

Consideration for action – Resolution of Withdrawal from Schools Excess Liability Fund, a joint powers authority and excess risk pool.

BACKGROUND:

The Accelerated Schools is currently a member of the Alliance of Schools for Cooperative Insurance Programs, a joint powers authority and primary risk sharing pool of public educational agencies. ASCIP provides coverages for (liability claims)(workers compensation) and (property losses). Schools Excess Liability Fund, another separate JPA, has for many years worked with ASCIP and provides to the District excess coverage in areas covered by ASCIP as the primary pool.

Based upon preliminary review and information obtained or generated by staff, it is recommended that TAS review available options for excess reinsurance as well as continuation with the SELF programs for scope of coverage, pricing-rates and also operational issues of TAS and ASCIP working with SELF for maximum excess participation on behalf of the District.

For TAS to evaluate options, and if finding a superior one to be able to move to an alternative excess program effective July 1, 2026 when the current fiscal year of SELF ends under the Joint Powers Agreement of SELF to which TAS is a signatory, TAS is required to have the Board adopt a formal Resolution of Withdrawal to be effective July 1, 2026, to send written Notice of Withdrawal with a copy of the Resolution to SELF, and to do so by on or before the close of business on December 31, 2025 in order for the withdrawal to be effective July 1, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Governing Board formally adopt a Resolution, a draft of which is appended, serving as a Resolution of Withdrawal to then be sent by staff to SELF with written notice of the intended withdrawal by no later than December 31, 2025. It is not the intention of TAS presently to commit to leaving SELF pending completion of a due diligence on excess options. But to comply with the notice provisions and to confer and confirm with SELF that this Resolution of Withdrawal may be superseded by a later Resolution to remain a current member in good standing with SELF if that is the later decision of this Board, is the recommendation.