

Purchase Request #4
Regular Board Meeting April 26, 2016
Consideration of Approval of Contract for
Real-Time Hardware and Software Support

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve a contract to purchase real-time hardware and software support from EST Group LLC for the District.

BACKGROUND

Reference Number (REF) 3962, was issued to track the volume of spend for real-time hardware and software support for the District to provide support for the District's Dell Compellent branded storage area network systems located at Courtyard Center and Central Park Campus and NetVault backup system located at Preston Ridge Campus.

EST Group has a contract through the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR) cooperative contracts program to provide Dell computers, laptops, tablets, servers, printers, peripherals and other technology products and services, Contract Number DIR-SDD-1951, and is in compliance with the competitive procurement requirements set forth in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted through Section 791.011 of the Texas Government Code.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

The Dell Compellent storage area network is a large array of high performance disk drives that house the data for all of the District's servers and data file locations such as H, J and I drive. The NetVault disk backup system located at the Preston Ridge campus backs up and archives all the data located on the Dell Compellent systems. In conjunction, these two systems provide the District with the electronic resources needed to complete daily routines and provide instruction with secure backups in case of loss or failure.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

The five (5) year estimated expenditure is \$325,000.00. This expenditure is funded by the ATNS department's 2015-2016 operating budget and subsequent year's budget, subject to Board approval.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The term of contract will be five (5) years beginning April 27, 2016 through August 31, 2017 under the current cooperative contract, subject to future renewals.

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