

## Executive Summary

Topic: Microsoft Open Volume Subscription for Education Solutions Agreement

Committee Meeting Date: January 30, 2017

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Microsoft licensing can be purchased in several different ways. The Technology Department has researched each method and has arrived on leasing of licensing to be the best solution for the district. Leased licensing allows for the district to guarantee Microsoft licensing compliance as well as being assured that the new releases are covered under our agreement. Any new product updates and platform upgrades are covered as part of the software assurance plan. The district also receives several benefits such as training resources, Home Usage, extended hot fix support, student versions of Office 2016, Office365 (district email) and resources for the WCCC Computer Repair Curriculum. This method of leasing also allows the district to spread payments over the course of the agreement rather than buying perpetual licensing up front, as the district has done in the past.

Previous Microsoft licensing agreements have required districts to license each user or device. The updates in the new Microsoft Open Volume Subscription for Education Solutions allow licensing to be based on a formula based on full time, part time, non-professional employees, and server statistics. The formula is a much better option for the district as the amount of devices and users would be four times higher than our FTE figures.

The funding is a budgeted expense from the Technology Maintenance Account.

### **Recommended Motion:**

That the Board of School Directors approves the GovConnection quote for \$47,575.85 and the terms of the Microsoft Enrollment for Education Solutions Agreement for 3 years to be paid annually.