

**Dunlap Community Unit School District 323
Board of Education Meeting**

Date

March 12, 2025

ACTION ITEM

TO: Members of the Board of Education
Dr. Scott Dearman, Superintendent

FROM: Dr. Scott Adreon, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services

SUBJECT: Banner Piping Project

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Banner Elementary was constructed in 1980. The building is still in excellent condition and has an effective heating and cooling system that is original to the building. Unfortunately, the system has begun to deteriorate quite rapidly. In short, the system consists of a boiler (heat) a chiller (AC) and a series of two pipes that run the length of the two main hallways. One pipe supplies the glycol and the other returns it. Over the past several years, the pipes have begun to erode from the inside (See attached picture). This has caused several leaks that come through the insulation, the ceiling, and onto the floors. These repairs and associated cleanup have become more frequent and costly as we've had to replace piping, glycol, insulation, ceilings, flooring, etc.

Farnsworth designed replacement plans and specifications for the project. Bids were collected on December 12 (See tabulations attached) and consisted of three bidders. The recommendation is to approve Pipco as the winning contractor at a low bid price of \$259,000.

Work for this project will begin as soon as school is out to ensure that the building is ready for the start of the 25-26 school year.





