

MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education
Members

DATE: August 27, 2024

NUMBER: 25-011

FR: Office of the Superintendent

SUBJECT: Approval of Budget and
Design Contract Award
Davis-Ramoth K-12 School
Renovation

ABSTRACT:

Board approval is required to expend \$50,000.00 and higher.

ISSUE:

At issue is board allocation of funding and award of a design contract to continue planning and design of the Davis-Ramoth K-12 School Renovation to Burkhart Croft Architects.

BACKGROUND AND/OR PERTINENT INFORMATION:

Davis-Ramoth K-12 School Renovation was approved within the state FY25 budget at the end of June. The pending grant award is for a total of \$9,424,172 with \$7,539,339 from the state and \$1,884,834 of local match. While the grant is not yet signed, the district can move forward with planning and design and still be reimbursed for work completed. It is anticipated that the grant agreement will be finalized no later than September.

In 2020 the District advertised for competitive proposals for a term contract to provide districtwide design services. Burkhart Croft Architects (BCA) was the highest ranked proposer. Term contracts are renewable for a total of five years. Since that time and through a previous term contract, they have provided various design documents to support grant applications to the Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) for the Davis-Ramoth School Renewal. It is recommended that BCA continue providing design services for this project.

In anticipation of the project bidding in the spring of 2025, the Administration recommends allocating \$650,000 to the design budget now to continue design efforts in preparation for the construction phase. This expense is reimbursable through the grant.

It is recommended that the Superintendent be delegated authority to contract with Burkhart Croft Architects for further development of the Davis-Ramoth K-12 School Renovation project within the project budget. BCA has performed well, has a good understanding of the project, and has successfully designed other rural schools for the State.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve the design budget of \$650,000 for the Davis-Ramoth K-12 School Renovation Project and the delegation of authority to the Superintendent to contract with Burkhart Croft Architects, as presented.

2. Disapprove the design budget of \$650,000 for the Davis-Ramoth K-12 School Renovation Project and the delegation of authority to the Superintendent to contract with Burkhart Croft Architects, as presented.

3. Take no final action.

RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends the Board approve the \$650,000 design budget for the Davis-Ramoth K-12 School Renovation Project and the delegation of authority to the Superintendent to contract with Burkhart Croft Architects, within this budget.