

Action Sheet

MEETING DATE:

March 25, 2020

AGENDA ITEM:

Discuss and consider approval of retiring K-9 Apollo on June 1, 2020; giving ownership of Apollo to Officer Timmy Cowart in accords with Galveston ISD-PD Order 58.00, effective May 2018, section VII- Retirement or Replacement of Canine; and purchasing a new District Canine

Canine Apollo has been with the Galveston ISD Police Department since April 27, 2015, and is recommended for retirement on June 1, 2020, due to a medical condition "Arthritic". Please refer to medical assessment and evaluation by Dr. Dan Osborne, DVM with Galveston Veterinary Clinic, located at 2108 61st, Galveston, Texas 77551

The Galveston ISD Police K-9 program is an integral part of the on-going efforts to deter drug dealers in and around schools, substance possession/abuse, drug presentations, positive interaction with our students and a big deterrent by appearance. The GISD Police Department has already invested in the K-9 Unit Division by purchasing a specialty K-9 police vehicle, K-9 handler training/certification training, kennel and other initial start-up necessities. Already owning these tools will eliminate additional expenses and again put the investment back to work for Galveston ISD, the community and students. This office has the funds to purchase the Canine. I'm recommending that the district purchase the new district canine from "World Wide Canine", who has a successful history working with law enforcement agencies and has built a positive reputation with strong reviews and recommendations.

Houston K-9 Academy – Houston, TX - Yasmin Stanze – Phone 281-841-3579 – Quote for 1 female Belgian Malinois, (age 8 months to 18 months) trained in obedience & narcotics detection. (Four major narcotics)

Price: \$7000.00 which includes: Handler & canine certification and training.

Worldwide Canine – Spring, TX - Jessica Park – Phone 830-885-5948 – Quote for 1 female Belgian Malinois, (age 8 months to 18 months) trained in obedience & narcotics detection. (Four major narcotics)

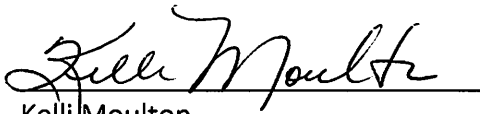
Price: \$8,000.00 which includes: Price includes Handler & Canine certification, lodging and training.

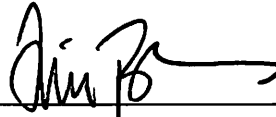
Pace Centers Canine Training – Liberty Hill, TX - Daniel – Phone 512-663-0198 - Quote for 1 female Belgian Malinois, (age 8 months to 18 months) trained in obedience & narcotics detection. (Four major narcotics)

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RECOMMENDATION:

I move that the Board of Trustees approve the retiring K-9 Apollo on June 1, 2020; giving ownership of Apollo to Officer Timmy Cowart in accords with Galveston ISD-PD Order 58.00, effective May 2018, section VII-Retirement or Replacement of Canine; and purchasing a new District Canine


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