

Purchase Request #12
Regular Board Meeting March 22, 2016
Consideration of Approval of Additional Funds for Purchase
of Equipment and Supplies for the District's Science Labs

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve the expenditure of additional funds for the purchase of equipment and supplies from VWR International, LLC for the Mathematics and Natural Sciences department.

BACKGROUND

This request will increase our current annual contract to cover the additional cost of opening six new science labs at the Central Park Campus.

VWR International, LLC has a contract through Educational & Institutional (E&I) Cooperative Services program to provide science lab equipment and supplies, Reference 2137, and is in compliance with the competitive procurement requirements set forth in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted under Section 791.011 of the Texas Government Code.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

The items being purchased are for the purpose of equipping six new science laboratories currently under construction at CPC. The list of items needed include the following: cellular, anatomical & structural models; scientific instruments, appliances & other apparatus; laboratory safety equipment and furniture. All items are required to support the laboratory curriculum of the various science courses currently offered district-wide.

If these items are purchased, the new science laboratories will be adequately equipped and CPC will have the capability of expanding its natural science course offerings.

The equipment being purchased is for the Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science and Geology departments at CPC.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

In May 2015, the Board approved an estimated expenditure of \$63,000.00 for equipment and supplies. This request would increase the total amount approved by \$128,000.00 to a total of \$191,000.00. This expenditure will be funded by the Building Fund, subject to Board approval.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The initial contract term is May 28, 2015 through May 27, 2016.

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