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NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMORANDUM

TO:

Muriel Brower, President

Members of the School Board

THROUGH: Pauline Harvey, Superintendent

FROM:

Fadil Limani, CFO

DATE:

9-25-20

SUBJECT:

Resolution 21-0- District to support the State of Alaska Department of Education and

Early Development use of estimated student count data to fund K-12 public education

for fiscal year 2021.

Memo No: SB21-050

(Action Item)

2015-2020 STRATEGIC PLAN SUMMARY

- 4.0 FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL STEWARDSHIP: Effectively employ our operational and financial resources to support our strategic goals and long-term stability of the district.
- 4.1 FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP/MANAGEMENT: Ensure financial management based on what is best for our students.

Issue Summary/Background:

See attached Resolution 21-01 for details.

Proposed Motion:

"I move that the NSBSD Board of Education supports the State's use of estimated student count data, submitted November 2019, in determining the amount of state aid under the public education funding program for Fiscal Year 2021 as read under Resolution 21-01."

Moved by	Seconded by	
Vote		

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT RESOLUTION SERIAL NO. 21-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT TO SUPPORT THE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION USE OF ESTIMATED STUDENT COUNT DATA TO FUND K-12 PUBLIC EDUCATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021.

WHEREAS, the North Slope Borough School District (District) shall prepare and submit to the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) a student count estimate by November 5th for the succeeding fiscal year upon which computations can be made to estimate the amount of state aid for which the district may be eligible under AS 14.17.400; and

WHEREAS, student count estimates are used each year by the State of Alaska as the basis for state aid to school districts through the Foundation Program allocation; and;

WHEREAS, the State's operating budget (HB 205) was signed into law on May 18, 2020 with funding for the Foundation Program based on student count estimates; and

WHEREAS, school districts are required to submit their budget for each fiscal year to DEED by July 15th of the fiscal year; and;

WHEREAS, a final determination for state aid under the public school funding program is based on a 20-day student count period ending the fourth Friday in October; and

WHEREAS, in response to the global pandemic brought about by the coronavirus, the District is developing flexible plans that respond to various levels of community spread and allow teaching and learning to continue throughout the 2020-2021 school year under several learning models; and

WHEREAS, these plans call for a variety of learning models and options for families to consider, including providing students with assignments via email, computer/tablets, virtual courseware, virtual field trips, virtual projects, virtual guest speakers, video conferencing, paper packets, and the school district's website; and

WHEREAS, the District may experience a significant loss in revenue for any families choosing to enroll their children in correspondence study programs on a temporary basis; and

WHEREAS, this funding uncertainty complicates financial, budget and operating planning efforts and may limit the District's ability to provide essential services to its communities and their students surrounding the education program amid the pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

that the North Slope Borough School District supports the State's use of estimated student count data, submitted November 2019, in determining the amount of state aid under the public education funding program for Fiscal Year 2021..

INTRODUCED:ADOPTED:	<u>-</u>
	Muriel Brower, Board President Date:
ATTEST:	
Robyn Burke, Board Clerk Date:	- -
	Pauline Harvey, Superintendent Date: