

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approves the expenditure of additional funds for the purchase of information services from EBSCO Information Services and GOBI Library Solutions for the District.

BACKGROUND

The contracts with EBSCO and GOBI provide information services at current and new libraries for the District. The estimated cost of additional services needed for new campus libraries' start-up will cause the contract expenditures to exceed the previously approved spend authorization.

EBSCO's contract, reference number 3576, provides research databases, e-journals, magazine subscriptions, and e-book services. GOBI's contract, reference number 3842-2021, provides printed books and e-books.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

These additional funds will provide information services at all District Libraries to help students complete classroom assignments, lab assignments, and various other projects.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

The Board has approved a total spend authorization of \$535,750. This purchasing request is for spend authorization for an additional \$200,000, which is budgeted in various Departments' FY21 operating budgets.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The contract term is one (1) year beginning September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021.

RESOURCE PERSONNEL

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