# ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve the expenditure of additional funds for the purchase of Cisco equipment and maintenance from Flair Data Systems, TFE Connect and SHI Government Solutions for the District.

# BACKGROUND

Flair Data Systems, SHI Government Solutions and TFE Connect have contracts through the DIR cooperative purchasing program to provide Cisco equipment and maintenance, number DIR-TSO-2542, 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. Tracking of spend volume is accomplished through the Purchasing Department's eProcurement system. The system is set to automatically notify the contract owner when 85% of the approved expenditure is reached, which triggers the contract owner to analyze current and future spend.

# IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

This equipment provides the District with connectivity to internal servers and software, external internet connectivity and telephone service. Total of request for additional funds is \$514,000.00. Included in this request are funds for network equipment at:

- Public Safety Training Center \$339,000.00
- Rockwall Center \$125,000.00
- Miscellaneous purchase, replacements and upgrades District-wide \$50,000.00

# **BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)**

The Board approved the original contract in February 2017, for a total amount of \$750,000.00. This purchasing request is for spend authorization for an additional \$514,000.00 which is budgeted in the District's Telecommunications 2017-2018 operating budget subject to Board approval for the products and services described and in accordance with Board Policy CF (Local) and Texas Education Code Section 44.031.

# MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The term of contract is March 15, 2017 through August 31, 2018.

# RESOURCE PERSONNEL

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