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To: Dr. Dave Palzett, Superintendent  
From: Griffin L. Sonntag, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations  
Date: January 14, 2026  
RE: Annual Presentation of the District Audit by Lauterbach & Amen

**Background Information:**

As you may recall, Lauterbach & Amen was selected as the district's auditor through a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process conducted in spring 2025. We entered into a three-year engagement, with the option to extend annually thereafter. The firm recently completed their first audit cycle with our district, and Matt Beran, CPA and Partner of the firm, will be presenting the full results at the January 21, 2026, Board of Education meeting.

The audit process itself was thorough, timely, and consistent with the expectations and standards established in prior years. Lauterbach & Amen demonstrated a highly collaborative and professional approach throughout their work. They were not only meticulous in their review but also proactive in offering thoughtful, constructive suggestions for minor updates to existing practices—each aimed at strengthening internal controls and operational efficiency.

Overall, the experience has been extremely positive. The team at Lauterbach & Amen has proven to be a valuable partner, committed to supporting our district's financial health and continuous improvement.

I appreciate your continued support of our financial stewardship efforts.

**Administration Recommendation:**

Approve the FY25 Audit as presented.