ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: June 16, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: Purchase of Technology Annual License and Warranty Renewals

PRESENTER: Brooks Moore, Chief Technology Officer

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.
- The District has historically carried both hardware and software warranty agreements (SmartNet) with Cisco Systems in order to maintain a healthy network. Hardware included in these agreements are network switches, routers, wireless access points, servers, and voice over IP telephones. Software items include network security applications (Identity Service Engine and Umbrella), voice (Flex VoIP), collaboration applications (Webex), and server virtualization (VMware).
- The District also utilizes other software applications that require an annual licensing 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 datacenter on district servers.
    - GoGuardian Content Filter – All internet content is filtered through the District's GoGuardian content filter.
    - SolarWinds – All critical network equipment is monitored by SolarWinds.
    - IncidentIQ – Aledo ISD uses this application to manage all technology support requests and for managing the student Chromebook deployment.
    - ConnectWise – Remote management software used to support teacher and staff computers.
- Quotes and exact cost numbers will be finalized prior to presentation of this item to you for consideration/action at the August board meeting.

FISCAL INFORMATION:
In order to take advantage of better pricing, the Administration is investigating multi-year contracts for these items. Depending on the term of the contract, the total estimated cost will be $575,000. Funding sources will be General Fund 199, 2023 Bond Technology Funds, and 2023 Bond Safety and Security Funds.

ATTACHMENTS:
None

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:
None – Information Item