

North Slope Borough School District Board of Education Archie K. Brower Conference Room, Central Office Utqiagvik, AK

Unapproved Minutes Special Meeting June 30, 2021 3:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER AND MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Qaiyaan Harcharek, Board President, called the Board of Education Special Meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. in the Archie K. Brower Conference Room in North Slope Borough School District Central Office and ZOOM Video Communications.

FLAG SALUTE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board of Education.

## **ROLL CALL:**

Nora Jane Burns – Present Madeline Hickman – Present Frieda Nageak– Present Robyn Burke- Present Caitlin Montague – Present Nancy Rock – Present Qaiyaan Harcharek - Present

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Nancy Rock MOVED to APPROVED the Agenda. Nora Jane Burns SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**: District staff and Community members were present.

**NSEAA MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT** is presented by Pauline Harvey, Superintendent. Under Strategic Plan Goal 4.0 Financial & Operational Stewardship, 4.2 Financial Stewardship, and in accordance with applicable Board Policy 3312, contracts and memorandum of agreements \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. Through legal review and consideration, the provided Memorandum of Agreement has been drafted for consideration of the Board of Education. With the District and North Slope Educational Administrators' Association (NSEAA) under the negotiated agreement, this NSEAA Memorandum of Agreement allows for an administrator to receive a variation of the Negotiated Agreement with regard to compensation, who due to a teacher vacancy, had to serve as a classroom teacher for at least seven hours a week for every week of a semester in addition to performing normal administrative duties. Any administrator who meets the requirements set out in the Memorandum of Agreement with the North Slope Educational Administrators' Association to receive additional compensation must submit a written request along with documentary proof and made, in good faith, effort to find a teacher to fill the vacant position. As such, the District and NSEAA acknowledge William Schildbach to receive such compensation. At this time, there is no other known Administrator who is eligible and meet the requirements set out in the Memorandum of Agreement. The identified funding source is derived from account code 100.440.400.000.313 in the amount of \$10,000 per semester. For Mr. Schildbach, the total for two semesters is \$20,000. This Memorandum of Agreement becomes effective immediately and shall continue in force and effect through June 30, 2021. As read into the record, the Memorandum of Agreement is as follows:

WHEREAS, the North Slope Borough School District ("NSBSD" or "District") and the North Slope Educational Administrators' Association ("NSEAA") are signatories to the Negotiated Agreement that continues in force and effect through June 30, 2021; and WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic made

hiring teachers very difficult for the District; and WHEREAS, due to the difficulties in hiring teachers, some NSBSD schools have had teacher vacancies for significant periods of time, WHEREAS, the teacher vacancies at certain schools may have caused an Administrator to teach one or more classes to ensure students continue to receive an education; and WHEREAS, NSBSD and NSEAA recognize the need to allow some variations in the terms of the Negotiated Agreement with regard to Administrator's compensation; NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed as follows: This MOA becomes effective immediately and shall continue in force and effect through June 30, 2021. This MOA shall apply to any Administrator who due to teacher vacancy at the Administrator's school served as a classroom teacher for at least seven (7) hours a week for every week of a semester in addition to performing the normal administrative duties of an Administrator. Any Administrator who meets the requirements outlined in Paragraph 2, shall receive the following additional compensation of \$10,000 per semester. The parties acknowledge that William Schildbach meets the requirements outlined in Paragraph 2. The District does not know if others also meet the requirements outlined in Paragraph 2. To be eligible the additional compensation, Administrators must submit a written request along with the documentary proof that they met the requirements in Paragraph 2. The request must also demonstrate that the Administrator made good faith effort to find a teacher to fill the vacant position. The District shall provide each Administrator with a copy of this MOA. This MOA shall create no precedent and will cease to have any effect after June 30, 2021.

Points of discussion regarded the collective bargaining unit on compensation; and previous duties covered by Principals prior to this memorandum of agreement.

Board members requested Administration provide documentation of work in class and demonstrate the efforts to recruit and fill the positions; and ensure Administration works with Principals to ensure these situations do not occur.

Robyn Burke MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the North Slope Educational Administrators' Association Memorandum of Agreement as presented in Memo Number SB21-192 and attachments. Madeline Hickman SECONDED the motion. Discussion called. Question called. The motion carried in a roll-call vote of five yes, two no.

Nora Jane Burns – Yes	Caitlin Mo
Madeline Hickman – Yes	Nancy Ro
Frieda Nageak– Yes	Qaiyaan H
Robyn Burke- No	-

Caitlin Montague – No Nancy Rock – Yes Qaiyaan Harcharek – Yes

**ADDED DUTY CONTRACT** is presented by Pauline Harvey, Superintendent. Under Strategic Plan Goal 3.0 Staff Success, 4.0 Financial & Operational Stewardship, 4.2 Financial Stewardship, 4.4 Organizational Effectiveness, and in accordance with applicable Board Policy 3312, contracts and MOA's \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. Additionally, in accordance with BP 4113, Assignment, and AR 4213, Acting in Capacity/Delegation of Authority, Administration approved Liz Noble, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, to act in capacity as Qargi Academy's Principal through an Added Duty Contract for the remainder of the term in the best interest of the students. The Added Duty Contract was for the period of January 6, 2021 - June 17, 2021. The identified funding source is derived from Qargi Academy's account code 400.200.351.000.313 in the amount of \$28,442.93. There are no grant funds associated with the respective added duty contract. The available budget is \$43,922.17. Complaince with Board Policy 3311 is not applicable as this is an employee contract.

Points of discussion include: Retroactive Board approval; Process of contract payment; and appreciation of Mrs. Noble for the added duties taken as Principal of Qargi Academy.

Robyn Burke MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the Added Duty Contract for Liz Noble as Qargi Academy Principal as presented in Memo Number SB21-183. Madeline Hickman SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

**TYPE M CERTIFICATION REQUEST** is presented by Pauline Harvey, Superintendent. Under Strategic Plan Goal 1.0 Student Success, and 2.0 Staff Recruitment & Retention, Administration is requesting that the members of the Board of Education approve a Type M teacher certification request for Timmothy Ferreira. This candidates' skills and qualifications based on work history, training, completed college credits/certifications and expertise in the Inupiaq language and/or culture merit the type M teacher certificate. The North Slope Borough School District has offered a contract to Timmothy Ferreira as the Iñupiaq Language Teacher at Fred Ipalook Elementary for the 2021 – 2022 school year. Prior Board approval is required by the Alaska Department of Education in addition to other specified requirements in order for teachers to be granted type M certificates.

Frieda Nageak MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the request for an ISSUANCE of a limited TYPE M CERTIFICATE for Timmothy Ferreira as presented in Memo Number SB21-182. Nora Jane Burns SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

**SUMMER CONTRACT ISSUANCE REPORT** is presented by Pauline Harvey, Superintendent. Under Strategic Plan Goal 2.0 Staff Recruitment & Retention, the Board of Education approved SB21-234, Summer Contract Issuance approval at the May 20, 2021 Regular Meeting to improve staff recruitment during the hiring season in the summer with a request to provide an update to the Board on positions hired through SB21-234. The list of new hires for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 are as follows: Michael Hundorf, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Alak School in Wainwright, AK; Mirabelle Blossom, 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Harold Kaveolook School in Kaktovik, AK; Timmothy Ferreira, Iñupiaq Language Teacher at Fred Ipalook Elementary School in Utqiaġvik, AK; Regina Bellereide, Assistant Principal at Fred Ipalook Elementary School in Utqiaġvik, AK; Karen Krechi, 2<sup>nd</sup> -3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher at Kali School in Point Lay, AK; Dianne Shirrel, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher at Kali School in Point Lay, AK; Anne Marquardt, English Language Arts/Social Studies Teacher at Meade River School in Atqasuk, AK; Carmen Russo, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade English Language Arts Teacher at Eben Hopson Middle School in Utqiaġvik, AK.

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT, APRIL 2021** is presented by Fadil Limani, Chief Financial Officer for the month ending April 30, 2021. Under SB21-185, the following items are reported: On page five, the General Fund revenues to date through April 30, 2021 are \$67,787,813 or eighty-eight percent of budget. This primarily reflects the revenues received to date of Borough Appropriation, Foundation Funding, E-Rate, and PERS/TERS on behalf payments, other local revenues, and Impact Aid; On page seven, the General Fund operating expenditures to date through April 30 2021 are \$50,402,018.01 or sixty-five percent of budget through eighty-three percent of the fiscal year. Instructional Support Year to Date expenditures represents ninety-three percent of budget followed by School Administration of seventy-eight percent of budget, Maintenance & Operations of seventy-six percent and School Admin Support Staff of seventy-four percent. The Operating Transfers will be recorded at the end of the fiscal year during the Annual Audit preparation; On page nine, Expenditures by function and location are demonstrated showing District Wide, Distance Delivery, Fred Ipalook Elementary School, Eben Hopson Middle School, Barrow High School, Tikigaq School, and Alak School with the highest allocation of resources and related actuals; On page fifteen, the Fund Balance, as of June 30, 2020 was \$19,494,508. This is a net increase of \$770,668 from Fiscal Year 2018-2019. Cash and Investments to date through April 30, 2021 are

\$36,897,048.60. This is a net decrease of \$3,604,445.40 or 8.9% from the previous month. The net decrease is mainly attributed to normal operations; On page nineteen, Special Revenue Funds revenues and expenditures are reported on the cash basis and have not been adjusted. The Special Revenue Funds are demonstrated here which includes: Community Schools, Food Service, RLC, Village Athletics Program, Qargi Academy, and Employee Housing. Encumbrances, as of April 30, 2021, for the General Fund are \$15,936,284. In addition, the Pre-Encumbrances for the same period are \$3,116,076.62. Total encumbrances and Pre-encumbrances for General Fund are \$19,052,360.62.

Points of discussion included questions regarding budget line transfers; definition of acting in capacity; and clarification of dues and fees.

Robyn Burke MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the Monthly Financial Report as of April 30, 2021. Madeline Hickman SECONDED the motion. Question called for UNANIMOUS CONSENT. No Objections. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

CONTRACT OVER 10K, SALIENT HEALTH SOLUTIONS, LLC is presented by Fadil Limani, Chief Financial Officer. Under Strategic Plan Goal 1.5 Multiple Pathways, 4.1 Facilities, 4.5 Technology, and in accordance with applicable Board Policy 3312, contracts and Memorandum of Agreements \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. The School District has applied for a grant funding opportunity with Rural Utilities Service (RUS) through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for the purpose of providing resources District wide to support distance learning. Rural Development grant funds will be used by the School District for a distance learning project connecting teachers and students at remote locations throughout the District. The School District will develop Project Ignite - Igniting a Passion for Learning through Distance Education. Through Project Ignite, the School District will increase access to virtual instruction, specifically science, technology, engineering, and mathematics ("STEM") courses, as well as career and technical education courses, including simulation. Additionally, videoconferencing technology will allow increased student and staff interactions, such as trainings, in-services, labs, etc., providing the school district's extremely rural villages access to additional education resources. Project Ignite also will allow the School District to implement two learning labs at rural sites. These labs will create and share real-time content, classes and activities. Moreover, these learning labs will allow the School District to create best practices around developing distance learning resources and delivering distance learning content. The Grant Award for such project is \$1,150,000 which includes \$150,500 of School District Match. The RUS Portion is \$999,500. In support of this goal, the District has been working with Kathleen Harrell through Salient Health Solutions LLC in providing grant writing services for the aforementioned Grant Application. The District has utilized the grant writing services of Salient Health previously with the initial RUS Grant and is very pleased with the work that was provided to the School District. The proposal is included for additional information. The term of this Agreement will commence on May 26, 2021 and shall have the duration of one (1) month terminating on June 25, 2021. The funding source and purchase/contract amount is under account code 100.200.550.000.410 in the amount of \$10,000. The Available budget for account code 100.200.550.000.410 is \$398,259.24. This does not require a budget line transfer and there are no grant funds associated with the funding of the identified contracts. Compliance with Board Policy 3311 is not applicable as the dollar amount of the contract is less than \$20,000.

Points of discussion regarded: contract term and approval process; accountability of project; and accountability of development of project Ignite within schools.

Madeline Hickman MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the above \$10,000 and greater proposal and related contract with Salient Health Solutions LLC in an amount NOT TO EXCEED

\$10,000 as described in this memo and related attachments. Nancy Rock SECONDED the motion. Question called for UNANIMOUS CONSENT. No Objections. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 HOUSING LEASES is presented by Fadil Limani, Chief Financial Officer. Under Strategic Plan Goal 4.0 Financial & Operational Stewardship, 4.1 Financial Stewardship/Management, and in accordance with applicable Board policy 3312, contracts and MOA's \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. The Board of Education through the Finance Committee has requested that lease renewals go before the Board for review and consideration. The District is in need of housing units in order to provide housing for the Teaching staff. The identified leases subject for renewal are as follows: Atgasuk Corporation Lessor for 5002 A & B Shugluk St. in Atgasuk, Alaska for a two bedroom/ one bath, and two bedroom/one bath for a monthly rate of \$3000, yearly rate of \$36,000 for a one year lease; Usanee Nye Lessor for 1411 Nachig St in Utgiagyik, Alaska for a four bedroom/1.5 bath for a monthly rate of \$2,300, yearly rate of \$27,600 for a one year lease; Sharon Brower Lessor for 2061 1&2 Ahkovak St. in Utgiagvik, Alaska for a two bedroom/one bath, and two bedroom/one bath for a monthly rate of \$3600, yearly rate of \$43,200 for a one year lease; Joni Edwardsen Lessor for 352 Ogrook St. in Utgiagvik, Alaska for a three bedroom/one bath for a monthly rate of \$1800, yearly rate of \$21,600 for a one year lease; William Thomas Lessor for 6284 Karluk St. in Utqiagvik, Alaska for a three bedroom/1.5 bath for a monthly rate of \$2,100, yearly rate of \$21,600 for a one year lease; Donna & Glenn Cogburn Lessor for 717 A, B, C Nachig St. in Utgiagvik, Alaska for a 1 Bedroom/1 Bath, 2 Bedroom/1.5 Bath, 1 Bedroom/1Bath for a monthly rate of \$6,000, yearly rate of \$72,000 for a one year lease; and Sandi Semaken Lessor for 925 Hula Hula St. in Kaktovik, Alaska for a three bedroom/1 bath for a monthly rate of \$1850, yearly rate of \$22,200 for a one year lease. The total monthly amount for these units is \$22,450 and total yearly amount of \$269,400. The length of the identified leases for renewal are for one year and shall commence on July 1, 2021 and term June 30, 2022. The identified funding source is derived from the Teacher Housing Special Revenue Fund for FY22. The total annual cost of the aforementioned leases is \$269,400. The Account Codes are as follows: 600.300.600.000.441 -Rentals-\$211,200.00; 600.480.600.000.441 -Rentals-\$22,200.00; and 600.490.600.000.441 -Rentals-\$36,000.00. There are no Grant Funds associated with the respective lease renewals. The total available budget for the identified account codes as referenced is above is as follows: 600.300.600.000.441 -Rentals-\$880,972.00; 600.480.600.000.441 -Rentals-\$65,000.00; and 600.490.600.000.441 -Rentals-\$22,400.00 After BLT \$36,000.00. The Budget Line Transfer worksheet is available for further details. In compliance with BP 3311, Maintenance and Operations asked the NSBSD Communications Specialist to post Request for Proposal (RFP) for the procurement of Teacher Housing units on April 5, 2021. We requested that Facebook, GCI, NSBSD website & KBRW be used to disseminate the information. The deadline to submit proposals was April 16, 2021. All responses were submitted to Maintenance & Operations, opened on April 19, 2021. Housing inspections were conducted by the Director, Coordinator and Housing Plant Manager in the weeks that followed. For the villages, Plant Managers for Atgasuk and Kaktovik were requested to conduct the inspections and were the ones to provide recommendations to the Director of M&O. Each unit was considered based on cost, habitable condition and physical condition. We believe it would be in the best interest of the District to lease the above mentioned properties due to the reasonable prices, condition, locations and qualified bidders.

Points of discussion regarded: documentation of repairs and determination of minor and major repairs; overall amount spent; rent and utility comparison and information of the collective bargaining unit; housing market prices and future opportunities; potential for district owned housing; length of leases;

Board member Frieda Nageak requested information regarding the total amount of housing units.

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Nancy Rock MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the above \$10,000 and greater Housing Leases, as described in this memo and related attachments. Madeline Hickman SECONDED the motion. Discussion called. Question called for UNANIMOUS CONSENT. No Objections. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 PREPAID PURCHASES is presented by Fadil Limani, Chief Financial Officer. Under Strategic Plan Goal 4.0 Financial & Operational Stewardship, 4.2 Financial Stewardship/Management, and in accordance with applicable Board policy 3312, contracts and Memorandum of Agreements \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. As prescribed in Board Policy 3300 and 3310, the Superintendent of designee may issue and sign purchase orders for supplies, materials and equipment in accordance with law. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall not authorize any proposed expenditure that exceeds the major budget classification allowance against which the expenditure is the proper charge unless an amount sufficient to cover the purchase is available in the budget for transfer. The Prepaid Purchases are available for additional information. The purchases consisted of: Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Housing Lease Payments; Site's Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Freeze/Chill Food; NSBSD Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Insurance Coverage; MacBook Air Operating Leases of 4 of 5; Fiscal Year 2021-2022 District-Wide Custodial Supplies; Lumber/Construction/Housing appliances and Paints; Hazmat materials; Housing appliances; Glycol; Doors/Windows/Plywood; Paints/metal rope/tiles/Plywoods; Tools and parts; Water Jetter and De-Icer; Parts and materials restock; ACCU Tabs for Pool; Restock Supplies for sites; Boiler & Pump; Welding Supplies; Automotive Restock; Tires; Automotive Fluids; Calcium Chloride; Glycol and Insulation; and a Plate Compactor.

Robyn Burke MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Prepaid Purchases in the amount of \$5,233,188.15 with the various vendors as described in this memo and attached Prepaid Purchase Summary and related supporting documents. Frieda Nageak SECONDED the motion. Question called for UNANIMOUS CONSENT. No Objections. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

PURCHASES OVER 10K, INFORMATIONAL is presented by Fadil Limani, Chief Financial Officer. Under Strategic Plan Goal 4.0 Financial & Operational Stewardship, 4.2 Financial Stewardship/Management, and in accordance with applicable Board policy 3312, contracts and MOA's \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. As prescribed in Board Policy 3300 and 3310, the Superintendent of designee may issue and sign purchase orders for supplies, materials and equipment in accordance with law. In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall not authorize any proposed expenditure that exceeds the major budget classification allowance against which the expenditure is the proper charge unless an amount sufficient to cover the purchase is available in the budget for transfer. The Purchases Over 10,000 is as follows: Item One includes the purchase of Mobile carts for twenty Optoma from the Chariot Group in the amount of \$12,965.00 under account code 260.200.100.000.450. There is an available budget of \$43,000, which does not require a budget line transfer and is grant funding through Title IA and is not applicable for Board Policy 3311. Item Two includes the purchase of Books for Cultural Based Units and ILTs from Barnes and Noble in the amount of \$19,384.62 under account code 366.200.120.000.450. The available budget is \$115,000, which does not require a budget line transfer, is grant funded under ANEP, and is not applicable for Board Policy 3311; Item Three includes the purchase of the Infinite Visions Annual Fee from Tyler Technology in the amount of \$15,754.20 under account code 100.200.550.000.440. The available budget is \$2,783.65 requiring a budget line transfer of \$15,754.20, is not grant funded, and is not applicable for Board policy 3311; Item Four includes the purchase of Computers for Anaktuvuk Pass E-games from SHI in the amount of \$14,842.52 under account code 450.430.700.000.450. The available budget is \$83,456.55 which does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as National IPA for the Village Athletics Program; Item Five includes the purchase of Computers for Point Hope E-Games from SHI in the amount of \$14,078.40 under account code 450.440.700.000.450. The available budget is \$56,153.47 which does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as National IPA for the Village Athletics Program; Item 6 includes the purchase of Computers for Nuigsut E-Games from SHI in the amount of \$14,078.40 under account code with an available budget of \$83,792.92. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as National IPA for the Village Athletics Program; Item Seven includes the purchase of Computers for Point Lay E-Games from SHI in the amount of \$14,078.40 under account code 450.460.700.000.450 with an available budget of \$77,149.63\$. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as National IPA for the Village Athletics Program; Item Eight includes the purchase of Computers for Wainwright E-Games from SHI in the amount of \$14,078.40\$ under account code 450.470.700.000.450 with an available budget of \$48,434.37. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as National IPA for the Village Athletics Program; Item Nine includes the purchase of Computers for Kaktovik from SHI in the amount of \$14,078.40 under account code 450.480.700.000.450 with an available budget of \$85,073.02. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as National IPA for the Village Athletics Program; Item ten, includes the purchase of Computers for Atgasuk E-Games in the amount of \$14,078.40 under account code 450.490.700.000.450 with an available budget of \$32,061.40. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as National IPA for the Village Athletics Program; Item Eleven includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Nunamiut School from Quality Sales Food in the amount of \$38,057.38 under account code 255.430.790.000.459 with an available budget of \$ 43,010.60. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as three bids were received for the purchase; Item Twelve includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Nunamiut School from Quality Sales Food in the amount of \$10,303.20 under account code 255.430.790.000.460 with an available budget of \$10,569.38. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as three bids were received for the purchase; Item Thirteen includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Point Hope from US Foods in the amount of \$32,031.45 under account code 255.440.790.000.459 with an available budget of \$53,747.51. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as it is National IPA; Item Fourteen includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Point Hope from US Foods in the amount of \$8,144.58 under account code 255.440.790.000.460 with an available budget of \$12,297.42\$. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as it is under National IPA; Item Fifteen includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Harold Kaveolook School from US Foods in the amount of \$38,480.72 under account code 255.480.790.000.459 with an available budget of \$50,624.86. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as it is under National IPA; Item Sixteen includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Harold Kaveolook School from US Foods in the amount of \$ 7,485.30 under account code 255.480.790.000.460 with an available budget of \$7,928.37. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as it is under National IPA; ITEM SEVENTEEN includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Atgasuk from Quality Sales Food in the amount of \$39,543.96 under account code 255.490.790.000.459 with an available budget of \$49,645.19. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as three bids were received; Item Eighteen includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Atgasuk from Quality Sales Food in the amount of \$17,766.92 under account code 255.490.790.000.460 with an available budget of \$18,321.45. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as three bids were received; Item Nineteen includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Alak

School from US Foods in the amount of \$39,624.41 under account code 255.470.790.000.459 with an available budget of \$61,517.12. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as it is under National IPA; Item Twenty includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Alak School from US Foods in the amount of \$7,354.20 under account code 255.470.790.000.460 with an available budget of \$7,386.60. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as it is under National IPA; Item Twenty-One includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Utgiagvik Schools from US Foods in the amount of \$132,863.55 under account code 255.300.790.000.459 with an available budget of \$171,818.16. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as it is under National IPA; Item Twenty-Two includes the purchase of Dry Goods for Utgiagvik Schools from US Foods in the amount of \$30,614.70 under account code 255.300.790.000.460 with an available budget of \$40,604.52. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as it is under National IPA. Item Twenty-Three includes the purchase of a Copier for Point Hope from Boynton Office Systems in the amount of \$12,535.29 under account code 100.200.355.000.510 with an available budget of 102,789.52. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as it is a NAPSO Contract. Item Twenty-Three includes the purchase of Grammar 1, Grammar 2, & Old Abridged Disctionary in Inupiaq from Alaska Native Language in the amount of \$16,260.00 under account code 366.200.120.000.450 with an available budget of \$115,000.00. This does not require a budget line transfer, is grant funded through ANEP, and is not applicable for Board Policy 3311; Item Twenty-Four includes the purchase of Lumber for Outdoor Basketball Court for Katkovik from IMPAC in the amount of \$39,931.17 under account code 450.480.700.000.450 with an available budget of \$86,417.56. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 demonstrating a competitive quote included as additional information and purchase for the Village Athletics Program; Item Twenty-Five includes the purchase of Lumber for Outdoor Basketball Court in Kaktovik from AML in the amount of \$28,072.87 under account code 450.480.700.000.450 with an available budget of \$86,417.56. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 demonstrating a competitive quote included as additional information and purchased for the Village Athletics Program; Item Twenty-Six includes the purchase of Gym Equipments for Tikigaq School from Precore Home Fitness in the amount of \$17,885.76 under account code 450.440.700.000.450 with an available budget of \$55,634.07. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is not applicable for compliance with Board Policy 3311; Item Twenty-Seven includes the purchase of SNAP-ON Tool Kit for Maintenance from SNAP-On Industrial in the amount of \$20,890.91 under account code 100.200.600.000.510 with an available budget of \$28,519.32. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 utlizing a NAPSO Contract; and Item Twenty-Eight includes the purchase of Bridge Data Solutions Server Equipment for Information Technology from Bridge Data Solutions in the amount of \$37,880.14 under account code 100.200.355.000.510 with an available budget of \$55,254.23. This does not require a budget line transfer, is not grant funded, and is compliant with Board Policy 3311 as two bids were received.

Points of Discussion regarded: Toolkits for staff; and additional information on E-Games.

Board member Qaiyaan Harcharek requested administration look into changing the requirement of the District funding other team participation on-slope.

**BOARD CALENDAR OF EVENTS** is presented by Chelsie Overby, Board Secretary. Under Strategic Plan Goal 2.0 Community Engagement, 2.1 Communication, 4.0 Financial & Operational Stewardship, the Board The Board shall adopt a yearly calendar specifying the date, time, and place of each regular

meeting. Each month, the Board holds a work session at 9:00 am and a regular meeting at 1:00pm unless otherwise stated once posted and notified. Meetings of the Board are conducted for the purpose of accomplishing district business. A meeting of the Board shall consist of any gathering of the members of the Board when more than three members of the Board, or a majority of the members, whichever is less, are present and collectively consider a matter upon which the Board is empowered to act. The regular meetings are usually held the first Thursday after the North Slope Borough Assembly meeting held on the first Tuesday; however, there are occasionally scheduling conflicts and the recommendations for these date changes are noted below. On the calendar, the following dates, in sequential order, have a scheduling conflict and a recommended date change: October - This month includes the elections that requires the Board to reorganize within seven (7) days after the certification of elections results. The committee is normally held the second Tuesday in the month. The recommendation is to hold the regular meeting as planned on October 7, 2021 and hold a special meeting within the seven (7) business day time frame of the second Tuesday on October 20, 2021 between the Elders & Youth Conference and NIEA Annual Convention the appointed Board members travels to annually; November - Every year, the Board of Education budgets for all Board members to attend the AASB Annual Conference that will be held on November 4-7, 2021. This normally conflicts with the regular meeting held on the first Thursday. The recommendation is to hold the meeting on November 10, 2021 to allow for: travel home/to Utgiagvik; Observation of Inuit Day (November 7, 2021) for staff and the AASB Board of Directors meeting on November 8 in case a member on our Board is selected. This meeting may also be held on November 9 or 11, however, members may still be traveling and/or it may not be as cost effective should members attend the meeting in-person; December – The Association of Alaska School Boards is holding their Winter Boardsmanship Academy on December 10-11, 2021 for professional development for Board members as recommended in Board Policy conflicting with the first Thursday, after the first Tuesday. The recommendation is to hold the meeting on December 3, 2021. While the meeting is held prior to the North Slope Borough Assembly meeting, it is held after the Ilisagvik College's meeting on December 1-2, 2021 to be cost effective and time efficient for our members involved in the meeting; March - This is a suggested month for the Board of Education to host their regular meeting in a village. The recommendation is, depending on the village, hold a work session a day or two before traveling for the regular meeting in a village and have time available to visit the community; or hold it all in one day and extend travel for an extra day in the village

Robyn Burke MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPROVE the 2021-2022 Board Calendar of Events as described in memo Number SB21-189 and attachments. Madeline Hickman SECONDED the motion. Question called for UNANIMOUS CONSENT. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

ASSOCIATION OF ALASKA SCHOOL BOARDS FALL BOARDSMANSHIP ACADEMY, SEPTEMBER 17-19, 2021 is presented by Chelsie Overby, Board Secretary. Under Board Bylaw 9240, Board Development, Board members need to participate in professional development activities that help them understand their responsibilities, stay abreast of new developments in education, and learn new ways to cope effectively with the problems they confront. The Association of Alaska School Boards Fall Boardsmanship Academy will be held at the Lakefront Hotel in Anchorage, AK on September 18-19, 2021 with a pre-academy day on September 17, 2021. The pre-academy will be focused on School Board & Superintendent Relations with John Sedor and Timi Tullis. For September 18-19, the program will include sessions on: Lessons learned from COVID-19; DEED 2021-2022 School Year with Karen Melin, Deputy Commissioner; Special Education Services for Alaska School Districts; Partnering with Families: Family Engagement Now with Lisa Worl & Claudia Plesa (AASB); Mental Health Supports for Students with AK DHSS; Counselors with Maria Reidel (Alaska Counselors Association); Your Role in Personnel Matters with Tiffany Jackson and Timi Tullis (AASB); Your Role in Policy with Tiffany Jackson and

Timi Tullis (AASB); and Trust & Teamwork on Your Board In-Person. The Board may appoint members to take part in the Fall Boardsmanship Academy and its pre-academy. Financially, the District budgets each year for two Board Members to participate in two Alaska Association of School Boards' (AASB) Boardsmanship Academies held in the fall and winter. Additional members were appointed in 2020 due to the event being held virtually. The following Board Members have been appointed previously to attend the AASB Boardsmanship Academy in the fall and winter, however, attendance to events may vary: 2020 Winter Representatives – Qaiyaan Harcharek, Frieda Nageak, Robyn Burke, Madeline Hickman, Nancy Rock, & Muriel Brower; 2020 Fall Representatives – Qaiyaan Harcharek, Nora Jane Burns, Robyn Burke, Madeline Hickman, & Nancy Rock; 2019 Winter Board Representatives – Nancy Rock & Madeline Hickman; 2019 Fall Board Representatives – Qaiyaan Harcharek & Roxanne Brower

Caitlin Montague MOVED that the NSBSD Board of Education APPOINT two members to be determined to participate in the Associations of Alaska School Boards Pre-Academy on September 17, 2021 and Fall Boardsmanship Academy on September 18-19, 2021. Frieda Nageak SECONDED the motion. Question called for UNANIMOUS CONSENT. No Objections. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

**INFORMATIONAL, KINDERGARTEN PILOT** is presented by Pauline Harvey, Superintendent. Under Strategic Plan Goal 1.0 Student Success, 1.1 Early Childhood Success, the Assistant Superintendent recommended the following: School Year 21-22 will include North Slope Borough Schools that are able to support a Full-Day Kindergarten with specific focus on staff and budget. Currently all NSBSD K-12 sites provide a half-day kindergarten. The percentage of students who attend a full day of kindergarten has grown dramatically from just ten percent of students in the classroom for a full day in the 1970's. By 2016, that number had grown to over eighty percent. Studies have shown the early years in education are critical. Education Week reported on a study by the American Education Research Association which found that students who are not reading proficiently by third grade are four times less like to graduate high school by age 19. While having children in all-day kindergarten is clearly more convenient, is it actually the best thing for them? Results are mixed. A study from Duke University found that whatever benefits gained by students attending full-day kindergarten disappeared by 3rd grade. Other studies, including one from the University of Virginia, indicate sizable learning advantages for students who attend full-day kindergarten. A child's background is also crucial in determining their particular need for kindergarten. "For children who grow up with less exposure to a rich language environment and or have early language deprivation, a full day of kindergarten is helpful," says Dr. Horowitz. He adds that such language skills are hard to remediate. If done earlier, chances for success improve. A study by Colorado State University shows that full-day students perform significantly higher on achievement assessments than their half-day peers, even when controlling for initial abilities (Wolgemuth et al., 2006). However, the same study shows that the advantage quickly disappears. Under Board Policy 6112, School Day, Pursuant to AS 14.03.040, the school board may approve Saturday as a day in session. The School Board shall fix the length of the school day subject to the provisions of law. The school day shall be arranged and scheduled by the administration so as to offer the greatest return educationally for the time spent, within the limitations of school facilities and requirements of state law and regulations. The minimum day for students is defined in state law as follows: Grades K-3 - four hours of instructional time; lunch and recess not included in the four hours; and Grades 4-12 - five hours of instructional time; lunch and recess not included in the five hours.

Points of discussion regarded: determination of pilot success through collected data; funding; Data collecting avenues such as AIMSweb and STAR; and Involvement of Village sites for participating schools.

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Board member Nora Jane Burns requested administration poll the parents regarding full day kindergarten pilot.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION at 5:12 PM - 6:33 PM.

Robyn Burke MOVED to go into EXECUTIVE SESSION for the purposes of attorney/client communication; including giving direction to the District's attorney at 5:12PM. Caitlin Montague SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried under Majority Consent, with one nay.

Robyn Burke MOVED to go out of EXECUTIVE SESSION at 6:33 PM. Nora Jane SECONDED the motion. Question called. The motion carried UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No comments heard at this time.

SCHOOL BOARD COMMENTS: No comments were heard at this time.

**DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING**: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 Regular Meeting, Utqiagvik, AK and ZOOM Video Communications.

ADJOURNED AT 6:40 P.M. Robyn Burke MOVED to adjourn. The meeting stands adjourned.

Respectfully submitted for the August 10, 2021 Regular Meeting:

Board Secretary

**Board President** 

Board Clerk

Date