To: Dr. Mary Whitrock, Superintendent; Board of Education

From: Jessi Johnson, Principal of Quest Elementary School;

Jamie Dragolovich, President of Quest Governance Council

Date: Dec. 10, 2024

Re: Quest Charter Contract Contract

Background

The Quest Charter Governance Council met on Thursday, October 17 to discuss the charter renewal which expires on June 30, 2025. This led to further staff discussion and additional discussion at the Tuesday, November 12 governance council meeting. At the end of November, individual classroom teacher meetings were held to discuss potential unification with all Murray Park and Quest classroom teachers. On Thursday, December 5, a parent meeting was held to discuss the potential unification. Additionally, an anonymous survey was sent out to families to provide feedback. On Tuesday, December 10, 2024, the Quest Governance Council meeting was held. - Parent Meeting Presentation, December Governance Council minutes attached

Current Situation

A motion was made by Lesley Ernst to vote not to renew the contract effective June 30, 2025. The vote was 8-0, with 1 board member absent, in favor of not renewing the contract. The council is notifying the Ripon Area School Board that the council will not be asking the Board to renew the contract when it ends on June 30, 2025.

Of further note, the Quest Elementary teaching staff expressed their desire on November 12, 2024 not to renew the charter contract past the current school year. They expressed a desire to join as one school.

Recommendation

Therefore on behalf of the Quest Elementary Charter Governance Council, we are notifying the Ripon Area School District that the charter contract will end June 30, 2025.