INFORMATION SHEET 06/16/2020 TRUSTEES MEETING

ATTACHMENT 7.12

TO: Jim Bridges, Superintendent

FOR: Board of Trustees

FROM: Dena Whittington

ISSUE: Price Increase for Transportation Services

The services the District offers for home-to-school transportation are voluntary unless specified in an IEP. In the 2019-20 school year, the District operated three bus routes to the four school sites. The three routes provide a service to about 300 students. Please see breakdown of ridership below. The projected cost of the three routes in the 2020-21 school year is $215,000, or just over $70,000 per route. In order to avoid an audit finding, the district must spend the amount of transportation funding received in the 2012-13 school year of $108,000 on transporting students. The District is projected to spend $107,000 in excess of the minimum requirement in 2020-21.

2019-20 Ridership Demographics	
Required:	
IEP students	8
Foster youth	7
District option:	
Advanced Math AM Only	21
Overflow	20
Voluntary:	
Income Eligible	68
Employee PM Only	8
Paid PM Only	75
Paid round trip	92
Total Ridership	299

Using historical data, the cost to transport a student is estimated to be $700 per year. The current annual round trip bus pass is $230. Neighboring districts have annual round trip fees of $360 or higher. An increase of $130 from $230 to $360 for an annual round trip pass could generate $10,000 additional revenue for the Transportation Department. In addition, the past practice of offering reduced fees for one-way or partial year ridership is not required, but will continue in the 2020-21 school year.

Recommendation: Increase annual round trip bus pass to $360

Increase annual one-way bus pass to $180

Increase semester round trip bus pass to $180

Increase semester one-way pass to $90

Fiscal Impact: General Fund, Transportation Budget $10,000 additional annual revenue based on bus passes issued prior to school closure.