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TO: School Board Members and Superintendent

FROM: Bill Emerson, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Division

DATE: May 18, 2017

RE: Funding to continue Blackboard Connect callout services

Projected costs to continue services with Blackboard Connect for call out and email notification services for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year is \$34,960.00. This is based upon the current services agreement [\$1.25 per student x 27,968 students (May 4, 2017 enrollment count)].

Services would be continued for all of our schools and the district office. Attached is supporting documentation and renewal notice quote from Blackboard Connect Inc.

We respectfully request that \$34,960.00 be approved for this very valuable service.

Fiscal Year 2017 project number was 9080517 and totaled \$34,121.25. Fiscal Year 2018 project number will be 9080518 and total will be \$34,960.00. Increase for Fiscal Year 2018 is \$838.75.

This will be year 5 (Period 5) under the five year agreement established with Blackboard Connect in 2013 - reference RFP 13-05; purchase order 703107. A new agreement either with Blackboard or another provider will need to be negotiated before July 2018 in order to have services after fiscal year 2018.