

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends that the Board of Trustees approves the contract renewal for a network backup system from Unique Digital, Inc. for the Technology Services Department.

BACKGROUND

This contract provides the purchase of network backup systems to replace aging systems, which will offer greater speed and capacity than the current system.

Unique Digital has a contract through the DIR cooperative contracts program to provide Dell-branded hardware and software (Contract Number DIR-TSO-3763). It complies with the competitive procurement requirements outlined in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted under Section 791.011 of the Texas Government Code. Reference Number (REF) 4415 was issued to track the spend volume for the purchase of backup systems.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

This purchase includes hardware testing, rack and stack, setup and configuration, agent deployment, and verification of successful backups. It also has a backup configuration for up to 100 virtual servers and/or up-to five physical servers and five years of support.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

This purchasing request is for spend authorization of \$500,000, which is budgeted in the Technology Services Departments' FY22 operating budget.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The contract term is October 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022

RESOURCE PERSONNEL

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