

## **College Station Independent School District**

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Mike Martindale, Superintendent

From:

Amy Drozd, Chief Financial Officer

Date:

January 12, 2022

Subject:

Consider the purchase of 2,000 student laptop from 2021 Bond Funds.

Agenda Item:

J-1.

## **BACKGROUND**

In November of 2021, voters approved the issuance of bonds in the total amount of \$78.125 million which included a proposition specific to the purchase of technology devices in the amount of \$4.525 million. It was communicated to both the bond planning committee as well as the voters of CSISD that a portion of these funds would be used for student devices.

Various student devices were researched by the Technology Department. It was determined that the HP ProBook 11 X360 G7-N1500 with a touchscreen was the best product for student use, balancing the educational and functional use of the device with durability.

The Technology Department solicited quotes for 2,000 HP ProBook 11 X360 G7-N1500 laptops from several vendors and received 2 viable quotes. It is recommended CSISD purchase from Avinext, the low bidder at \$898,000, or \$449 per device. This quote includes 3 years of unlimited accident protection. This purchase is through the DIR Co-op contract DIR-TSO-4159.

This purchase is prior to the February 28 scheduled receipt of the 2021 Bonds, but with the expected delivery date of March 1, payment will not be required until after the bond funds are received. The devices are expected to be deployed to campuses soon thereafter for use this school year for testing purposes.

## RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the College Station Independent School District Board of Trustees approve the purchase of 2,000 laptops from Avinext in the amount of \$898,000 through the DIR Co-op contract DIR-TSO-4159 utilizing 2021 Bond Funds.