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TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Paul Southerton, Director of Business & Operations

DATE: April 23, 2025

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the purchase of (2) Electric School Buses

Background & Request:

You may recall that the District was awarded a **grant** of up to **\$300,000 from Multnomah County** for the purchase of an electric school bus and the School Board previously approved the purchase of the bus. Unfortunately, the manufacturer of the school bus model ordered has been acquired by another company and no longer is honoring previous orders.

Unrelated, the District has also received a grant (\$4.6M over 5-years) from the Portland Clean Energy Fund to support greenhouse gas reduction in our Portland schools and carbonization of some school buses.

The two grants combined, (approximately \$300,000 from Multnomah County and \$600,000 from the Districts PCEF Grant) will provide 100% of funding for two new electric school buses.

The District has completed the review of available buses, pupil transportation needs, and statewide competitive procurement contracts and is ready to proceed with ordering the two new buses.

It is recommended that the Board of Directors of the Centennial School District approves the purchase of (2) new Electric School Buses for a total price not to exceed the \$900,000 and grant the Superintendent, Director of Business & Operations, and their designee(s) the authority necessary to sign documents needed to complete the purchase.

Agenda Item: 7.1.1