community to contribute information and opinions for the Board's consideration and propose revisions to policy. The adoption of policy shall conform to Board bylaws governing agenda, meetings, and voting. Only those written statements adopted and recorded in the minutes shall constitute official Board policy. Prior to adoption, policies shall normally be given two readings by the Board. At its second reading, the policy may be

adopted by a majority vote of all members of the Board. The Board may waive the second reading or may require additional readings. The policies as read into the record are as follows. Board Policy 3300, EXPENDITURES/EXPENDING AUTHORITY: Note: A.S. 14.14.060 provides that the borough assembly, with the consent of the school district, may by ordinance delegate to the school district responsibility for a centralized treasury and/or accounting system. A.S. 14.08.101 empowers regional school boards to establish their own fiscal procedures and exempts them from A.S. 36.30 (State Procurement Code) and A.S. 37.05 (Fiscal Procedures Act). A.S. 14.08.111 requires the regional school board to designate employees authorized to direct disbursements from school funds of the board. The Superintendent or designee may purchase supplies, materials and equipment in accordance with law. (cf. 3310 - Purchasing Procedures) (cf. 3311 - Bids) (cf. 3312 - Contracts) (cf. 3460 - Periodic Financial Reports) The Superintendent or designee shall not authorize any proposed expenditure that exceeds the major budget classification allowance against which the expenditure is the proper charge unless an amount sufficient to cover the purchase is available in the budget for transfer. (cf. 3100 - Budget) (cf. 3110 - Transfer of Funds) The Board shall not recognize obligations incurred contrary to Board policy and administrative regulations. Legal Reference: ALASKA STATUTES 14.08.101 Powers (regional school boards) 14.08.111 Duties (regional school boards) 14.14.060 Relationship between borough school district and borough 14.17.910 Restrictions governing receipt and expenditure of district 36.30 State procurement code 37.05 Fiscal procedures act. Adopted 6/01; Revised 08/19; Revised 08/21. Board Policy 3310, PURCHASING PROCEDURES The School Board desires to ensure that maximum value is received for money spent by the district and that records are kept in accordance with law. The Superintendent or designee may issue and sign purchase orders. (cf. 3300 - Expenditures/Expending Authority) (cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts) (cf. 3460 - Periodic Financial Reports) (cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest) Note: A.S. 36.15.050 establishes a preference for purchasing Alaskan agricultural and fisheries products. A.S. 14.03.085 makes school districts, except REAA's, subject to A.S. 29.71.050, which establishes a preference for purchasing recycled Alaska products. The School Board encourages the selection of Alaskan products when such products meet the needs of the district and shall adhere to state law regarding purchasing preferences for Alaskan products. (cf. 3311 - Bids) (cf. 3312 - Contracts) Note: A U.S. Supreme Court decision indicates that before enacting an affirmative action purchasing program, the district would have to have strong evidence of past district discrimination against minority contractors and the district's program would have to be narrowly tailored to accomplish its remedial purpose. Legal Reference: ALASKA STATUTES 14.08.101 Powers (regional school boards); 14.14.060 Relationship between borough school district and borough; 14.14.065 Relationship between city school district and city; 14.17.910 Restrictions governing receipt and expenditure of money from public school foundation account; 29.71.050 Procurement preferences for recycled Alaska products; 36.30 State procurement code; 37.05 Fiscal procedures act. COURT DECISIONS City of Richmond v. J.A. Croson Co., 488 U.S. 469 (1989) Revised 9/97 – AASB; Adopted 6/01; Revised 9/19; Revised 9/21. Board Policy 3311, BIDS The district shall purchase equipment, supplies and services on a competitive bidding basis when required by law and whenever it appears to be in the best interest of the district to do so. All Purchases in the amount of \$20,000 or more shall be based, when possible, on three competitive bids. The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures to ensure that formal advertised bids are solicited for purchases over \$50,000. To ensure that good value is received for funds expended, specifications shall be carefully designed and shall describe in detail the quality, delivery and service required. All contracts and orders will be awarded to the lowest priced responsible, qualified supplier. The district may treat a local firm as the low bidder when its bid is no more than 5% higher than the low bid of a firm located outside North Slope Borough boundaries. (e. 3310 – Purchasing Procedures, Procurement) (cf. 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment) (cf. 9270 - Conflict of Interest) Legal Reference: ALASKA STATUTES: 14.14.060 Relationship between borough school district and borough; 14.14.060 (h) Procurement of supplies and equipment; 14.14.065 Relationship between city school district and city;

14.03.085 Procurement preference for recycled Alaska products; 29.71.050 Procurement preferences for recycled Alaska products; 35.15 Construction procedures; 36.15.020 Use of local agriculture and fisheries products required in products with state money. ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE: 4 AAC 27.085 Competitive pupil transportation proposals; 4 AAC 31.080 Construction and acquisition of public school facilities. COURT DECISIONS Fairbanks North Star Borough School District v. Bowers, 851 P.2d 56 (Alaska 1992) Revised 9/97 – AASB; Adopted 6/01; Revised 08/19; Revised 08/21

Points of discussion regarded: Processing policy changes and compliance; and Appointment of Designee.

Robyn Burke MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education WAIVE the SECOND READING and ADOPT: Board Policy 3300, Expenditures/Expending Authority; Board Policy 3310, Purchasing Procedures; and Board Policy 3311, Bids, as read into the record under Memo No. SB22-019 and attachments and the policies be IN EFFECT RETROACTIVE TO October 3, 2019. Nora Jane Burns SECONDED the motion. Discussion called. Question called for UNANIMOUS CONSENT. No Objections. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Robyn Burke MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the Consent Agenda. Caitlin Montague SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: District staff and community members were recognized as present.

INTRODUCTION OF SUPERINTENDENT CARLSON: Superintendent Richard Carlson introduced himself to the Board of his personal life, experience as a previous Human Resources Director of the North Slope Borough School District, Superintendent Mentorship, and overall education experience.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEM(S): No comments were heard at this time.

FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH FUNDING is presented by Qaiyaan Harcharek. Board President Harcharek announced the North Slope Borough School Districts position regarding resolving the North Slope Borough's interpretation of the School District's fund balance. For reference, during the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget Hearings with the North Slope Borough, the North Slope Borough reduced the School District's funding appropriation by nearly \$2.4 million. This resulted in a reduction of resources within the District. As prescribed in the North Slope Borough Municipal Code §3.07.040 Transfer of Funds, (A) One-half of the Borough Support appropriated for that fiscal year will be transferred to the School District on or before July 15. The School District's approved appropriation for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 was \$36,828,052. Based on the referenced Municipal Code, the School District was expected to receive \$18,414,026 on or before July 15. The School District instead received \$12,178,489 on July 15, 2021. This is a withholding of \$6,235,537. The District is in no financial position to be able to absorb such significant withholding of funds without compromising the services and level of education the District provides to the children on the North Slope. The North Slope Borough School District has complied with the Governor's Order, Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Audit Report, and the newly adopted Legislation of HB76 surrounding the designation of fund balance. In the event the North Slope Borough does not release the withholding of the funding, the School District will require reductions to programs, including staffing levels, which are critical to the students education. The School Board is committed in continuing to work with the North Slope Borough Assembly and Administration in order to find a solution that would restore the funding needed for education, especially during the pandemic. The

announcement placed emphasis on families to reach out to the North Slope Borough Assembly members of their decision on withholding funds.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT is presented by Superintendent Richard Carlson, Director of Curriculum & Instruction Liz Noble, Coordinator of Iñupiaq Education Tennessee Judkins, Director of Special Education/Student Services Lori Roth, Logistics Specialist Jeremy Goodwin, Human Resources Director David Camp, Director of Information Technology Everett Haimes, Director of Maintenance & Operations Craig Jones, and Chief Financial Officer Fadil Limani. The Superintendent Office reported on: School Status, Safety and health precautions; Mitigation plan updates as required by State and Federal regulations; Staff In-services; Alaska Superintendent Association Annual Summer Meeting; Pandemic challenges; and anticipation of onboarding the next Superintendent for smooth transition. Curriculum & Instruction reported on: providing an updated Assessment and RTI Plan; School Year 2021-2022 assessments; Truancies in school and participation; Staff Orientation for administrators and teachers; Sylvan Learning; School enrollment possibilities; and support of Free and Reduced application certification. Iñupiaq Education reported on: Staff introduction; Staff Orientation for Administrators and Teachers; Iñupiaq Language Teacher collaboration meetings; Cultural In-Service; Data migration to new software and progress; Cultural Unit implementation; and material/resources purchase processing. Student Services reported on: Staff appreciation; Secured data transfers to Embrace system and operation; Professional development and training; Staffing vacancies and needs; Extended School year programs at Tikigaq, Ipalook/Barrow High School, and Harold Kaveolook School; Section 504 plans; Alaska Career Identification System (AKCIS) Program; Youth Mental Health First Aid; Applied Suicide Intervention Skills; McKinney-Vento Homeless Identification; Second Step; Department of Vocational Rehab/Tribal Vocational Rehab; and Illisaġvik College. For State and Federal Programs, the following were reported on: American Recovery Act; Johnson O'Malley Grant; Indian Education Grant; Migrant Education; Perkins Grant; School Improvement Grant; Special Education (VI-B); and the Title Grants. Student Activities reported on: ASAA update; 1A Activities involving Cross Country, Mixed Six Volleyball, and Basketball; 2A Activities involving Volleyball, denied request of 1A participation, and Basketball; and 3A Activities involving Football, Volleyball, Wrestling, and Basketball. The Business Office reported on: Monthly Financial Report; Federal Communications Commission issuance granting the District's waiver request allowing for the District to receive the E-Rate Subsidy for Fiscal Year 2020-2021; Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget Form to the State; Completion of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Rollover; Progress of Grant Reimbursement Requests for Q4; Progress of Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Preliminary Audit fieldwork; Submission of RUS Grant Application for Fiscal Year 2021-2022; CARES ACT II Application completion; Progress of American Recovery Act; Progress of BAG Grant; Stop-Loss Insurance for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 renewal; Progress of settlement for the Kaktovik fire; and day to day operations. Human Resources reported on: Staff introduction; Job Fair progress; New Hire Orientation; Grievances and Complaints; Department expectations; and review of compensation plan, processes, and Strategic Plan within Human Resources. Information Technology reported: Power outage significant issues and system complications as a result; GCI network migration; progress of hardware configuration and installation in Anchorage for central services; and Network topology of firewalls progress. Maintenance & Operations reported on: Housing units; Capital Improvement Projects in villages; preparation of incoming supplies; Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Lease completion; Site cleaning; and progress of Residential Learning Center remodel; Transportation required pupil inspections progress; Food Service preparation and inventory.

Points of discussion regarded: Mitigation plans for sites; Improving communication; New Hire In-service Participation; Improving communication with Iñupiaq Language Teachers; Classroom/activities supplies; Culture based units implementation; Recruiters of school sites; Kaktovik School Gym progress for students; Sports; Mitigation team requirements for teams; Audit process, availability of information, and

timeline; E-Rate Appeal approval; Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget submission to the State of Alaska; Capital Improvement Project overall and progress of Harold Kaveolook School; Information Technology Preparation of School Re-opening; Legislative update on Infrastructure Bill approval in regards to Broadband; Meal tracking systems; Food supply; School Status; Construction in Alak School; and Housing.

Board member Frieda Nageak requested invitations to Board members for school in-services. Board member Nora Jane Burns and Robyn Burke requested information regarding Youth Mental Health First Aid Training and potentially participating.

PURCHASES OVER 10K is presented by Chief Financial Officer Fadil Limani. In accordance with the applicable Board Policy 3312, contracts and Memorandum of Agreements \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. As prescribed in Board Policy 3300 and 3310, the Superintendent or designee may issue and sign purchase orders for supplies, materials, and equipment in accordance with law. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall not authorize any proposed expenditure that exceeds the major budget classification allowance against which the expenditure is the proper charge unless an amount sufficient to cover the purchase is available in the budget for transfer. Item One includes the purchase of Microsoft Software Licensing for Information Technology from OETC in the amount of \$30,773.12 under account code 100.200.355.000.450 with an available budget of 568,330.16. This does not require a budget line transfer, and is not grant funded. Item Two includes the purchase of Adobe Software Licensing for Information Technology from OETC in the amount of \$12,125 under account code 100.200.355.000.450 with an available budget of 537,557.04. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is not applicable for compliance with Board Policy 3311. Item Three includes the purchase of Lightspeed Web Filter Software Licensing from SHI for Information Technology in the amount of \$24,940 under account code 100.200.355.000.450 with an available budget of 500,492.04. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is in compliance with Board Policy 3311 through National IPA. Item Four includes the purchase of Malwarebytes Security Software Licensing from SHI for Information Technology in the amount of \$21,893.94 under account code 100.200.355.000.450. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is in compliance with Board Policy 3311 through National IPA. The total for Purchases Over 10K under Memo No. SB22-009 is \$89,732.06.

CONTRACT OVER 10K, IMAGINE LEARNING is presented by Liz Noble, Director of Curriculum & Instruction. Under Strategic Plan Goal 1.0 Student Success, 4.0 Financial & Operational Stewardship, 4.2 Financial Stewardship/Management, 4.5 Technology, and in accordance with applicable Board Policy 3312, Contracts and Memorandum of Agreements \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. Imagine Learning Literacy was board approved as an intervention resource in April 2020 following the SY18-19 pilot. Imagine Language & Literacy is an adaptive learning solution that accelerates reading and language proficiency for students in grades PreK–6. Designed to supplement core literacy instruction, Imagine Language & Literacy provides instruction and practice in all four domains of literacy—reading, writing, listening, and speaking. Imagine Learning supports the development of both oral and academic language, which are essential to literacy. Through a systematic approach to vocabulary, grammar, and language conventions, Imagine Language & Literacy explicitly teaches students the skills that are critical to reading comprehension and language proficiency. One hundred and eighty one students participated, district wide, during SY20-21. Of those identified students, we started the year with 3% above grade level and ended the year with 7% above grade level. 13% started the year on grade level, which increased to 14% on grade level. Imagine Learning also provided media boosters, free of charge, to support bandwidth challenges during COVID. Unfortunately, only one booster was installed by the end of the school year however,

additional media boosters are now installed to support student learning for SY21-22 in Point Lay, Kaktovik, Ipalook Elementary, Nunamiut, Atqasuk, Nuiqsut, Point Hope, and Wainwright. The length of the annual subscription for Imagine Learning is July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The funding source for School Year 2021-2022 is 100.200.351.000.450 in the amount of \$72,000. Current Available Budget is \$3,793.66. The Available Budget after a budget line transfer is \$28,793.66. In addition, there is a Pre-Encumbrance of \$67,000.00 in Tyler for the associated subscription renewal. This is not grant funded. For Compliance with Board Policy 3311, Imagine Learning is the sole-source and exclusive distributor of the Imagine Learning and Literacy program. These programs are unique and cannot be obtained from any other vendor, including the programs being protected by both copyright and trademark. The products were created by employees of Imagine Learning as a "work for hire," and, therefore, Imagine Learning is the author and owner of the copyright.

Points of discussion regarded: Length of contract and potentially extending; Budget restrictions; and other supplemental programs in regards to repeated efforts or differentiating aspects of the programs.

Nancy Rock MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the above \$10,000 and greater proposal and related contract with Imagine Learning, in an amount NOT TO EXCEED \$72,000, as described in this memo and related attachments. Madeline Hickman SECONDED the motion. Discussion called. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

CONTRACT OVER 10K, NWEA is presented by Liz Noble, Director of Curriculum & Instruction. Under Strategic Plan Goal 1.0 Student Success, 4.0 Financial & Operational Stewardship, 4.2 Financial Stewardship/Management, 4.5 Technology, and in accordance with applicable Board Policy 3312, Contracts and Memorandum of Agreements \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. NWEA-MAP supports district wide benchmark assessments 3-times a year. MAP Data is used to identify student skill strengths and deficits to drive instruction. North Slope Borough School District has supported student data via NWEA since 2007. The length of the annual subscription is July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. The funding source for NWEA-MAP is under account code 100.200.351.000.450 in the amount of \$15,525. Current Available Budget is \$3,793.66. Available Budget after the budget line transfer is \$28,793.66. For compliance with Board Policy 3311, NWEA TM is the sole owner of MAP@ Growth TM , MAP@ Skills TM , and Children's Progress Academic AssessmentTM (CPAA TM). NWEA's patents and trade secrets position it to be the exclusive provider for these products. Their unique expertise has been developed over the course of more than 40 years of partnering to help all kids learn. NWEA is the sole owner of MAP Growth including its proprietary scoring and reporting software. Furthermore, the invaluable research database supporting these products is exclusive to NWEA. NWEA also owns the research studies conducted in association with MAP Growth and controls the use and release of the test items delivered through it.

Points of discussion regarded budget availability in regards to the previously approved subscription renewals.

Nancy Rock MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the above \$10,000 and greater proposal and related contract for NWEA-MAP, in the amount NOT TO EXCEED \$15,525, as described in this memo and related attachments. Caitlin Montague SECONDED the motion. Discussion called. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

CONTRACT OVER 10K, KBRW is presented by Chelsie Overby, Board Secretary. Under Strategic Plan Goal 2.1 Communication, 4.0 Financial & Operational Stewardship, 4.2 Financial

Stewardship/Management, and in accordance with applicable Board Policy 3312, Contracts and Memorandum of Agreements \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. The School District has utilized KBRW for many years with a scope of service providing the following: 43 weeks of airtime, staff, and facilities for a weekly, one-hour informational radio talk show, featuring the NSBSD highlights and monthly School Board Meeting, live or pre-recorded. The show content will be the responsibility of the underwriter and must fall within the programming policies of KBRW. Mention in all promotional announcements aired throughout the season. KBRW is a non-commercial, community radio station owned and operated by Silakkuagvik Communications, Inc. of Utqiagvik, Alaska, and can be heard on AM radios at 680khz, and FM radios at 91.9 on the dial. KBRW broadcasts a diverse and vibrant program schedule to the North Slope communities of Utqiagvik, Point Hope, Point Lay, Wainwright, Atkasuk, Nuiqsut, Prudhoe Bay, and Kaktovik; including, essential information services such as Emergency Alert System, and AMBER announcements; severe weather warnings; and local, regional, state, national, and international news as well as entertainment programming to a combined listening population of more than 10,000. The residents of these communities rely on KBRW for instantaneous information regarding emergencies and weather-related threats. The length of the contract is for Fiscal Year 2021-2022; August 2021 through May 2022. This will be paid under account code 100.200.511.000.410 in the amount of \$12,000. Available budget is \$95,959. There are no grant funds associated. Compliance with Board Policy 3311 is not applicable as the dollar amount of the contract is less than \$20,000.

Madeline Hickman MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the above \$10,000 and greater proposal and related contract with Silakkuagvik Communications, Inc., in an amount NOT TO EXCEED \$12,000, as described in this memo and related attachments. Caitlin Montague SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENT is presented by Chelsie Overby, Board Secretary. Under Strategic Plan Goal 2.0 Community Engagement, 2.3 Communications, and in accordance with Board Policy 9110, Board Membership, the Board shall appoint student Board member(s) as deemed necessary to provide student input and involvement for the 2021-2022 School Year. Board Bylaw 9110 Board Membership and Administrative Regulation 9110 Selection of the Student Representative describe the requirements and process for NSBSD Board of Education Student Representative. In order to provide student input and involvement, the Board shall appoint student board member(s) as deemed necessary. The student board member will participate in person, by teleconference or video teleconference in public meetings of the Board, be recognized at meetings, participate in discussing issues and shall receive all materials presented to the members of the Board except those related to executive sessions. Administration received a request from Magdalena Stringer to be a student representative on the Board of Education in addition to the current student representative Trishelle Okpik. Included is Ms. Stringers letter of interest as well as her written responses to the questions regularly asked of student representatives.

Board members thanks Magdalena Stringer and Trishelle Okpik for attending this meeting and interest as the Student Representatives on the Board of Education. Board member Madeline Hickman encouraged the Student Representatives to reach out to the school counselors as well as students for feedback, and to the Board members if there is no communication from the sites.

Caitlin Montague MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPOINT Magdalena Stringer as a Student Representative to the Board of Education during the 2021-2022 School Year. Nora Jane Burns SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

SCHOOL YEAR 2021-2022 COURSE LISTING is presented by Liz Noble, Director of Curriculum & Instruction. This agenda item accomplishes Strategic Plan Goal 1.0 Student Success. As per Board Policy 6143: Courses of Study.... Secondary Schools: The School Board shall adopt courses of study designed to meet student needs, to align with district adopted standards, and to conform with district graduation requirements and the requirements for admission to postsecondary schools. Courses of study shall also provide students with the opportunity to attain skills appropriate for entry-level employment upon graduation from high school. The Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the updated Course Offerings for school year 2021-2022 to support student interests and meet NSBSD Graduation requirements. This course listing was last approved October 2020 with Career Technical Education Pilot Courses identified and highlighted for Board review. There were no changes.

Nancy Rock MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the 2021-2022 Course List Offerings. Nora Jane Burns SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCES, NATIONAL INDIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, OCTOBER 13-16, 2021 is presented by Richard Carlson, Superintendent. 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. The National Indian Education Association will be held at the CHI Health Center, Omaha's Convention Center & Arena in Nebraska on October 13-16, 2021. The theme for this year's Convention is "Native Control of Native Education: A Time to Lead." The Convention and Trade Show will include innovative participatory workshops, research presentations, poster sessions, and keynote addresses by prominent educators and advocates. The Board may appoint two Board members to take part in this convention. For travel, NIEA provided the CDC link for domestic travel during COVID-19. The link is: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/travel-during-covid19.html> For any travel restrictions, the link for Omaha Nebraska is: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/COVID-19-Traveler-Recommendations.aspx>. For Alaska, the travel advisory link is: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/travelers/> . For Background, The Board appointed the following in previous years: 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; 2016 Board Representatives – Raymond Nashookpuk and Mary Patkotak; and 2015 Board Representatives – Eva Kinneeveauk and Qaiyaan Harcharek.

Nora Jane Burns MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education send Board members willing and able to go to PARTICIPATE in the Annual National Indian Education Association Convention & Trade Show in Omaha Nebraska on October 13-16, 2021. Madeline Hickman SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCES, ELDERS & YOUTH CONFERENCE, OCTOBER 17-20, 2021 & ALASKA FEDERATION OF NATIVES CONFERENCE, OCTOBER 21-23, 2021 is presented by Richard Carlson, Superintendent. The First Alaskans Institute Statewide Elders & Youth Conference will be held virtually on October 17-20, 2021. Last year, registration was free with the encouragement of schools' participation counted as in school attendance as part of the virtual school offerings for the students of Alaska during this pandemic. Included in this memo is the announcement of the virtual conference. The Alaska Federation of Natives Annual Convention will be held October 21-23, 2021 at the Dena'ina Center in Anchorage, Alaska featuring the theme, "ANCSA at 50: Empowering Our

Future.” The Convention will be viewable statewide via live TV, radio, and webstreaming while the convention is held in-person. The agenda will include two nights of Quiana Alaska cultural performances, the renowned Native arts showcase, and an exhibit hall featuring AFN members and partners. The Board may appoint Board members to attend the virtual First Alaskans Institute Statewide Elders & Youth Conference on October 17-20, 2021 and consecutively, two members for the “hybrid” in-person/virtual Alaska Federation of Native Annual Convention held October 21-23, 2021.

Nancy Rock MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPOINT members able to attend and participate at the virtual Elders & Youth Conference on October 17-20, 2021 and participate in the AFN Annual Convention on October 21-23, 2021 in Anchorage, Alaska. Madeline Hickman SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFERENCES, ASSOCIATION OF ALASKA SCHOOL BOARDS ANNUAL CONFERENCE, NOVEMBER 4-7, 2021 is presented by Richard Carlson, Superintendent. 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. The Association of Alaska School Boards 2021 Annual Conference will be held at the Hilton in Anchorage, Alaska on November 4-7, 2021 featuring the theme, “Moving Forward: Ensuring Equity.” The conference will include networking opportunities, sessions to sharpen your boardsmanship skills, and presentation topics that are prevalent in this pandemic. Each year, the Board of Education budgets for all seven members and the student representatives of the Board to attend the Alaska Association of School Boards Annual Conference. The details of the conference are under review and will be available soon. During the annual conference, our district and Northwest Arctic Borough School District alternate organizing the Rural Caucus and consecutively move into a joint meeting. The November 2021 Rural Caucus is scheduled to be hosted by our District to organize the agenda. Rural School Boards will have an opportunity to form unified legislative priorities and aid in advocating for rural communities during the legislative session. The Board may appoint its members to attend the AASB Annual Conference held on November 4-7, 2021. This also includes the Rural Caucus scheduled to be hosted by our district.

Nancy Rock MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education ATTEND and PARTICIPATE at the Association of Alaska School Boards Annual Conference and Rural Caucus on November 4-7, 2021. Nora Jane Burns SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

SCHOOL BOARD COMMENTS: Board member Nora Jane Burns welcomed new and returning teachers; students; and reminded the community to utilize the appraisal forms, complaint process; and congratulated this school year’s graduating seniors. Board member Caitlin Montague encouraged staff and students to take precaution in regards to COVID in order for school to be in-person. Board member Frieda Nageak commented on the sessions attended in the Government Finance Officers Association conference; welcomed the staff; reminded parents to prepare their children for school in regards to attendance and trancies reported by the District. Board Member Madeline Hickman commented on the sessions attended in the Government Finance Officers Association conference; welcomed Superintendent Richard Carlson and incoming staff; and encouraged students to participate and improve in school; and commented on school sports. Board member Robyn Burke welcomed Superintendent Richard Carlson, incoming new and returning staff and students; welcomed the Student Representatives Magdelina Stringer and Trishelle Okpik; and briefly discussed the mitigation meeting in regards to the importance of masking; Stressed the importance of communication; and informed the Board of her attendance in the meeting with the North Slope Borough Assembly and Illsaḡvik College Board of Trustees. Board member Qaiyaan

Harcharek stressed the importance of mental health; briefly discussed the Voice of the Arctic meeting; welcomed Superintendent Richard Carlson; reiterated that the retreat for the Strategic Planning is still underway; and welcoming the Student Representatives Magdalena Stringer and Trishelle Okpik.

PUBLIC COMMENT(S): No comments were heard at this time.

DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 Special Meeting in Utqiagvik, Alaska; Thursday, September 9, 2021 Regular Meeting in Utqiagvik, Alaska.

ADJOURNED AT 4:48 P.M. Nora Jane Burns MOVED to adjourn. The meeting stands adjourned.

Respectfully submitted for the September 9, 2021 Regular Meeting:

Chelsie Overby, Board Secretary

Qaiyaan Harcharek, Board President

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