



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Consideration for Approval of award of RFP 2008-077 Reading Intervention Program

SUBMITTED BY: Cordelia Flores Jackson **OF:** Purchasing Department

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: _____ October 23, 2008

RECOMMENDATION:

Administration will provide a recommendation to the Board of Trustees to contract with the successful Reading Intervention Program provider on the date of the special called board meeting. A committee comprised of Curriculum & Instruction and Campus staff as well as Business & Finance and Student Support Services administrators met to evaluate all proposals on September 26 and October 7, 2008. Subsequently, the committee entertained product presentations by all six proposers on October 10, 2008. The committee then selected a potential successful proposer in order to further verify and evaluate the effectiveness of the considered proposed solution, and visited two school districts already utilizing the considered product at their campuses in a similar fashion. The school districts that were visited were McAllen ISD and Pharr-San Juan-Alamo (PSJA) ISD. A final recommendation will be provided based on the findings and results of the evaluation process used by the committee.

RATIONALE:

The District's Curriculum and Instruction will implement a lexile-based reading intervention program that will service the District's middle school campuses, specifically for at-risk 6th and 7th grade students. This program will help to improve students whose reading achievement is below the proficient level.

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

To be funded from Title I and Accelerated Reading Initiative Grant funds

BOARD POLICY REFERENCE AND COMPLIANCE:

CH Local
CH Legal

BOARD APPROVAL
AWARDING OF BIDS/PROPOSALS
OCTOBER 23, 2008

RFP NO. 2008-077 READING INTERVENTION PROGRAM

RECOMMENDATION:

REQUESTING APPROVAL TO PURCHASE FROM THE BEST BIDDER(S)/ OFFER(S) MEETING SPECIFICATIONS AS FOLLOWS:

RECOMENDED VENDOR:

RECOMMENDATION WILL BE PROVIDED AT SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MEETING ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2008

ADMINISTRATION DISTRIBUTED TWELVE (12) PROPOSALS AND ADVERTISED ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2008 AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2008. SIX (6) PROPOSALS WERE RECEIVED ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2008 @ 3:00 P.M. AT THE USD SERVICE CENTER PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

BUDGET INFORMATION:

TITLE I and ACCELERATED READING INITIATIVE GRANT FUNDS

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