

Kimberly School District #414
REGULAR BOARD MEETING FY24

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023

ITEM#11B5

AWARD RFP FOR PURCHASE OF CONVENTIONAL SCHOOL BUS

One proposal from Bryson (Bluebird) was submitted for purchase of a new school bus. The evaluation committee rated this proposal 115/120 and recommends that the Board of Trustee accepts this proposal. In the past, we have had a great experience with Bryson and Bluebird buses. The proposal for a new bus is \$151,956 and the depreciation KSD will receive over the next 12 years is \$146,883. For your reference a spreadsheet, prepared by Laurie Wirtz outlines how the depreciation will fund the lease payments for this bus and the buses that currently have a lease balance. Additionally, Laurie has received current interest rate estimates for bus leases. Keep in mind, these quotes will not apply when we take position of the bus in June. Lastly, the transportation department has created a Bus Inventory of our current buses including a schedule for replacing those buses that will be retired due to age, mileage, or mechanical condition.

Recommendations: The administration recommends that the Kimberly School Board of Trustees accepts the proposal from Bryson to purchase a conventional school bus.