Consider Approval of Additional Funding for High School PDL Refresh Project and Teacher Laptops

Policy Reference: OE-10 – Instructional Program

Background Information: The Board of Education has annually approved \$6 million to support the Personalized Digital Learning (PDL) 1-1 student device initiative. Due to an increase in the high school enrollment numbers and the increase in the cost of devices, the Technology Department is requesting an additional \$3.5 million to fund the high school device refresh and the teacher laptop refresh.

On January 10, 2022, the Technology Committee approved the Dell Latitude, as the selected high school device for the 2022-23 school year. In addition, the Technology Committee approved the \$3.5 million increase to be provided from ESSER III and asked that the item be placed on a future agenda for Board approval.

<u>Purpose:</u> To approve an additional \$3.5 million for the cost of the selected high school device and the teacher laptop refresh.

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Recommended Action: It is recommended that the Board authorize the utilization of ESSER III funds in the amount of \$3.5 million to fund the purchase of the high school devices and the teacher laptop refresh.

Estimated Project Cost: \$3.5 Million

Recurring: Non-recurring: X Funding Sources: ESSER III