MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education DATE: January 24, 2024

Members

NUMBER: 24-069

FR: Office of the Superintendent SUBJECT: Approval of Proposed

Revisions to BP 3311, Business and Non-Instructional Operations, Bids; First Reading

STRATEGIC PLAN/BOARD GOAL:

Track 1: Operational Improvements Initiative: Optimize Business Practices

ABSTRACT:

Board policy revisions require Board approval.

ISSUE:

At issue is to approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BP 3311, Business and Non-Instructional Operations, Bids and open for public comments.

BACKGROUND AND/OR PERTINENT INFORMATION:

The Superintendent/designee presents drafts or suggestions for board policy revisions when changes in law occur or when specific need occurs. Policy revisions shall normally be given two readings prior to adoption by the Board.

This is the first reading of the proposed revisions to BP 3311, Business and Non-Instructional Operations, Bids.

This update includes a list of items that are exempt from normal purchasing procedures. Items on this list may be removed (and be subject to normal purchasing procedures) at a Board's discretion.

The Board Policy Committee reviewed the proposed changes, recommends approval and to open for public comments.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BP 3311, Business and Non-Instructional Operations, Bids as presented and open for public comments;
- 2. Do not approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BP 3311 as presented;
- 3. Take no final action.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends the Board approve the first reading of the proposed revisions to BP 3311, Business and Non-Instructional Operations, Bids as presented and open for public comments.

BP 3311 BIDS

All purchase orders with an estimated cost of \$50,000 or more shall be competitively bid using formal bidding procedures and a recommendation as to the award shall be brought to the Board for their approval.

All purchase orders with an estimated cost of \$10,000 but less than \$50,000 shall require written price quotes from an adequate number of 2 or more qualified sources. If the lowest price quote is not selected the reasons shall be given in writing and forwarded to the purchasing office.

Each purchase order shall encompass all costs associated with the item to determine if written price quotes or formal bid procedures are required. Segmented purchases will be combined to determine when Board approval is required.

With the exception of Board approval purchases under the following circumstances are exempt from the provisions of this policy:

- 1. in an emergency;
- 2. available from one source;
- 3. purchased from other governmental agencies.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish procedures to implement these requirements. Prior to any purchase, the District should review the federal funding award or grant to determine if it requires compliance with OMB's procurement procedures.

Performance bonds may be required for all contracts, or when the quantity of the amount of money is in excess of \$50,000.

Under no condition shall bids be accepted after the advertised bid opening time, regardless of whether the bids are actually opened at that time.

Purchases Made Under Federal OMB Funding Awards

All bids under Federal awards must be made in accordance with the standards set forth in <u>2 CFR 200.320</u>. One of the following five methods of procurement shall be used for each purchase under a federal award:

- 1. Micro-purchases: Less than \$3,000 (\$2,000 for purchases subject to the Davis-Bacon Act)
 - a. No competitive quotes required
 - b. Purchases should be spread among qualified suppliers