Executive Summary: Athletic Training Services Agreement

Introduction

This executive summary provides an overview of the proposed three-year Athletic Training Services Agreement between Meridian Community Unit School District #223 (Stillman Valley High School) and Orthopedic Rehab Specialists (ORS) for the school years 2025-2026, 2026-2027, and 2027-2028.

Key Provisions of the Agreement:

- **Dedicated Athletic Trainer:** A certified and licensed athletic trainer will be available five days a week at the high school, with mutually agreed-upon scheduling.
- **Primary Responsibilities:** The athletic trainer's core duties include injury screening, referral to physicians for diagnosis and treatment, and recommending procedures for prevention, assessment, and treatment of student athletic injuries. They will also counsel student-athletes on injury prevention and rehabilitation.
- **Event Coverage:** The agreement includes coverage for:
 - All home Varsity sporting events (excluding Cross Country, Golf, Bowling).
 - All home and away Sophomore and Varsity Football games, and home Freshman Football games.
 - Junior Varsity events played before a Varsity event (with exceptions for soccer).
 - Post-season home events hosted by Stillman Valley (e.g., Regionals, Sectionals).
- **District Responsibilities:** The high school is responsible for providing adequate space, an exam table, phone access, and necessary supplies (e.g., ice, tape). The high school will also pay for signage and digital ads promoting ORS.
- **Liability Coverage:** Services provided by the athletic trainer are covered under Orthopedic Rehab Specialists' Professional Liability Insurance.

Financial Terms:

- **Annual Fee:** The agreed-upon annual fee for each of the three school years is \$34,000.00.
- Per Event Fee Schedule (for additional coverage):
 - Single Events (e.g., BB game, VB match, Baseball, Wrestling Dual, Track):
 \$50.00
 - Three-Way Events (e.g., Wrestling, Track): \$75.00
 - Half-Day Events (lasting 4 hours): \$75.00
 - All-Day Events (tournaments lasting >4 hours): \$150.00

Projected Athletic Trainer Hours and Events (Annual Estimate):

Based on historical data and the proposed schedule, the athletic trainer is projected to provide the following coverage:

• Fall Season: Approximately 322 Hours / 51 Events

• Winter Season: Approximately 428 Hours / 46 Events

• Spring Season: Approximately 318 Hours / 87 Events

• **Total Annual Coverage:** Approximately 1,068 Hours across 184 Events

Recommendation:

This agreement ensures comprehensive athletic training services for our student-athletes, prioritizing their safety, injury prevention, and rehabilitation needs. The consistent presence of a dedicated athletic trainer is invaluable for student well-being and aligns with our commitment to providing a supportive environment for our athletic programs.

It is recommended that the Board of Education consider approval of this Athletic Training Services Agreement with Orthopedic Rehab Specialists for the 2025-2026, 2026-2027, and 2027-2028 school years.