9C. Action Date: December 18, 2008

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF ATTORNEY CONTINGENCY CONTRACT

BOARD GOAL: All systems in the Keller Independent School District will be

effective, efficient, and accountable in support of the district's

mission.

FISCAL NOTE: None.

## **Background Information:**

- The District is currently the plaintiff in a lawsuit entitled Keller ISD v. Aramark Management Services, LP et al., Cause No. 067 228693 08, pending in the 67<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court in Tarrant County.
- Mr. Tom Myers of Brackett & Ellis is currently representing the District in this matter.
  Mr. Myers charges the District for his work on an hourly basis.
- The law firm of Laird & Cummings has expressed a desire to represent the District in this litigation on a contingent fee basis, as is described in the agreement presented for your consideration.

## **Administrative Considerations:**

 The Administration believes it is in the best interest of the District to enter into the Contingent Fee Agreement presented.

The administration recommends that the Board approve the Contingent Fee Agreement with Laird & Cummings as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Amanda Bigbee General Counsel