



**NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
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TO: Nancy Rock, President
Members of the School Board

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THROUGH: Fadil Limani, Chief Financial Officer

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FROM: Tennessee D. Judkins, Coordinator of Iñupiaq Education

DATE: December 5, 2021

SUBJECT: **Contracts over \$10,000-Crane Story 2 Publication**
C. Rexford

Memo No: SB22-105
(Action Item)

NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:

1.0 ACADEMIC SUCCESS/WHOLE CHILD: All students will reach their intellectual potential and achieve academic success through integrating Iñupiaq knowledge systems into the core content areas and focusing on the development of the Whole Child.

1.4 IÑUPIAQ LANGUAGE & CULTURE: Implement language and culture programs to revitalize the Inupiaq language.

4.0 FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL STEWARDSHIP: Effectively employ our operational and financial resources to support our strategic goals and long-term stability of the district.

4.2 FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP/MANAGEMENT: Ensure financial management based on what is best for our students.

Issue Summary:

In accordance with applicable Board policy, contracts and MOA's \$10,000 or greater require Board approval.

Background:

In 2013, Crane Story 1 was written, edited, and published in collaboration with Catherine (Rexford) Noland and editor Jon Davis. Catherine (Rexford) Noland is a local North Slope author who has family and kinship ties to Kaktovik, AK. Crane Story 1 is a chapter book used in language arts and written for a young adult reader; it also has a unit developed for it for teacher to access for implementation in their classroom. The goal and objective was not only to work with local authors but also to create a language arts series of chapter books for our students to have access to. We would like to continue to work towards completing these goals and objectives and this is one step in the right direction.

Funding Source and Purchase/Contract Amount:

This contract would come out of the Iñupiaq Education Department Professional & Technical budget (Account Code: 100.200.120.000.410) in the amount of and not to exceed \$90,000.00.

Available Budget:

Budget Code 100.200.120.000.410 has an available budget of \$116,322 after the approval of SB22-104.

Length of Contract:

The contract will commence upon approval of the Board Memo and related MOA and term in November 30, 2022.

Grant Funding:

N/A

Compliance with BP 3311:

The District has worked with Catherine (Rexford) Noland over the years as a local North Slope Iñupiaq author and she has completed a previous book that was initially part of a language arts series which is titled Crane Story 1. This book would be the second part to that book in which students of the district would have access to use in the classroom once completed and published. Considering this has been an ongoing project for the Inupiat Education Department, it is in the best interest of the School District to continue utilizing the services of Catherine (Rexford) Noland for the writing and publication of the Crane Story 2. As such, this is a sole source contract and the Board of Education waives the bidding requirements as set out in BP3311.

Proposed Motion:

“I move that the NSBSD Board of Education approve the above \$10,000 and greater proposals and related contract with Catherine (Rexford) Nolan in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00, as described in this memo and related attachments.”

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Vote _____