

Zionsville Community Schools

Board of School Trustees Meeting “Item for Consideration”

New Business Item 6c • October 5, 2026

Permission to Advertise for Boiler & Chiller Preventative Maintenance Program

Category:

☐ Human Resources, Personnel/Staffing	☐ Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment	
☒ Finance, Budgeting, Accounting	☐ Student Services	☐ Board Policy
☒ Facilities, Transportation, Nutrition	☐ Community Relations	☐ Other

Type of Board of Trustees Consideration Sought:

Action	☒
Discussion	☐
Report	☐

Facts of this Matter:

As a standard practice, contracted service agreements are reviewed and then renewed after undergoing an evaluative process with an eye toward improved service, cost control, and ideally cost savings to ZCS. For several years, ZCS has been engaged in a Boiler and Chiller Preventative Maintenance agreement to inspect, clean, maintain, and service the boilers and chillers throughout ZCS facilities. Our previous agreement is through the end of calendar 2026, and we seek approval to enter a new agreement for another multi-year period. The Leadership Team would like to engage in a Request for Proposals (RFP) process to test the current market for these services and to be sure that we are receiving the best service and competitive pricing as possible. We have valued a productive relationship with the current provider and hope that they will participate in this process but would like to explore what options have emerged in the market since this was last examined.

Objective POSITIVES related to this item or approach:

Boilers and chillers are among the highest-priced individual pieces of equipment across the district. Their efficient operation is a key element of providing indoor air quality to meet expected standards for our spaces and to promote student learning and growth in our schools. The proposed term of the agreement is three years to mitigate inflationary impacts on cost. Advertising for and receiving proposals does not, in any way, obligate ZCS to proceed with any particular action. Proposals, once received, will be evaluated and presented for consideration at a future meeting.

Objective NEGATIVES related to this item or approach:

None known.

Financial Implications, if any:

This service, once approved, is supported via Operations Fund dollars.

Opinion/Recommendation:

Approval.

Suggested Wording for a Motion, if any:

I move to authorize the Leadership Team to advertise for Boiler and Chiller Preventative Maintenance service proposals as presented.