

AGENDA

ITEM

SUBJECT:

RATIONALE:

Consider Board approval of a Professional Learning Plan. State law requires an approved method for acquisition of goods or services totaling over \$50,000.00 for a 12 month period.

The Emergent Bilingual Department has been working with Dr. Michelle Yzquierdo with Seidlitz Education for the past three years. During this time, Dr. Yzquierdo has provided targeted support for both the Emergent Bilingual (EB) Specialist and the broader department, with a strong emphasis on building instructional capacity and supporting language development.

For the 2025–2026 school year, the focus of this partnership will shift to directly supporting campuses in building academic vocabulary across all content areas. The planned scope of work includes: campus based training, walkthrough calibrations with campus leadership, and in-class lesson modeling. This is designed to deepen implementation of the district’s existing framework.

We have obtained comparable quotes from other vendors (see attached tabs). The price listed is per day, and while their professional learning can be specific to emergent bilingual learners, our recommendation is to proceed with the Seidlitz Education contract. Not only is it more cost effective, but the training will follow Seidlitz’s 7 Steps to a Language Rich Interactive Classroom model, which teachers are familiar with due to our previous professional learning opportunities in the district. Instead of starting something new, this will allow us to build on the foundational work already in place.

RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends that the District approve the purchase of the Professional Learning Plan to Seidlitz Education for the 2025-2026 year in the amount of \$4000 per workshop including 13 days totaling \$52,000 for the year.

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