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MEMO

To: Board of Education

From: Anthony Cozzi *AC*

RE: Award for Audit Services

Date: April 10, 2026

We were previously informed by our current auditing firm, Miller, Cooper, Ltd. that they would no longer be an active service provider in the governmental auditing industry and would be ending our professional relationship. Without an auditing service provider for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, we sent out a request for proposal (RFP) to four qualified firms in the area. Our RFP was for auditing services for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2026, 2027 and 2028. After our initial review, we chose two finalist firms and held in-person interviews.

We analyzed them for firm credentials, key engagement personnel, schedule availability, audit approach, value-added services, governmental entity references, and pricing. Both firms were very qualified. After close consideration, we formally recommend awarding the service contract to Sikich CPA, LLC for the three years ending June 30, 2026, 2027 and 2028 for the fees of \$42,000, \$43,260 and \$44,500, respectively.

Sikich CPA, LLC is located in Naperville and serves many school districts and other governmental entities in the Chicagoland metropolitan area.

Please call me with any questions or comments.