Administrator's Report- Month of February/March 2021

Business Office- Fadil Limani, CFO

The Business Office continues to work in a variety of projects and is pleased to provide the following:

- The monthly financial report was completed and sent to the North Slope Borough on Saturday, March 6, 2021 for the month ending January 31, 2021.
- Continue to work on the FY22 Budget Development Process
  - o North Slope Borough Budget Hearings are scheduled for March 23-25, 2021
  - In the process of finalizing the District's presentation for the Borough Assembly Budget Hearings
- We worked with M&O in formulating the CIP needs list with resources already available within CIP Project Funds. Approx. \$9 million
  - o PRC Requests for the upcoming CIP Ordinance 2021-10
    - District Wide Infrastructure Improvements \$8.3 million
    - BHS Renovation \$8 million
- Continue to monitor the Legislative session on a daily basis and assess any underlying bills that are being introduced and their impacts to the School District.
  - o Meeting with Representative Patkotak and Senator Olsen
    - There are several bills we are currently monitoring
      - SB19-Pertaining to Special Education
      - SB32-Tribal College
      - SB 8-Reading Bill
      - SB 56-Emergency Declaration Bill
      - Capital Budget
  - o ACSA Legislative Fly in February 23-24
  - We have provided the MOA to the NSB for the External Lobbying Affairs for their Approval
- We are working with the IT Department and SERC on the E-Rate Proposal for FY22
  - We have put the RFP out for the E-Rate for the FY22 Considering the current contract expires this year.
  - We responded to some of the questions on the RFP from few of the carriers.
  - o We have received all of the Bids as the deadline was March 11, 2021
  - We will be evaluating the bids next week and we will likely call for a special meeting thereafter to have the BOE approve the successful bidder.
- Continuing to work on the E-Rate Appeal with Gina Spade

- Earlier this month Gina and Fadil met with Dave Nielsen to discuss the evaluation that was done by David 3 years ago and provide any insight in his recollection of the E-Rate Contract Evaluation
- o Gina has drafted the FCC waiver and the deadline for submission is March 15
  - Currently in the process of reviewing the draft and working with IT on the Declaration and Affidavit in order to submit by March 15.
- We are continuing to work with Arctic Slope Community Foundation on a mini-grant to provide funding for supplies for all of the schools during the pandemic.
- Met with ASNA and ASDN and were able to establish a plan forward for the ANEP Grant and the rollover funding.
- We are continuing to work with HR to get the Grants Administrator position filled. We have had little to no interest in the position and will extend our recruitment efforts.
- We have assembled the committee for the comptroller position and HR has been scheduling the interviews with the candidates. Thus far we have interviewed two candidates and have few more to interview.
- We had our Trilateral Meeting on February 23 with the Borough Assembly, Administration and Directors and the Ilisagvik. This was a good meeting and a lot of ideas were brought to the table in collaborating with the three entities and formulating few immediate MOA's (Internet and Broadband MOA, M&O shared services M&O, CTE MOA with the Ilisagvik.
- We prepared a response to the NSB Letter surrounding the FY20 Fund Balance.
- Student Activities meeting with the Village AD's and the Principals and going over the Basketball Tournament in Point Hope. The committee upheld their position from January to not have the 1A schools participate in any competitive sporting activities for the remainder of the school year and do alternative activities within each community.
- Due to the cold weather, we had several emergency repairs to work on with several of the villages including Barrow. Worked closely with M&O providing all of the support we can.
- Participated in the Open Houses for all of the Barrow Schools and continue to participate in the SAC and COVID meetings with various schools.
- Day to day operations of the Business office and continue providing support to all the other Departments within the District.
- Weekly Staff Meeting's with the Business Office Staff