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MISSION STATEMENT

D.C. Everest Area School District, in partnership with the community, is committed to being an innovative educational leader in developing knowledgeable, productive, caring, creative, responsible individuals prepared to meet the challenges of an ever-changing global society.

TO: Dr. Kristine Gilmore, Superintendent

FROM: Jack E. Stoskopf, Jr., Assistant Superintendent for Business/Personnel Services

RE: Transportation Contract Tentative Approval

DATE: April 20, 2011

In an effort to reduce the 2011-2012 budget in all areas, the district engaged in contract extension talks with our current carrier, First Student.

Executives from the company traveled to visit with us on two occasions in an effort to work in assisting with finding ways to reduce our transportation costs.

Process:

- Initial meeting to explain our financial situation and ask for a comprehensive review of our contract in an effort to reduce costs took place in February.
- Third party in-depth examination of our transportation routing and practices was completed (at no charge to the district) during the month of March. The report showed high levels of efficiency in practices and routing.
- A second negotiations meeting recently took place that resulted in a significant reduction in transportation costs beginning with the 2011-2012 school year.

We are currently in the 4th year of a five year contract. By re-signing now, we would get reduced rates. In order to do this we would be extending our contract for an additional five years (one year early).

This memo provides the board with the financial information regarding this agreement (attached). We are not asking for a renewal of the contract at this time as there are some language changes that will take place prior to the final proposal being presented for your approval.

Total district level savings is up to \$171,728 plus building level savings for field trips and athletic travel – see attachment.

Administration asks for tentative approval of extending our transportation contract with First Student. Final approval would not take place until minor contract language agreements have been agreed to. It would be our intent to bring the final contract approval to the board in May.

First Student New Contract Proposal			
2011-12 School Year			
	Current Contract 2011-12	New Contract* 2011-12	Cost Reduction
Regular Transportation	\$ 2,089,122	\$ 1,985,897	\$ (103,225)
Special Ed Transportation	\$ 397,928	\$ 372,356	\$ (25,572)
Misc. Transportation	\$ 40,850	\$ 41,373	\$ 523
Summer School	\$ 58,188	\$ 54,728	\$ (3,460)
3 Operating Day Reduction (180 to 177)	\$ -	\$ (39,994)	\$ (39,994)
	\$ 2,586,088	\$ 2,414,360	\$ (171,728)
*New 5-Year Contract with Elimination of 1-Easton/Hatley Route			
	Current Contract 2011-12	New Contract 2011-12	Variance
Transportation Rates			
Monitors			
Per Hour	10.44	\$ 10.08	\$ (0.36)
Activity Trips & Field Trips			
Per Mile Rate	1.26	\$ 1.23	\$ (0.03)
Driver Hourly Rate	14.26	\$ 13.77	\$ (0.49)
Minimum Charge	29.33	\$ 28.32	\$ (1.01)
Contract Adjustments			
Year 2 - 2012-13	2.00%		
Year 3 - 2013-14	2.25%		
Year 4 - 2014-15	2.50%		
Year 5 - 2015-16	2.50%		
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