

On April 15, 2013, Board Member Mike Murgio asked the following question regarding Board Agenda Item PSE 1: Bonnie Valdes Consulting - Professional Services. A response was prepared by the COO and the CAO and is provided below.

QUESTION:

This contract amount is \$7,000. Why is it coming to the board since Policy 6.14 gives the Superintendent authority to approve Consultant Contracts up to \$10,000?

RESPONSE:

The current policy indicates that the Superintendent can sign consultant agreements up to \$10,000 per fiscal year. This contract takes this vendor over \$10,000 and is using operating funds which is why we need Board approval to process. Specific policy language:

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i. Authority is vested in the Superintendent or his/her designee to approve consultant agreements between two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) and ten thousand dollars (\$10,000). However, when the contract amount will exceed \$10,000 for any one fiscal year utilizing budgeted funds, the consultant agreement must be approved by the School Board prior to services being provided.

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