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**Elizabeth Janowiak** Director of Technology Geneva School District

To: Donna Oberg

From: Elizabeth Janowiak Date: March 4, 2015

Re: Portable Computers

Please submit this purchase information to the BOE for the March 9, 2015 meeting.

Over the last decade, the Fabyan Foundation has generously awarded Geneva CUSD 304 hundreds of thousands of dollars in support of innovative technology related educational programs, improvements, and upgrades. For 2015, one of the projects awarded funding by the Fabyan Foundation is the creation and implementation of a Music Recording Studio at Geneva High School.

The Music Recording Studio, similar in purpose, but on a much smaller scale, to our GHSTV studio, would offer students an opportunity to produce and mix their own music, as well as record the music performed by the other musical groups at GHS. It also would allow students the opportunity to develop the technical skills to operate the equipment necessary to produce a finished audio product in both live performance and studio recordings. Because the equipment will be portable, the studio could also serve as a benefit to other school departments by generating and producing music recordings needed across multiple curricular areas, creating audition recordings for seniors continuing in music for college acceptance, extracurricular activities, and provide an outlet for students who best express themselves through song. Because of our students' high level of interest and talent, we are excited to expand our fine arts offerings to include a Music Recording Studio at GHS.

Equipment needed for the Music Recording Studio will be purchased from Sweetwater, Inc and funded through the Fabyan Foundation Technology Grant. Total cost for this purchase is \$45,238.