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To: Board of Trustees

From: Rob Tracy

Subject: New Activity Bus Purchase

I am requesting Board approval for the purchase a new Conventional Style Activity Bus to replace Bus 38 soon to be sold. I have received quotes from three vendors ranging from a high end rear engine MCI Coach Classic to a moderately priced front engine Thomas Built Bus.

The breakdown is as follows:

- 2021 Blue Bird 44 passenger Conventional front engine: \$139,750.00
- 2021 Thomas Built Saf-T-Liner, C-2 Conventional front engine: \$141,859.00
- 2017 MCI Classic Coach w/250,000 miles rear engine: \$150,000.00

All buses have three point harness seat belts and coach style seats and carry 44 passengers. Buses are white in color with under belly storage, tinted windows, aluminum wheels and drop chains for winter driving.

I am recommending we purchase the Thomas Built C-2 as we have two Thomas buses in our fleet and have had no problems with them what so ever. This is a moderately priced alternative too.