



Executive Summary Finance Committee Meeting

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TOPIC: District Purchasing Update(s)

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Recommended for:

- Action
- Discussion
- Information

Purpose/Background:

This document provides the Finance Committee with an update of ongoing District renewals and/or purchases that will not require Board Approval based on criteria adopted in May 2023.

Items for Finance Committee Review:

- Novel Effect Renewal for 2023-2024
 - The Library within the Todd Hall uses The Novel Effect app as it responds to your voice with interactive music and sound effects, creating magical moments when you read aloud from children's books.
 - The District took advantage of sale pricing during the Thanksgiving break sales to renew this subscription a couple of months early.
 - \$19.00 - The District paid \$39.00 for the same services for the 22-23 school year.
- Raptor Renewal
 - The District uses the Raptor's Visitor Management System to enhance building security by checking a visitor's ID against national databases of registered sex offenders as well as a custom list of prohibited persons and the system provides temporary badges that identify the visitor's name, date, and purpose of visit.
 - \$3,300 - The District paid \$3,125 last year for the Raptor service in 5 locations.

- QuaverEd Renewal
 - The District uses QuaverEd for its Music Curriculum. After reviewing usage and discussing the product with the teaching staff, it has been determined that the District will only continue its usage at Rutledge Hall.
 - \$900 - The District paid \$2,700 last year for the usage of QuaverEd.

- AT&T Long Distance Contract Cancellation for 2023-2024
 - Over the last couple of years many changes in contracts and services with AT&T have been made. The district moved almost all telephony traffic to the newer AT&T IPFlex Circuit.
 - One contract that had resurfaced was the District's long-distance service which was auto-renewed. We were charged an annual fee because the District did not meet the minimum number of LD minutes required to take advantage of the discount. The District would never meet the minimum, because all our calls run through the IP Flex Circuit, in which all long-distance charges are included in the monthly costs.
 - The District worked with representatives at AT&T and were able to cancel the contract and be credited the correct amount, saving the District \$808.16.

- E-Replacements
 - In part of our recycling effort, the team investigates and works with a few recycling companies. This year we collected old access points, projectors, and other miscellaneous tech equipment. iPads that were older generations and in varying conditions ranging from good to mechanically broken.
 - E-Replacements Inc has collected that equipment and has presented us with a check for \$3,835 for these used devices.