

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Robyn Burke, President

Members of the School Board

THROUGH: David Vadiveloo, Chief School Administrator/Superintendent

FROM: Steve Cropsey, Director of Maintenance & Operations

DATE: October 3, 2023

SUBJECT: Donation Acceptance - Memo No. SB24-044

Meade River School Playground Equipment Funding (Action Item)

NSBSD Policy Manual:

BP 3290, Gifts, Grants and Bequests: The School Board greatly appreciates the support of community members and may accept suitable donations on behalf of the district. To be acceptable, a gift, grant or bequest should satisfy the following criteria:

- 1. Not begin a program that the Broad would be unwilling to continue when the donated funds are exhausted;
- 2. Not entail undesirable or hidden costs, such as additional staff workload;
- 3. Place no restrictions on the school program;
- 4. Not be inappropriate or harmful to the best education of students;
- 5. Not imply endorsement of any business or product;
- 6. Not conflict with any provision of the board policy or public law;
- 7. Have a purpose consistent with those of the district.

Issue Summary:

The Native Village of Atqasuk (NVA), through the City of Atqasuk and its grant funding from the North Slope Borough Economic Impact Assistance Program, has determined to direct \$140,000 to the District for the purchase of new playground equipment and shipping costs.

The total estimated cost for the purchase of new equipment, shipping cost, and construction is \$300,000. As it is and has been the #1 project on the City of Atqasuk's Six-Year plan supported by the community, the remaining balance will be provided utilizing capital funds for NSBSD projects titled District-wide Facility Upgrades through the North Slope Borough Capital Improvement Project Management.

Background:

The Native Village of Atqasuk (NVA) expressed intent, through Tribal Sovereignty, to establish a community playground located on the same site as the existing playground on a parcel of land on which Meade River School operates. The City of Atqasuk successfully submitted a grant application through the North Slope Borough Economic Impact Assistance Program with the expressed intent of supporting the Native Village of Atqasuk Community Playground request with a contribution of \$140,000. The NVA is in turn donating the \$140,000 to the NSBSD for the express purpose of acquiring and paying for the freight of playground equipment. Included for review is Resolution No. 2023-03 A Resolution of the Atqasuk, Alaska City of Council Authorizing the Reallocation of native Village of Atqasuk Community Playground Funds.



Existing Meade River School Playground Equipment over 20 years old is to be removed. New equipment will be placed on the same site.



Proposed Motion:

"I move that the NSBSD Board of Education approve the donation from the Native Village of Atqasuk, through the City of Atqasuk, where the district will receive an amount not to exceed \$140,000 for the purchase of new playground equipment, including shipping costs, for Meade River School as described in this memo and related attachments."

Moved by:	Seconded by:
Advisory Vote:	Vote:

Signature: DS Vadiveloo
DS Vadiveloo (Oct 7, 2023 12:30 AKDT)

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Signature: Steve Cropsey (Oct 6, 2023 19:28 AKDT)

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