



MEMORANDUM

TO: THE KANSAS CITY KANSAS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FROM: DR. CYNTHIA LANE, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
DATE : MAY 9, 2017
SUBJECT: ACCEPT LOW BID FOR SCHOOL BUSES

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Kansas City, Kansas Board of Education accept the bid meeting the written requirements of the bid document from **Midwest Bus Sales in the amount of \$343,148**, as submitted by Wayne Correll, Director of Purchasing, Dr. Kelli Mather, Chief Operating Officer and as recommended by Dr. Cynthia Lane, Superintendent of Schools.

EXPLANATION

Background

Sealed bids for buses were received on October 5, 2017 in the office of the Purchasing Department. Bids were sent to four firms and publicly advertised in the District's legal publication. Bid responses were received from two firms. Attached is a bid analysis of the cost proposals received from Midwest Transit Equipment, and Midwest Bus Sales. This acquisition is will be supported by Transportation Department funding.

71 Passenger Buses (Quantity: 4)

A Transportation Department review of the bid responses determined that bid submitted by Midwest Bus Sales met the specifications of the solicitation for 4 – 71 passenger buses, and is the lowest responsible bid. The new buses are intended to replace Buses 26, 36, 60 and 306. It is recommended that the Board accept the bid submitted by Midwest Bus Sales for 4 – 71 passenger buses.

A bid tabulation is attached.

Why This is Important

It is important to upgrade our bus fleet as we have many that are older, and require frequent repair. Additionally, it is easier to assure safety of the fleet with newer buses.

Strategic Framework Priority

Replacement of worn equipment and purchase of new equipment will support mission of the Transportation Department, and address the priority of being good stewards of resources with financial accountability.



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What Action is the Board Being Asked to Consider?

Approve bid from Midwest Bus Sales to allow purchase of 4 new 71 passenger school buses for the Transportation Department.

Recommended by:

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Dr. Cynthia Lane
Superintendent of Schools

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kelli Mather".

Dr. Kelli Mather
Chief Operating Officer

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Wayne Correll
Director of Purchasing

17-032 School Buses

Requirement	Recommended	2
	Midwest Bus Sales	Midwest Transit*
	Cost	Cost
Unit Cost: 71 Passenger Bus	\$ 84,996.00	\$ 84,043.00
Tire Pressure Monitoring System	\$ 791.00	\$ 1,595.00
Total Cost: 4 - 71 Passenger Buses	\$ 343,148.00	\$ 342,552.00

*One of the major specifications missed: "Adjustable Pedal System." The adjustable pedal is critical item for our female drivers, enabling them the ability to operate the bus safely. As per Director of Transportation