

## **Board Action Required X**

No Action Required

To: Coppell ISD Board of Trustees

From: Sid Grant Date: July 22, 2013

cc: Dr. Jeff Turner, Kelly Penny, Sam Farsaii, Denise Sullivan

## Re: LobbyGuard Visitor Badge System Upgrade

Campus safety enhancements and upgrades were a significant portion of the 2013 bond election. A portion of those dollars was allotted to the upgrade of our visitor management system (e.g. LobbyGuard Kiosks). The original LobbyGuard kiosks were installed at our 14 campuses (excluding Victory Place @ Coppell) in 2009 as part of the 2009 bond election. As with most technology, the hardware and software capabilities have expanded greatly since installation. Plus, our existing kiosk hardware is beginning to experience downtime and other issues given four years of continuous use.

The new kiosks have much faster drivers' license scanning capabilities (e.g. 1 second compared to 7-10 seconds with existing hardware), are fully WiFi and Bluetooth enabled, thus are fully portable around the campus, and are much faster in retrieving the background information and ultimately printing the visitor badge with photo. As a reminder, every time a visitor scans his or her key-tag or driver's license, the system completes a national "sex offender" background check. If there is a positive match, key personnel on the campus are immediately notified via text messages and emails.

The upgraded system is \$1,745 less cost per unit than the ones purchased in 2009, and includes one year of hardware and software maintenance. The total cost per unit is \$5,455.00, or a total of \$76,370.00 for all 14 units. We will wait a few months before purchasing the unit for the new elementary school.

The Interlocal Contract purchasing method as provided in the Texas Education Code 44.031 will be used to make this purchase through the TASB BuyBoard, and 2013 bond sale proceeds will be used to pay for this purchase. The vendor is Pitney Bowes. They will have an example of the upgraded unit available at the Board meeting.

**Recommendation:** That the Coppell ISD Board of Trustees approve the purchase of 14

LobbyGuard units at a total cost of \$76,370.00.