



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING REPORT

Board Meeting Date: 17-May-16 **Superintendent:** David Holmes

Administrator/Staff: Sid Hobgood

Type of Item: *Informational* *Action*

Please state your proposal briefly and clearly. What do you want the board to know, discuss, or decide?

Purchase of 3 iPad Air 2's, 64 GB, to provide students who do not have access to mobile devices that opportunity. In addition to the 3 iPad Air's, 3 Otterbox cases were purchased for protection. The iPad's will be used for video/audio recordings for a class project.

Provide history/background information on your proposal:

iPad's and Otterboxes are purchased from Best Buy Education through donorschoose.org. This website is specifically for classrooms, students, and educators. Fundraising occurs from the community through donorschoose.org.

List the advantages of your proposal:

donorschoose.org negotiates best prices with their providers and is a safe location for community members to donate. donorschoose.org is specifically a place to fundraise for classrooms. The iPads purchased will give students opportunity to collaborate, communicate, use critical thinking and be creative through the use of technology.

List possible disadvantages of your proposal:

Not enough iPads are the main disadvantage. Three iPads is a drop in the bucket, but it is a starting point. The cases will keep the iPads in good condition and iPads are renowned for the sturdiness and longevity.

List possible alternatives that could also offer a solution to your proposal. Why were they not recommended?

We were not aware of the procedures in place for such fundraising like donorschoose.org. For future fundraisers we will make sure to get Board approval before moving forward with outside community fundraisers.

Superintendent's recommendation(s):

Approve: Yes No