Consider approval to award contract for RFP 2425-131 Speech Therapy Services

1. Background:

Southwest ISD is currently seeking to retain the services of Speech Therapy Services. A request for proposal (RFP) was advertised, and six proposals were received. Proposals were received from Epic Special Education Staffing, AMN Allied Services, DEV Speech Services, Sunbelt Staffing, The Stepping Stones Group and Word By Word Speech Therapy PLLC. District Staff evaluated the proposals and is recommending that Epic Special Education Staffing, AMN Allied Services, DEV Speech Services, Sunbelt Staffing, The Stepping Stones Group and Word By Word Speech Therapy PLLC. awarded the contract for RFP 2425-131 Speech Therapy Services.

2. Process:

RFP 2425-131 was issued for the procurement method for Speech Therapy Services. Proposals were evaluated and qualified based on the established criteria outlined in the RFP. District staff is also requesting board approval to add vendors monthly through May 31, 2030, that meet the requirements and agreed terms in the RFP.

3. <u>Fiscal Impact:</u>

The additional cost for the services will not exceed \$500,000 for the 2025-2025 school year. The cost will be paid from Special Education Federal IDEA-B and State Funds.

4. Recommendation:

District staff is recommending the Board to award Epic Special Education Staffing, AMN Allied Services, DEV Speech Services, Sunbelt Staffing, The Stepping Stones Group and Word By Word Speech Therapy PLLC., the contract for RFP 2425-131 Speech Therapy Services.

5. Required:

Board Action