KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA STATEMENT

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MEETING OF August 18, 2021	Reviewed By
Item Title:	
NEW BUSINESS Approval of Lenovo teacher laptop purchase from OET	[X] Superintendent [X] Finance [X] IT
SUBMITTED BY Katie Parrott, Business Manager	
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SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The School Board is being asked to approve the purchase of 50 Lenovo ThinkBook laptops from OETC.

ISSUE:

Board Policy governs the district's purchasing and contracting procedures. Board Policy requires Board approval for expenditures and financial obligations over \$25,000.

BACKGROUND:

The District's IT Department has developed a teacher device replacement schedule that ensures KGBSD instructional staff have access to up-to-date functional computers and software. However, the COVID-19 pandemic has significantly increased the demand for teacher devices to be deployed to more staff, as well as the replacement of outdated machines that are not compatible with the needs of some online learning and communications platforms. These are in need of replacement with up to date technology that supports the instructional programming throughout the District, as well as new machines that better meet the needs of online and virtual learning resources. OETC is a purchasing cooperative for educational technology that offers RFP-backed contracts and consortium-negotiated pricing that is complaint with procurement rules and Board purchasing policy.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the purchase of 50 Lenovo ThinkBook laptops from OETC, approximately \$783 each with 20% added for shipping.

FISCAL NOTE

EXPENDITURE AMOUNT REQUIRED \$47,000 BUDGETED* \$50,000

ATTACHMENTS:

OETC Lenovo Quote

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

"I move that the Board of Education approve the purchase of 50 Lenovo ThinkBook laptops from OETC in the amount not to exceed \$47,000."

^{*}Approval of the budget line items for the FY22 ESSER III grant pending