



Executive Summary Finance Committee Meeting

DATE: August 20, 2020

TOPIC: Subscription of Formative at Rutledge Hall for 2020-2021

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Recommended for:

- ☒ Action
- ☒ Discussion
- ☒ Information

Purpose/Background:

Formative is a cloud-based learning & assessment platform that provides timely feedback, that keeps students engaged and accountable in both virtual and traditional classrooms. Formative gives teachers real-time information on student work and allows for immediate intervention and support. Rutledge Hall teachers have previously used the free version but were given access to premium features during the spring. Teachers found features such as advanced question types, the removal of file size limits, student growth tracking, and the ability to co teach and collaborate on activities most beneficial to the teaching and learning environment.

The District's Legal Counsel reviewed the contract and terms and conditions provided by Formative and requested revisions to their terms of service in the areas of indemnification, limitation of liability, and applicable state law. The vendor was unwilling to modify these terms but Counsel found the contract and terms and conditions acceptable as it stands. Counsel also noted that the terms and conditions contained language about Formative's right to use public user content. On counsel's recommendation, the Technology Team will train staff on the distinction between public content and nonpublic content that they are submitting in order to ensure that staff does not make public anything that should not be.

Fiscal Impact:

\$3,421

Recommendation:

It is the Administrative recommendation that the Finance Committee concurs to recommend to the Board of Education to accept the Formative license for Rutledge Hall for the amount of \$3,421 for the 2020-2021 school year.