## **Action Sheet**

**MEETING DATE:** June 26, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: Discuss and consider the approval of the purchase of Dell Desktops for CTE programs

Our current computer labs are equipped with ageing systems that can no longer support the advanced software and applications essential for modern CTE curricula. These outdated computers result in frequent technical issues, leading to significant downtime that disrupts learning and diminishes the overall educational experience. By replacing these old systems with new, reliable Dell desktops, we ensure that our students have access to the latest technology, enabling them to develop the skills and competencies required in today's competitive job market. Furthermore, newer computers will provide faster processing speeds and better graphics capabilities, enhancing the learning environment for subjects like graphic design, computer programming, and digital media production.

Upgrading our computer labs will also align with our long-term strategic goals of integrating cutting-edge technology into our educational infrastructure. This investment will not only improve the current state of our computer labs but will also in the future proof our institution against rapid technological advancements. Dell desktops are known for their durability and robust performance, ensuring that our investment remains viable for years to come. Additionally, having standardized, high-quality equipment across our labs will streamline maintenance and support, reducing long-term operational costs. By providing our students and faculty with the best possible tools, we demonstrate a commitment to excellence in education, ultimately leading to better student outcomes and stronger community ties.

Total Amount: 29 Desktop Computers @ \$60,000 X 2 Classroom Sets = \$120,000

Purchasing Contract #: Contract Name Texas Department of Information Resources (TX DIR)

Contract Code C000000006841 Customer Agreement # TX DIR-TSO-3763

Funding Source: General, Moody Grant GCC, ESSER III

RECOMMENDATION: I move that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of Dell desktop computers in an amount not to exceed \$120,000, as presented.

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