

Livonia Public School

Director of Operations

Date: October 25, 2017

To: Andrea L. Oquist, Superintendent

From: Phillip Francis, Director of Operations

Re: Science Equipment Purchase (Round 2)

I am requesting the purchase of Secondary Science Equipment be placed on the agenda for the November 6, 2017 Board of Education's Committee of the Whole Meeting. A committee of middle and high school teachers worked together for two years to create a prioritized list of science equipment to purchase for all science content areas: Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Middle School sciences. The Board has already approved an initial round of Secondary Science Equipment last spring, which the District has already purchased, received, and distributed to secondary schools. This purchase is a continuation of the original science equipment bid. Last spring we did not have complete bid coverage on many items and needed to go back out to bid in order to complete the list of requested equipment from the committee.

A bid summary has been tabulated from multiple vendors and totals a recommended purchase of \$215,141.70 from five different vendors, Frey Scientific, Parco Scientific, PASCO Scientific, VWR (Ward Science), and Fisher Scientific. This purchase does not include any technology or textbooks.

As a reminder, the committee began with a needs assessment based on what equipment they currently had and what they need in order to improve science instruction. Teachers met with vendors and created a list of desired and necessary equipment for each content area, and then teachers determined importance in order to stay within their budget.

Attachments

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C: Board of Education