

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY**

**INFORMATIONAL REPORT**

**DECISION ON AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR INTERACTIVE PANELS**

**DECEMBER 21, 2020**

Background Information:

The Purchasing Department, on behalf of the Office of Technology, is requesting approval to award a contract to CDW Government, located at 75 Remittance Drive, Suite 1515, Chicago, IL 60675, in the amount of \$301,078.70 for the purchase of interactive panel displays and related hardware for various locations throughout the district.

Discussion:

The Office of Technology is requesting this acquisition to furnish one hundred thirty (130) interactive panels and the related hardware required for installation. The panels will be installed at various locations throughout the district to replace end of life whiteboards. These panels replace the traditional projector and whiteboard which have become antiquated.

The contracting vehicle for this procurement is piggybacking a contract established by the University of Maryland MEEC (Maryland Education Enterprise Consortium) IT contract #UMD 972016, awarded to CDW Government. The pricing model for this agreement reflects discounts extended to Maryland school districts and other public education agencies.

Funding sources for this project are as follows: \$297,756 provided by Harford County Government, through their allocation of the Treasury Departments Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) and the remaining balance of \$2,244 from the FY21 Operating budget.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education accept the recommendation made by the Purchasing Department and award the contract to CDW Government in the amount of \$301,078.70.

The MEEC contract is effective through March 14, 2023, with the option to be renewed for one (1) additional, three (3) year term, which will extend the contract through March 14, 2026.