

## **MEMO**

DATE: August 15, 2011

TO: Board of Trustees and Mr. David Meadows, Interim Superintendent

FROM: Linda Pannell

Finance Director

RE: Bus Purchases

In an effort to maintain our bus fleet, Kenneth Roberts and Julie Hinds have requested the purchase of buses. There were 4 buses placed in the 2011-12 budget for a total of \$344,000. Truck Center has offered a price for the four buses at \$85,975 each or a total cost of \$343,900. These are 77 passenger buses and are not wheelchair equipped.

Additional information related to wheelchair equipping: for the purchase of wheelchair equipped buses, 4 passenger seats would be removed with two removed for the wheelchair and two for the hoist making the bus then a 66 passenger bus. The additional cost for equipping the bus for wheelchair accessibility is \$9,500 which includes installation.

Please consider the purchase of these buses to continue to maintain our bus fleet with the purchase of new buses each year.