KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA STATEMENT

No. 11 b.

MEETING OF June 23, 2021 Reviewed By

Item Title:

NEW BUSINESS [X] Superintendent

Motion to approve the purchase of the new science tables for Schoenbar Middle School

[X] Finance

SUBMITTED BY Katie Parrott, Business Manager

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SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The Board is being asked to approve the purchase of new science tables for Schoenbar Middle School.

ISSUE:

Board Policy governs the district's purchasing and contracting procedures. Board Policy requires Board approval for expenditures and financial obligations over \$25,000.

BACKGROUND:

Schoenbar Middle School is in dire need of updated science tables. Existing tables are badly damaged and no longer usable. After administration researched the needs of the school with the products available, including collecting multiple quotes, it was recommended to purchase epoxy resin topped tables available through Flinn Scientific that are designed for science education environments, resistant to damage, and will last for many years. These tables are designed to withstand heat, dissections, and chemicals, as well as vandalism. Epoxy is the ideal long-term solution. Additionally, if an epoxy top gets scratched or cracked, the top will still be usable with no worries about an exposed core, which is a significant problem with the existing tables.

RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends the approval of the purchase of epoxy-resin topped science tables

FISCAL NOTE

[] N/A EXPENDITURE REQUIRED: \$35,000 AMOUNT BUDGETED: \$35,000*

*\$30,000 from Operating fund & \$5,000 from Quality Ed grant

ATTACHMENT:

Flinn Scientific Quote

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

"I move that the Board of Education approve the purchase of science tables from Flinn Scientific for Schoenbar Middle School in the amount not to exceed \$35,000."