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COLTS to get two smaller buses

SCRANTON — The County of Lackawanna Transit System expects to take delivery next week of two smaller buses that will be used to serve the University of Scranton and Marywood University.

The so-called cutaway buses, manufactured by Shepard Brothers Inc. of Canandaigua, N.Y., are 25 feet long — about 10 feet shorter than a standard bus — and seat 18 passengers, executive director Robert Fiume told the COLTS board Wednesday. The vehicles are handicapped-accessible.

“Down the road, if they work out, we can always buy more,” Mr. Fiume said of the \$70,000 buses.

The buses will be used, at least initially, on COLTS’ university service, he said. Because they are shorter, they will be able to access areas on the University of Scranton campus in particular where larger buses cannot easily maneuver narrow streets and tight corners.

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