

MEETING DATE: September 21, 2021

AGENDA ITEM: Purchase of Technology Annual License and Warranty Renewals

PRESENTER: Brooks Moore, Director of Technology

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Per Board Policy CH (Local), any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$50,000 or more, regardless of whether the goods or services are competitively purchased, shall require Board approval before a transaction may take place.
- As part of the 2015 Bond Program, the District upgraded all networking equipment with Cisco hardware district wide. All necessary Cisco licenses and warranty renewals were prepaid for five years. With the expiration of the licenses and warranties coming due this year, Administration is recommending a one-year extension for all items.
 - Hardware warranty items (SmartNet) included in these renewals are network switches, routers, wireless access points, servers, and voice over IP telephones.
 - Software licensing items include network security applications (Identity Service Engine and Umbrella), voice (Flex VoIP), collaboration applications (Webex), and server virtualization (VMware).
- The District has other software applications that require an annual renewal. The cumulative total of these items exceeds \$50,000 to the preferred vendor, CDWG.
 - Microsoft Aledo ISD uses Microsoft software throughout the District on both staff and student computers and in the data center on district servers.
 - Lightspeed Content Filter All internet content is filtered through the District's Lightspeed content filter.
 - KnowBe4 All school districts are required to conduct annual cybersecurity awareness training. The District uses KnowBe4 to train staff for this yearly requirement.
- Quotes and exact cost numbers will be finalized prior to presentation of this item to you for consideration/action at the October 25th board meeting.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

The total estimated cost of these items is \$210,200 and will be paid from budgeted funds in General Fund 199.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

None, communication item only