



## **ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE**

**MEETING DATE:** August 18, 2025

**AGENDA ITEM:** Consider Approval of 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). These items have historically been purchased through Netsync.
- 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.
  - Peardeck - An interactive presentation tool that allows teachers to transform standard slide decks into engaging learning experiences.
  - Palo Alto Cortex - A suite of products and services designed to help the District manage our cyber security operations. It leverages AI and automation to detect, investigate, and respond to threats more effectively.
- The Board of Trustees first discussed this agenda item at the July 16, 2025 regular Board meeting.

### **FISCAL INFORMATION:**

The total cost of these items is \$453,234.91 and will be paid from 2025-26 General Fund 199, 2023 Bond Technology Funds, and 2023 Bond Safety and Security Funds.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Bid Report

### **ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:**

The Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of District technology annual licensing and warranty renewals for the 2025-2026 school year in the amount of \$453,234.91 as presented.