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TO: Board of Education

FROM: Bruce D. Voss
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AGENDA ITEM: Board Action authority of person designated by the Board to conduct labor negotiations on the Hawaii State Teachers Association contract

I. BACKGROUND

On November 18, 2021, the Board of Education (“Board”) authorized Board Member Bill Arakaki to represent the Board in successor bargaining with the Hawaii State Teachers Association (“HSTA”).¹

II. DISCUSSION

Board Member Bill Arakaki has requested authority to take certain positions on behalf of the Board during the course of successor bargaining. This authorization does not replace the Board’s authority to execute the final collective bargaining agreement. The full and complete collective bargaining agreement will still be brought to the full Board for review and approval. The authority granted to Board Member Arakaki will only be exercised in accordance with the advice provided by the Board.

¹ November 18, 2021 General Business Meeting Minutes available at:
<https://alala1.k12.hi.us/STATE/BOE/Minutes.nsf/a15fa9df11029fd70a2565cb0065b6b7/8e0eb5d86b338bf60a2587a80003af72?OpenDocument>

III. RECOMMENDATION

Based on the forgoing, I am recommending that the Board authorize Board Member Arakaki to take certain positions on behalf of the Board during the course of successor bargaining in accordance with advice provided by the Board members in executive session.

Proposed motion: “Moved to authorize Board Member Bill Arakaki, in his role as the Board’s representative in successor bargaining with the Hawaii State Teachers Association, take certain positions on behalf of the Board during the course of successor bargaining as advised by Board members in executive session.”