

June 14, 2012

MEMO TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Darrell J. Moon, Business Manager

RE: Request to bid our Gas and Electric Energy use by issuing a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a one, two or three year commitment.

The District is in need of securing natural gas and electrical energy for the next year or longer. I would suggest that we look at procuring quotations that will lock in the excellent rates that are now available. We will be looking at energy companies that are able to provide the necessary energy needs to the District for either one two or three years. One of the companies is a consortium through the Alliance. That is the group that is a partnership of IASB, IASA, IASBO and IPA. IASB is the association of school boards that you all belong to. IASA is the superintendent's organization. IASBO is the association that I belong to for school business officials. The last group is the Illinois Principals Association, IPA. The title of this group is IEC, Illinois Energy Consortium. We should be able to lock in rates that are attractive and less than we are paying now. I would like to do an RFP for natural gas immediately and the RFP for Electricity in September so it coincides with our contract that is over in December.

SUGGESTED MOTION: I move that the Board of Education authorize the administration to request RFPs from qualified suppliers for Gas and Electric Energy as suggested above.