

Executive Summary Finance Committee Meeting

DATE: May 21, 2020

TOPIC: Rosetta Stone© Foundations for K-12 School Year 2020-21 Renewal

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Recommended for:

□ Action

□ Discussion

Purpose/Background:

The Board approves all contracts.

In addition to language learning tools for adults, Rosetta Stone© has entered the K-12 market space with an interactive learning platform designed to assist newcomer students or Level I English Learner (EL) students who have very little background in English.

Rosetta Stone© Foundations for K-12 is a scalable e-learning solution designed for beginner to intermediate students in up to 24 languages to build fundamental language skills. The software is self-paced which students can access at home or school. Students develop language skills through a defined sequence by completing leveled games, activities, and stories leveled at their learning progress. Sounds, images, and text help students absorb language.

The District used its 10 subscriptions this year primarily with newcomer students who possess very limited English skills. Rosetta Stone© Foundations for K-12 has been used to more rapidly build students' basic vocabulary. The EL Department was surveyed regarding this subscription and confirmed it would be valuable to renew for its benefits to newcomer students.

District Legal Counsel has reviewed this Quote and Agreement. Counsel recommended removal of an automatic renewal clause, which the vendor eliminated.

Fiscal Impact:

\$1,800 (The District paid \$1,650 in 2019-20 with the vendor.) The price of the program will be offset by funds through the Title III Language Instruction Programs for Limited English Proficient Students (LIPEPS) grant.

Recommendation:

It is the Administrative recommendation that the Finance Committee concurs to recommend to the Board of Education to approve this Agreement from Rosetta Stone© Foundations for K-12 in the amount of \$1,800 from August 1, 2020 to July 31, 2021.