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To: Dr. Noel Schmidt & Rock Ridge Finance Committee

From: Bob Voss Transportation Director

RE: Recommendation for Bus Purchase for School Year 2023-2024

Dr. Schmidt & Committee Members,

I have compiled pricing for two 77 passenger conventional school buses and two 71 passenger conventional school buses through the Minnesota State Cooperative Purchasing Program. The district has purchased buses from this cooperative program for many years. I have taken into account purchase price, trade in value, brand and warranty as well as accessibility to service. Taxes due at the time of purchase are estimates. There are also licensing fees not reflected in this request. We would be trading two buses located in Virginia and two buses located in Eveleth/Gilbert. All of these new buses will replace buses at the end of their life cycle. The bids are as follows:

Company	Base Price	Tax (est.)	Trade	Total
Hoglund Bus Co.				
	\$123,467.00	\$8,025.36	-\$1,000.00	\$130,492.36
	Two Unit Total 77 passenger			\$260,984.72
	\$122,351.00	\$7,952.82	-\$750.00	\$129,553.82
	Two Unit Total 71 passenger			\$259,107.64
Grand Total				\$520,092.36

I State Truck

	\$124,983.50	\$8,123.93	-\$2,500.00	\$130,607.43
	Two Unit Total 77	Two Unit Total 77 passenger		
	\$121,766.50	\$7,914.82	-\$2,500.00	\$127,181.32
	Two Unit Total 71	Two Unit Total 71 Passenger		
Grand Total				\$515,577.50

I am recommending that we purchase two 77 passenger buses from Hoglund Bus for the amount of \$260,948.72 and two 71 passenger buses from I State Truck for the amount of \$254,362.64.

Please let me know if you have any other questions.

Respectfully,

Bob Voss Transportation Director