



Geneva Community Unit School District 304
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Board of Education Report

To: Dr. Kent Mutchler, Superintendent
Board of Education – Finance Committee

From: Dean Romano, Assistant Superintendent – Business Services

Date: Thursday, March 4, 2021

Meeting: Monday, March 8, 2021

Agenda Item:

2021-2022 Food Service Agreement

Item Type: Consent Action **Information** **Discussion**

Recommended Motion: Move to send this item to the full board for consideration

Vision Connection: Effective Communicators

Policy Reference (if applicable): 4:10 – FISCAL AND BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

Background Information:

The District partners with an outside provider to support the District's food service program. During the end of the 2019-2020 School Year, and all of the 2020-2021 School Year, the District was able to support families through the Summer Food Service Program which offered no cost meals to students. This program also supported the financial components of operating the food service program while in-person student attendance has significantly impacted meal sales and operational aspects of providing meals to students. Without the financial benefits of the Summer Food Service Program, there would be a significant cost to the district to operate the food service program.

While hopeful for a full return to in-person learning for students for the start of the 2021-2022 School Year, the long-term impacts of COVID-19 are still unknown. Additionally, further extension of the existing parameters of the Summer Food Service Program is questionable. These factors have led to the need to develop a new program agreement which offers the District more financial protection.

Through collaborative discussion with Sodexo, a new agreement structure has been developed which utilizes a commission-based design. This new structure will not only limit financial exposure relating to any student attendance model implemented for the 2021-2022 school year but provide a minimum guaranteed revenue component tied to the total number of full district meal service days.

ATTACHMENT(S): N/A
