



NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Qaiyaan Harcharek, President
Members of the School Board

THROUGH: Rich Carlson, Superintendent ^{DS} *RC*

FROM: Chelsie Overby, Board Secretary ^{DS} *CO*

DATE: August 4, 2021

SUBJECT: First Alaskans Institute Elders & Youth Conference and Alaska Federation of Natives Annual Convention (AFN) **Memo No: SB22-018 (Action Item)**

NSBSD Strategic Plan

2.0 Qargi/Community Spirit: Fostering the reclamation and recovery of the responsibility each one of us has for living the Iñupiaq values and being accountable at the personal and community levels for “walking the talk,” embodying the Qargi spirit and commitment to education.

Issue Summary:

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.

Background:

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 Qiyana Alaska cultural performances, the renowned Native arts showcase, and an exhibit hall featuring AFN members and partners.

Motion:

“I move that the NSBSD Board of Education appoint available members to attend the virtual Elders & Youth Conference on October 17-20, 2021 and appoint _____ & _____ to attend and participate in the AFN Annual Convention on October 21-23, 2020 in Anchorage, Alaska.”

Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

Vote _____