Purchase Request #6 Regular Board Meeting June 22, 2021 Consideration of Approval of Additional Funds for Video Conferencing Systems

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approves the expenditure of additional funds to purchase video conferencing systems from Taurus Technologies for the District.

BACKGROUND

This contract provides video conferencing systems, technology solutions, products, and services for new and existing campuses.

Reference number (REF) 4074 was issued to track the volume of spend for video conferencing systems. Taurus Technologies has a contract through The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) cooperative contracts program to provide technology solutions products and services (Contract Number 200105). This contract 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

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

These additional funds are needed to purchase and install video conferencing systems and interactive presentation systems at the Frisco Campus, the Dental Hygiene area at the McKinney Campus, and various departments throughout the District. Audio/visual and video conferencing technology enhance instruction, improve communications, and aid in professional presentations and streaming of Board meetings.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

The Board has approved a total spend authorization of \$2,600,000. This purchasing request is for spend authorization for an additional \$200,000, which is budgeted in various Departments' FY21 operating budgets and the 2017 CIP technology budget.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The contract term is September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021.

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