

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #45 (2000-2001)

September 11, 2000

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS: ALASKA RAILROAD
SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board authorize the Superintendent to accept grant funds from the Alaska Railroad for an on-going program, which is specified in a current Memorandum of Agreement. This award for \$18,000 supports supervised summer employment for youth through a partnership between the Railroad and Martin Luther King, Jr. Career Center.

PERTINENT FACTS:

The Alaska Railroad and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Career Center (KCC) collaborate on a Summer Youth Employment Program that provides on-the-job work experience and application of such curricular areas as Alaska history, cultures, geography, natural resources, flora, fauna, wildlife, and tourism. As specified in the Memorandum of Agreement, the Railroad provides facilities and resources to provide a meaningful summer work experience for high school students, primarily as tour guides on passenger trains and in Railroad offices. The experience also prepares potential future Alaska Railroad employees who are trained in the railroad operations and who are knowledgeable in Alaskan topics.

Previously, the Railroad has directly hired KCC staff, who help to train and supervise the students during the summer work experience. Under the amended Memorandum of Agreement, KCC staff will receive contract addenda as ASD employees, and the Railroad will reimburse the District through the grant.

Budget Summary:

Contract Addenda

\$18,000

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