TO: Carrie Marz (Bane) Representing Elementary School Cluster Group 8

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DATE: February 1, 2017

RE: Elementary School Cluster Group 8 Technology Services Related Items from January 25, 2017 Meeting

The following Technology Services related items were noted in the elementary school cluster group 8 meeting conducted on January 27, 2017. A response is provided for each item.

5b. Need additional information related to administrative technology updates.

The 2014 Bond includes replacing administrative technology over a 5-year replacement cycle. Each administrative device is scheduled to be replaced between the years 2015 through 2020 based on the age of the device. Because the device specifications are in a constant state of change, five years is a long time to wait for a replacement. As a result, we have been addressing administrative technology updates based on administrative and campus need. The advantage is a newer device is available earlier. The disadvantage is the 2014 Bond is only funded for one (1) replacement device. In the latter years of the 2014 Bond, to replace the device a 2nd time will require another funding source unless there are leftover 2014 Bonds funds available. Feel free to submit an iSupport service request if there is a need to replace your current administrative device(s) early, e.g. right now.

7. Smart Watches

a) *Do they follow the same guidelines as BYOT/Cell phones?* That is our assumption. It is our understanding that the Smart watch will connect to the district WiFi network through a browser just like a smartphone. Students will be required to authenticate (login with their password) to the network before access is granted. Just like a smartphone however, students may use their personal data plan and circumvent the district's WiFi network. Because the size of the smartwatch is small and inconspicuous, they may be more challenging to manage in a classroom.

b) *We need to know which guidelines to follow for kids?* It is our assumption that Student Services and Curriculum and Instruction will set the guidelines for students to follow. We can provide any level of support that is needed to develop the guidelines.

c) *What are the guidelines for taping/recording conversations and/or taking pictures of other students?* It is our assumption that Student Services will set the guidelines for students to follow.

d) *Does anyone know if it is possible for parents to listen in through these watches?* Just like a smartphone, a call could be initiated with a smart watch. We believe the capability is available for a student to call their parent so they can listen through their smart watch or smartphone. Here is a recent description of smart watches available for kids that came out in November 2016. We expect wearable technologies will continue to be more sophisticated. Our long range planning committee for the 2014 Bond anticipated that this would be the case. We will pay close attention to the capabilities of all wearable technologies as we progress through the 2014 Bond.

Let me know if any additional information is needed. Thank you for all that you do!

Respectfully,

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