

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMORANDUM

TO: Nancy Rock, President

Members of the School Board

THROUGH: Rich Carlson, Interim Superintendent

FROM: Fadil Limani, Chief Financial Office

DATE: February 25, 2022

SUBJECT: Contracts over \$10,000-Dual Credit Recovery-Ilisagvik Memo No: SB22-138

(Action Item)

2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN SUMMARY

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

- **1.4 MULTIPLE PATHWAYS:** Implement career learning and alternative programs expanding educational opportunities that connect students to careers and providing multiple pathways to graduation based on student needs and interests.
- **1.6 PLACE-BASED LEARNING:** Implement place-based units across academic subjects including life-skills, connection to the land and experiential learning in the field.
- **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.

Issue Summary:

In accordance with applicable Board policy, contracts and MOA's \$10,000 or greater require Board approval.

Background:

The North Slope Borough School District collaborates with Ilisagvik College to support Dual Credit for students. Dual Credit Program is designed for high school juniors and seniors who want to get a jump on their college careers. As part of the agreement, the North Slope Borough School District and Ilisagvik College agree to cooperate in following areas:

- courses offered for both high school and college credit
- sharing of facilities and instructors
- sharing testing resources
- shared calendar and schedule

Tuition for courses designated "Internal Dual Credit," conducted or facilitated by North Slope Borough School District staff during the contractual day, will be waived. Any other fees will be mutually agreed upon on a per course basis. Tuition, registration fee, applicable course fees, and cost of materials for courses designated "External Dual Credit" will be equally absorbed by both parties.

Total costs incurred for all dual credit instruction will be shared equally by both parties (course and/or supplies fees not to exceed \$500 per student per course w/exception of HEO 104 @\$750 course fee). Ilisagvik College will inform the North Slope Borough School District of the number of "External Dual Credit" students with associated cost no later than College's official drop date (three weeks after the start of the semester). North Slope Borough School District teachers hired as adjunct professors to teach offerings outside of the North Slope Borough School District contractual day will be paid by Ilisagvik College.

During the 2020-2021 school year, the MOA was not put before the board for approval and consideration by then Assistant Superintendent. Although there was no formal MOA in place, Ilisagvik College continued to work in good faith in providing the dual credit courses for the enrolled high school juniors and seniors. The School District's proportionate share of the cost for the 2020-2021 school year was in the amount of \$24,188.74.

Funding Source and Purchase/Contract Amount:

The payment for the outstanding invoices would be funded out of the Career and Technical Education Budget under Professional & Technical budget (Account Code: 379.200.160.000.410) in the amount of not to exceed \$24,188.74.

Available Budget:

Budget Code 379.200.160.000.410 has an available budget of \$263,842.00

Length of Contract:

The outstanding invoices is for the program cost for the 2020-2021 school year.

Grant Funding:

N/A

Compliance with BP 3311:

This is a sole source contract as Ilisagvik College is the only accredited tribal college in the North Slope and other options may not be feasible and will result in additional cost to the School District. As such, this is in the best financial interest of the School District to enter into a sole source arrangement with Ilisagvik College.

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