

## **BOARD AGENDA ITEM**

**AUGUST 25, 2015**

### **SUBJECT:**

Renewal of emergency calling system

### **BACKGROUND:**

Schools and the district have been using an emergency and outreach calling system, BlackBoard Connect, since 2006. In recent years, the district has used and continues to use the system to broadcast emergency school closings. In addition, the majority of schools use the system for communication to parents and students regarding school events and activities on a regular basis.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:**

In accordance with procurement guidelines, in order for the school district to continue the use of BlackBoard Connect beyond the 2014-2015 school year, the Board's approval is required. The approval will allow the renewal of the emergency and outreach calling system currently in place for schools and the district for the next two years (2015-2016 and 2016-2017).

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the use of BlackBoard Connect for the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 school years.

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