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Date of Board Meeting: November 21, 2017 Date of This Proposal: November 7, 2017

SUBJECT (item as it will appear on agenda):

2018 Kids' College Facilities Rental Agreement with FBISD

RECOMMENDATION: Allow a rental facility agreement with Fort Bend Independent School District for the 2018 Kids' College summer program, offered through the Wharton County Junior College Continuing Education Department.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE: The Wharton County Junior College (WCJC) Continuing Education Department seeks approval to rent Ann McCormick Sullivan Elementary School, from the Fort Bend Independent School District (FBISD) for the delivery of the Kids' College program during summer 2018. WCJC has offered Kids' College in Sugar Land for over 15 years and has an established relationship with FBISD for facility rental. The rental agreement includes the cost of space, utilities, and custodial services. On average, Kids' College captures 2,500 enrollments per summer in a variety of short courses designed to meet the needs and interests of students in Kindergarten through Tenth grade. The location and makeup of facilities under consideration for the summer rental agreement are paramount to program success. Benefits include: many Kids' College instructor are FBISD teachers; enrollment includes many returning students each summer; a school facility is designed to meet the needs of student drop-off/pick-up, lunchtime, multiple classes with varying needs, etc.; and an established working relationship with school and district staff and leadership.

Estimated Cost and Budgetary Support (how will this be paid for?): \$82,000 to be drawn from the FY2018 Kids' College facilities rental budget. Kids' College covers the cost of rental expenses through tuition collected by program participants.

RESOURCE PERSON(S) [name(s) and title(s)]: Alice Atkins, Director of Continuing Education

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