



**NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
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TO: Nancy Rock, President
Members of the School Board

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FROM: Everett Haimes, Director of Informational Technology

DATE: October 30, 2021

SUBJECT: Contracts over \$10,000 – PowerSchool Enrollment

Memo No: SB22-085

(Action Item)

2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN SUMMARY

1.0 STUDENT SUCCESS: All students will reach their intellectual potential and achieve academic success through integrating Inupiaq knowledge systems into the core content areas and focusing on the development of the Whole Child.

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 FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP/MANAGEMENT: Ensure financial management based on what is best for our students.

4.5 TECHNOLOGY: Leverage technology as a tool to facilitate learning, communication and collaboration.

Issue Summary:

In accordance with applicable Board policy, contracts and MOA’s \$10,000 or greater require Board approval. (BP 3312)

Background:

The School District has partnered with PowerSchool since 2008 and it plays a major role in our District as the sole Student Information System. PowerSchool is customized to meet the needs of the School District from enrollment to graduation. PowerSchool saves paper, time, and human resources by providing intuitive digital tools for registration, compliance, and the end-to-end organizing of student information and related student records. Student enrollment, which is a critical function a Student Information System, has yet to be incorporated into the existing PowerSchool system. In consideration of the School Board’s request for electronic access, and to expedite the student enrollment process, the PowerSchool “Enrollment Express” subscription module is being purchased for implementation.

The Curriculum & Instruction department has already evaluated the resources available to District families utilizing PowerSchool Enrollment Express, and PowerSchool is prepared to provide project planning, communication, execution, and consultation for the initial term of this contract. The Curriculum & Instruction department presently is gathering required information for the configuration, standardization, training, and monitoring for the District’s implementation and ongoing use of the software.

Funding Source and Contract Amount:

The respective software subscription renewal is funded through the Information Technology Other Purchases Services Account Code 100.200.355.000.440 in the amount of \$20,602.50.

Available Budget:

Budget Code 100.200.355.000.440 has an available budget of \$ 284,615.03.

Length of Contract:

The associated subscription is for a one-year term, ending September 5, 2022.

Grant Funds:

There are no grant funds associated with the funding of the attached contracts.

Compliance with BP 3311.

PowerSchool is the leading provider of cloud-based software for K-12 education in North America. Its mission is to power the education ecosystem with unified technology that helps educators and students realize their full potential, in their way. PowerSchool, widely recognized as the most comprehensive suite of mission-critical K-12 education solutions, connects students, teachers, administrators, and parents, with the shared goal of improving student learning outcomes. From the front office to the classroom to the home, it helps schools and districts efficiently manage instruction, learning, grading, attendance, assessment, analytics, state reporting, special education, student registration, talent, finance, and human resources. PowerSchool supports over 45 million students and 12,000+ districts, schools, and other education institutions in over 90 countries. As a direct provider of licensing and hosting services, third-party providers are unable to provide competitive terms for this service, and considering this, the District is requesting a direct sole source contract.

Proposed Motion:

“I move that the NSBSD Board of Education approve the above \$10,000 and greater proposal and related contract with Power School Group LLC in an amount not to exceed \$20,602.50, as described in this memo and related attachments.”

Moved by _____ Seconded by _____

Vote _____