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Agenda IV. B.2. January 28, 2021

- **TO:** Members, Board of Education Dr. Theresa Battle, Superintendent
- **FROM:** Lisa K. Rider, executive director of business services
- **DATE:** January 21, 2021
- **RE:** Award Contract for Chromebook Purchase

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approves the contract for Chromebook purchase and related service to CDW-G in the amount of \$803,400.

For 2021-22 we determined that we would purchase the Acer Spin 511 752TN-C5J5. This is the same model that is currently being used in multiple grades and has a touchscreen and stylus.

Technology manufacturing, shipping, and imports have all been negatively impacted by COVID-19. Due to these impacts, we are looking to purchase our annual Chromebook earlier than usual to ensure we receive them in time for next school year. Current delivery estimates are approximately 5-6 months. Funding for this purchase will be from the FY22 Technology Levy.

In accordance with Board Policy 715, we have chosen to exercise our option to purchase using a qualifying cooperative purchasing agreement and utilize our existing vendor, CDW-G.

- 2600 Acer Chromebooks Spin 511 R752TN-C5J5 (\$292/unit)
- 2600 White Glove setup including asset tags (\$17/unit)
- Total cost per unit = \$309
- Total cost of 2600 Chromebook Purchase = \$803,400

Chromebooks from this purchase will replace aging Chromebooks in elementary, 6th and 9th grades. It also includes a small inventory to help cover anticipated losses at the end of this school year.

We have worked with the manufacturer, Acer, to adjust the start of the 1 year warranty for the new Chromebooks to September 2021. This will ensure we have a full year of warranty coverage from the time of handout rather than received date scheduled after July 1, 2021.

It is recommended the contract be approved with CDW-G through the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing agreement. Contract: Sourcewell RFP 081419 Tech Catalog - Chromebook (081419-CDW).