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Dear County Board of Education members,

The board agenda contains an open-ended item (item # 19) related to your discussion and potential action on board meeting recording and accessibility. Should you find it helpful, I have listed some possible considerations for your discussion:

1. County Board of Education meetings have recently shifted from being online to being in person. How might having recorded board meetings be beneficial as the board conducts its meetings in public?
2. What are some options for consideration?
  - Board agendas are online
  - Board minutes are online
  - Board presentations and handouts are online/made available to the public
  - Audio recordings
  - Video recordings
  - Online audio postings
  - Online video postings
  - Livestreaming (i.e., public views while board meeting occurs)
  - Other?
3. What might be expected and unexpected outcomes of each of the options above?
4. What logistics are required for implementation of each option (staff time and equipment, for example)?

My staff and I have been working on the background for number 4, above, as well as conducting a scan of other county offices and districts' practices. The information continues to evolve, and I will bring information with me to the board meeting should it be helpful for your discussion.

Sincerely,

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