## **Additional Information**

October 11, 2022 Board Meeting

The following additional information was provided regarding the October 11 Board meeting agenda:

## Item 3.a, Purchase Order Listing:

1. <u>P0153918</u>: What's this settlement regarding? This PO was to settle a case related to a probationary dismissal. \$10,000 was paid by the District and \$20,000 was paid by ASCIP.

## Item 3.f: Fullerton College Robotic System Purchase:

- 1. Ghost Robotics makes a flying drone, but it appears that Boston Dynamics only has "Spot" (a robot quadruped) and "Stretch" (a robotic arm). What is the system from BD that's being purchased, and how does that fit into a program that only has classes addressing aerial vehicles. Fullerton College is expanding their development of courses and training on the use of autonomous systems for interior scanning and inspection. The Spot quadruped will allow the College to train students on new technology used for scanning and inspection as it will be fitted with a LiDAR scanner mounted on its back. It also fits with drones (aerial) for training on aerial scanning. The data from the LiDAR scanner on the Spot quadruped can combine with the data from the drones to create full 3D models (interior and exterior) for inspections. The drone technology program at Fullerton encompasses all types of drones (autonomous systems), which includes aerial, terrestrial, and maritime.
- 2. A Ghost Robotics system is being rejected because it's "geared toward military and defense use" while the BD system is "specifically for education." Why wouldn't it be better for students to be trained on a system that more closely reflects what they might encounter when they're working in industry? Boston Dynamics Spot is widely used and accessible to various industries that students can and will eventually work for. Ghost Robotics sells primarily for defense and federal agencies and is not as widely accessible in commercial industries. Boston Dynamics has a department that works directly with colleges and universities for support and pricing, where Ghost does not.
- 3. Is the funding from the campus general funds allocation? Yes.

## Item 3.n, Mongoose Cadence Texting Platform Contract:

 Since Fullerton and Cypress Colleges already are using this software, why are we being charged additional "onboarding" and "SSO" fees for 2022/23 (with a 1/3 discount)? Shouldn't those already be 100% paid? Fullerton College previously paid the Mongoose Cadence contract through a subscription service; there was not an actual contract. In order to formalize the services, a contract was required. Staff is still negotiating contract language.

The Districtwide agreement will bring all locations under one agreement. The on-boarding and single sign on fees are to build out the enterprise configuration. Staff is also working to frontload the credit for the amount paid for Fullerton College and the agreement will be adjusted accordingly, once finalized.