Date: February 6, 2026

To: Andrea Oquist, Superintendent

From: William Green, Assistant Superintendent of Operations and District Services

Re: Recommendation for District Door Access Upgrade

William Green, Assistant Superintendent of Operations and District Services and Timothy Klan, Administrator of Information and Instructional Technology, would like an opportunity to share with the Board of Education the bid results for the door access and security upgrades at the Committee of the Whole meeting on February 9, 2026.

Background
The district is proposing a comprehensive modernization of its door access and intrusion alarm systems, replacing aging, standalone infrastructure with a fully integrated, district-wide security platform. The current alarm system is approximately 20–25 years old and relies on outdated technology, increasing operational inefficiencies.

To address these challenges, the district is recommending deployment of a modern Verkada-based door access and alarm system that integrates access control, alarm monitoring, cameras, and centralized management into a single platform. The proposed system improves reliability and situational awareness through intelligent door monitoring, real-time alarm verification, remote arming and disarming, automated scheduling, and proactive alerts for conditions such as doors being held open during the school day. Integration with existing cameras allows alarm events to be reviewed live, significantly reducing false alarms and eliminating many manual after-hours responses. The system also provides enhanced auditing, environmental monitoring in critical rooms, and scalable capabilities to support future security needs.

Recommendation
Based on the evaluation of the bids received on January 26, 2026, Integrated Design Solutions, LLC (IDS) and our department recommend proceeding with the lowest responsible bidder outlined in IDS's recommendation letter dated February 3, 2026. The lowest responsible bidder recommended is Sequoia Technologies in Rochester Hills, Michigan. The total project cost is $2,171,994 with a contingency of $200,000 for a total project cost of $2,371,994. Funding will be provided through the 2021 Bond Program. This investment replaces obsolete technology with a modern, efficient, and sustainable security solution that strengthens building safety while reducing long-term operational burden on staff.

Please add this request to the agenda for the Committee of the Whole, Monday, February 9, 2026.

Thank you.

Attachments

c: Board of Education

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