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To: Board of Education Members  
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Mimio training is underway. Teachers have their units in hand are excited to get started.

We have an agreement with Aesop – automated sub calling system – which with a targeted start date of this coming February. We hope to have everyone trained and ready to hit the ground running for the 10-11 school year.

I have reached out to two companies regarding electronic payment options for parents. We will talk with RevTrak - <http://www.revtrak.com> - a service that many schools use and are very happy with. I heard from another district using Illinois e-Pay <https://www.illinoisepay.com> for online fee payments. I'm anxious to find out more about this option, as it may be more cost effective.

Several years ago, we purchased 500 licenses of Microsoft Office 2004. When we rolled that version out, there were major issues when using it with our managed network accounts for students. After much persistence and several trials of tweaks and scripts, Microsoft has agreed to give us the upgrade to 2008 for free. They have finally addressed some of those issues and our trials confirm that the problem seems to be solved. I am currently working with CDW to get that transaction complete. That is very good news as we only budgeted for 250 licenses in the stimulus grant. After the 500 licenses are released, we will be the proud owners of 750 Microsoft 2008 licenses! This is great news as a single license carries a price tag of \$47.