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

LONG DISTANCE PHONE SERVICES
ALL COLLEGES AND DISTRICT OFFICE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that staff prepared and issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) in order to establish a district wide vendor for long distance phone service for a three-year period, with an option to renew for an additional two years; the following firms responded to the RFP: AT&T, Chicago, Qwest, Rosemont, IL and Jastacomm, Las Vegas, NV (reseller); and

that the proposals from these firms were evaluated in OIT according to the criteria outlined in the RFP: competitiveness of cost proposals for long distance rates, professional qualifications and experience with other large contracts, and quality and responsiveness of the proposals to the requirements outlined in the scope of services of the RFP: Cost effectiveness, reliability of service, up-time statistics, billing issues, etc.; and

that based on the evaluation criteria, the proposal from Qwest is recommended for approval; the firm has considerable experience and is also has the lowest bids (per minute) for interstate (\$.05) and international calls (\$.07); and

that this proposal is in compliance with the District's M/WBE requirements.

THE CHANCELLOR


RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees authorize the Chairman to enter into a contract with Qwest Communications Corp., Rosemont, IL (Illinois Regional Office) for the purchase of long distance phone services for the District for three years covering the estimated period of February 1, 2003 through January 31, 2006, with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods.

FINANCIAL

As Needed - Educational Fund


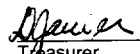
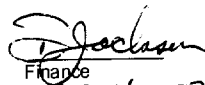
Respectfully submitted:


Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

December 6, 2002

COLLEGE REVIEW: _____ REQ# _____ (dates, rules, contract)
 President *revised version*

CENTRAL OFFICE REVIEWS & DATES SIGNED:

 Purchasing Date <u>11-25-02</u>	 Treasurer	_____ Legal	_____ Board Office
_____ Admin. Svcs. Date _____	_____ Academic Aff.	_____ HR	 Finance <u>25-Nov-02</u>
OIT _____	Date _____		