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Board of Education Approves Purchase of LightStrike UV Disinfection Robots

At a special meeting of the Board of Education on Tuesday, June 23, 2020, the Board approved the purchase of six (6) LightStrike UV Disinfection Robots, which are “the first disinfection technology proven to kill SARS CoV-2 (COVID-19) in 2 minutes! The LightStrike Robot has been validated against live (not surrogate) SARS-CoV-2 in the biosafety level 4 (BSL-4) containment laboratory at Texas Biomedical Research Institute.” (go.xenex.com/FAQ-xenex.html) . These robots have also been shown to be effective against Ebola, Anthrax, and other potentially lethal infectious agents.

The Board determined that this purchase was a proactive decision to help in the daily cleaning and disinfecting of our facilities for the health and safety of our students and staff. No classroom-direct general funds (Operational) will be used for the purchase. Due to technical issues in the District’s software change (from BoardBook to BoardBook Premier) the quote for the purchase, although listed on the agenda, along with the statement of product capability, was not included in the original posting with the Board’s agenda. Once the error came to our attention, the quote was posted at 1:05 p.m. on July 2, 2020 and can be found here: (<https://meetings.boardbook.org/Public/Agenda/801?meeting=327502>). We continue to work through several challenges with the conversion, and hope to have those issues resolved by August 1, 2020.

The District apologizes publicly for this omission and any inconvenience this may have caused. Please be assured that the District continues to research best practices and solutions that will help us positively and safely reopen our schools and deal with the current pandemic situation.