## **Technology Department**

## Memo

**To:** Dr. Michael Robey, Superintendent

Dr David Ballard, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum

**From:** John Cavallone, Coordinator of Information Services in Technology

Date: December 3, 2012

Re: November 2012 Report

**Cc:** Board of Education

The IT department has been upgrading the HP dc5800 desktops purchased by the district around 2007. Adding 2GB of Memory at a cost of \$30 per machine and installing Windows 7 will add 2-3 years of additional life to these systems. There has been about 50 of these models that have been upgraded to date and they have been assigned to the 5-7 grade teachers and in a few classrooms.

Over the Winter break we will upgrade the Irving Lab in this manner.

## eRate Update:

For 2011 Reimbursements we received the following:

2011 eRate	Reimbursement Checks		Date	Invoice Credit	Date
Verizon	\$	12,754.31	10/11/2012	\$ 5,143.03	28-Sep-12
XO Communications					
AT&T/Illinois Bell	\$	126,765.80	11/19/2012		
AT&T/Illinois Bell	\$	413.84	11/26/2012		
Total	\$	139,933.95	- -		

We have yet to receive the \$70,000 reimbursement check from XO Communications, thought they assured us that the check will be cut this week.

As for the 2012 credits, Verizon has been applying \$3,339.00 credits monthly. As of the November Statement we have a credit balance of \$6,586.93. I am working with our eRate Consultant to have AT&T provide the monthly credits as well.

## **Old Business**

The Maintenance Department provided a estimate of \$214,000 for gas powered generators for Van Buren and 906 Walton to maintain power to the Servers and Networking in the event of prolonged ComEd outages which would affect our technology demands.