



## NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Muriel Brower, President  
Members of the School Board

**THROUGH:** Board Finance Committee

**THROUGH:** Pauline Harvey, Superintendent

**FROM:** Fadil Limani, Chief Financial Officer

**DATE:** November 7, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Authorization of NSBSD Finance Committee to Collaborate with the NSB Budget Committee

**Memo No. SB21-076**  
(Action Item)

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#### **NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:**

2.0 Community Engagement: Foster collective responsibility, commitment and trust between the school and community.

2.1 Communication: Advance on-going 2-way communication, participation and interaction within the school and between the school and community, building the bridge of trust.

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. Ensure financial management based on what is best for our students.

4.4 Organizational Effectiveness: Structure the organization to operate with efficiency and better serve our students.

#### **NSBSD Policy Manual:**

The Board may appoint any of its members to serve on advisory committees or as its representative to other public agencies or organizations when the Board deems such appointments desirable, contingent on acceptance of the appointment by the member.

#### **Issue Summary:**

The NSBSD Board Finance Committee met on October 23, 2020 to discuss the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget planning among other needs of the District and determined to collaborate between the governing Borough's Budget committee to ensure transparency, accountability, and efficiency between organizations allowing for an improved relationship and financial stewardship of the Borough and the District.

With the State's continued Budget deficit and reduction in State Program Funding surrounding Education (i.e. suspension of the School Debt Reimbursement Program, forward funding, and reductions in other educational programs) amongst other legislation that may impact the Borough's operations, it is in the best interest of the District and the Borough to formulate a closer collaboration in an effort to streamline operations and maximize its financial resources to better meet the needs of the Borough and School District.

In addition, considering the level of funding provided to the District by the Borough, it will be beneficial to schedule quarterly meetings to discuss District needs and provide an overview of the operations and finances of the District.

**Proposed Motion:**

“I move that the NSBSD Board of Education authorize the Board’s Finance Committee to collaborate with the North Slope Borough Budget Committee on the development of the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget including scheduling quarterly meetings to discuss the operations and finances of the District.”

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: \_\_\_\_\_