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Metropolitan  
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TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
THROUGH: Franklin E. White  
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SUBJECT: **Status of Board Request: Donations of Computer Equipment**

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This is in response to the Board's request to consider the donation of outmoded computer equipment to the School District. In particular, the reference was made to the donation of the old mainframe computers once the new computer system was installed at the new headquarters facility.

Items which have any remaining value cannot be summarily donated to another entity, unless they are being used for a transit related purpose. In the past, however, the Board has made donations of surplus agency owned property for other purposes. One such example is the donation of a portion of a bus to the local Children's Museums.

Staff is preparing a policy on the donations of equipment for consideration by the Board. Specifically, the policy will consider the purposes served by the donation, donations which result in cost avoidances, competing interests of other organizations, and total obsolescence of the equipment being considered.

We expect to bring a policy for review to the Board in April, 1995.