Technology Narrative

Enclosed is the complete worksheet we used to come up with a condensed worksheet provided to you at the last board meeting

Columns C and D are the 414 computers we proposed to replace in this plan. These were purchased in approximately 2001/2002. Column Q is the 33 computers to be purchased for the new teachers and classrooms in grades 2 and 3 for the 15/1 student /teacher ratio. Column S is the Title I computers that must be redistributed based on the student population. We are going from seven Title I schools to four Title I schools. The negative numbers in this column indicate that the school no longer has Title I eligible students.

The 33 new classroom computers need to be purchased now and the funds for these computers are in the construction/renovation funds. In Column X there are 10 computers to be purchased with E2T2 funds. This technology grant was written to place computers in media centers for ELL students.

Three years ago we purchased approximately Two hundred thousand dollars worth of computers and moved around approximately 600 computers to more evenly balance the age of computers throughout the district. This year our plan was to purchase a total of 497 computers (Column Y) and place one new computer on every K-6 regular teacher's desk. Our district ratio of computers to students would be one computer to each 3.78 students.

In my discussion with principals, some would like to have discretion to use some of this money for other technology. If we do so, we would have to be currently satisfied with older computers next year and a higher computer to student ratio.