

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of Illinois

APR 4 2002

COUNTY OF COOK
AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

BLACKBOARD INTEGRATED SINGLE-SERVER LICENSE AGREEMENT
FOR ALL COLLEGES

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that in Board Report 22252, dated October 5, 2000, the Board approved a license Agreement for access by City Colleges of Chicago to Blackboard's single-server Internet course management system, hosted by Blackboard, Inc. of Washington, D.C. and

that Blackboard is a web-based publishing system specifically designed to assist faculty in creating online communities to support classes and enhance the learning experiences of students; for example Blackboard enables faculty to:

- Post syllabi to the web;
- Add information about their course, such as office hours and names of teaching assistants;
- Add hyperlinks to external web sites;
- Add documents for students to download;
- Create e-mail list serve for students
- Hold online chats for their classes; and
- Administer online tests and exams;

that Blackboard, Inc. has submitted a proposal to extend the Blackboard license throughout the District to each of our seven colleges and provide hosting services; and

that OIT staff has researched Blackboard products, similar software systems, and Blackboard's proposal and has determined that Blackboard's software product and its proposal are reasonable and acceptable; OIT staff recommends approval of the integrated single-server Blackboard license agreement for the period of April 2002 through April 2003; and

that this software license is exempt from the District's competitive bidding requirements.

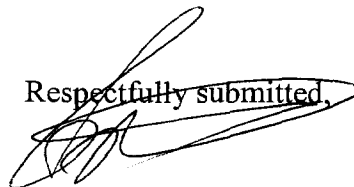
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RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees approves the License Agreement for access to the Blackboard software, technical support and training services for our seven colleges, for a cost not to exceed \$43,200, for the period of April 2002 through April 2003; and authorizes the Chairman to execute said License Agreement on behalf of the Board.

FINANCE: \$43,200 – Educational Fund

Respectfully submitted,



Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

April 4, 2002