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Date: March 16, 2026

To: Board of Education  
Dr. Rob Schiffbauer, Superintendent

From: John Troy, Assistant Superintendent  
& General Counsel

Subject: **Fire Sciences Turn-out Gear**

The district went out for bid for purchase of equipment and supplies to support its new fire sciences curriculum. However, the pricing received from the sole bidder, Air One, for the turn-out gear (coats & pants) was quite high and after discussions with the Minooka Fire Department we decided to pull those items from the bid and solicit quotes from our cooperative bidding partner, Sourcewell.

The following is the summary of the bids/quotes that the district received for the 30 turnout coats and 30 turnout pants:

Air One	\$94,950 (bid quote)
Darley	\$56,760 (Sourcewell)
Dinges	\$84,000 (Sourcewell)

The administration recommends purchasing the Turn-out gear from Darley and if the Board is in agreement the following would be an appropriate motion:

***Motion to approve the purchase of the fire sciences turn-out gear from Darley under Sourcewell Contract Number 020124-WSD in the amount of \$56,760.***