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<u>M E M O R A N D U M</u>

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

SUBJECT: Permission to Place Purchase Orders: Student Laptops

Due to a class action suit with Microsoft, the District has received a settlement in the amount of \$2,177,813. The terms of the settlement mandate that Microsoft distribute funds for the purchase of instructional technology. Ms. Wendy Spriggs, Director of Instructional Media and Technology (DIMC), has asked that the funds be used to purchase 1970 student laptops (see attached memo, and a spreadsheet noting the number of laptops each school will receive, for detailed information).

At this time we are requesting permission for DIMC to issue purchase orders, on behalf of each school, and at the prices established via direct negotiations, for laptops from Apple and Dell. The amount of the purchase orders will equal the amount of the settlement, with the laptops being shipped directly to each school.

Please feel free to contact Wendy Spriggs or me at your earliest convenience if you have any questions or concerns.

KDG/az Attachments

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