

## MEETING DATE: March 18, 2013

# AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of Architect Contract for Construction at Aledo Learning Center and Aledo High School Front Vestibule

## **PRESENTER:** Dan Manning

ALIGNS TO BOARD PRIORITY(S): FINANCIAL/FACILITIES- the District shall exhibit excellence in financial and facility planning, management, and stewardship.

#### **Background Information:**

- As I presented earlier this evening and in previous reports, before we can bid the pricing for the possible construction projects at Aledo Learning Center and Aledo HS, by law we must first select an architect for the District.
- After hiring an architect, we can begin the formal process of selecting a design from the architect that best suits our needs and goals for these projects including project costs.
- We must select and award an architect's contract on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualifications to perform the services for a fair and reasonable price. AND- the selection of an architect must take place before any project can move forward.
- VLK has done excellent work for us on multiple projects in the last few years, and because they had built the original part of the Aledo Learning Center, it makes sense to use them for these projects as well.
- The architect's contract is a standard AIA (American Institute of Architects) contract with a few revisions suggested by the school district's attorney, Tom Myers. The architect fees for these projects are listed on page 11-12 of the attached contract. The fees are 6% of the cost of the project.

#### Administrative Considerations:

 Hiring VLK allows us to formally begin the process of planning the construction of these projects.

# FISCAL NOTE: The fees for the architect's services will be paid through our remaining 2008 bond funds.

Administrative Recommendation: Administration Recommends hiring VLK as our architect for the proposed projects at the Aledo Learning Center and Aledo HS vestibule.