

## **Livonia Public Schools**

**Operations** 

Date: August 12, 2020

To: Andrea Oquist, Superintendent

From: Phillip Francis, Director of Operations

Re: Laptop Computers and Cart Purchase

I would like an opportunity to share with the Board of Education the recommendation to purchase 36 laptop computers and 1 charging cart from CDW-G, utilizing the District Technology Fund. The total amount is \$31,248.00. The quote from CDW-G is attached to this memo. These laptops will be for Central Office staff who need laptops for use on the go at offsite meetings, etc. These laptops will also be used by employees who must work from home, if the District is forced to close due to the current pandemic. Chromebooks and other cloud-based devices cannot have software added to them; therefore, laptop computers are the best mobile solution for our employees.

Additionally, I am recommending an additional purchase of 192 laptop computers and 6 charging carts from CDW-G in the amount of \$122,058.00 utilizing the District Technology Fund. These laptops will be deployed at our high schools so we will have additional mobile devices for student use. These laptops cost less than the previously mentioned laptops because these 192 laptops will be set up for student use, while the 36 laptops for Central Office will be more powerful because they will need to run more sophisticated software. The total for all laptops and carts is \$153,306.00.

Please add this request to the agenda of the Monday, August 17, 2020 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Thank you.

Attachments

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c: Board of Education