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Emergency HLS Resolution for Kimes Boiler Replacement

The main boiler at Kimes Elementary School has failed, and the facility is currently sustained by a temporary backup system. To prevent an imminent threat to student and staff safety and avoid a total facility closure, an emergency replacement is required

Background and Information:

We have secured a quote from Merit Mechanical Service LLC for \$98,175.00. The project involves replacing the faulty Aerco unit with a high-efficiency Weil-McLain SVF2000 boiler and reconfiguring the piping to a primary/secondary loop for increased efficiency.

Regulatory & Funding Process

The district is following the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) emergency procedures (23 Ill. Admin. Code 180.530):

- The Board must adopt this resolution (Form 36-20) to officially declare the emergency and seek exemption from standard bidding requirements.
- Upon Board approval, the resolution is sent to the Regional Superintendent and ISBE. Once ISBE issues the Certificate of Authorization, the district can immediately initiate the work.
- This project will be financed through Fire Prevention and Safety (HLS) funds.

Administrative Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached Emergency Board Resolution. This action allows us to move to the final stage of state authorization and begin the installation immediately to ensure school remains habitable.