



ANTIOCH COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 34

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BOARD MEETING MEMORANDUM

Board Meeting Date: February 17, 2026

From: Maria Treto-French, Assistant Superintendent/CFO/CSBO

Re: Purchase of School Buses

Attachment: Midwest Transit Equipment Proposal Agreement

Agenda Location: Consideration to Approve: Action Items

Rationale:

This year's capital purchase budget in the Transportation Fund will accommodate purchasing large buses as deemed necessary. Included in your packet is the proposal from Midwest Transit Equipment. This year, we propose to trade in a total of five (5) buses: four (1) is a 2015; 71 passenger buses, three (3) are 2016: 72 passenger buses and one (1) is a 2016; 48 passenger bus, in return for four (4) 2024; 72 passenger/IC/CE diesel hydraulic buses and one (1) 2024; 36+2 Passenger lift IC/CE diesel. We have opted to purchase an extended warranty for engine, chassis & body warranties on the 5 acquired buses, which is included in the quote.

The district will apply the trade-in amount once finalized. The projected trade-in value for the 2015 ranges between \$3,500-\$6K and for the 2016 ranges between \$6-8K. The final trade-in will be applied to the \$542,927.

This purchase will ensure that our fleet reaches the appropriate size, which includes 10% of our total bus count for 'spare' buses.

Recommendation/Motion:

The administration recommends that the Board approve the purchase of (4) 2024 72-passenger IC/CE diesel buses and one 2024 36 plus 2-passenger lift-equipped IC/CE diesel bus, each with a five-year extended warranty through 2030, for a total amount not to exceed \$542,927.00.