

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

Medical Education Development Services (MEDS), Inc.
Practical Nursing Program
Wilbur Wright College

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that there is a need for the 2006-2007 school year to provide a new and improved version of the review programs to prepare our nursing students to take the NCLEX-PN state board examination. This is to replace the existing Computer Assisted Instruction software that is only accessible from inside the school. Medical Education Development Services (MEDS), Inc., will provide Publishing Software and Licenses for *Learning System PN* and *Nurse Logic*, two on-line sites accessible to our students from any connected computer. This will give students the opportunity to spend more time going over the review materials. Since the NCLEX-PN state board exams are computerized, this type of review will provide the students with adequate preparation with computerized materials which are up-to-date and include sample test questions which not only reflect current "best practice" but also mirror the present NCLEX-PN style of questions.

that Wright College proposes to utilize the Meds software as pilot program to determine if this software tutorial will assist the students in improving their board test scores and if this can be recommended to all the nursing programs; and

that MEDS will provide the *Learning System PN* and *Nurse Logic* at a cost not to exceed \$16,000 (approximately \$8,000 per semester) for school year 2006-2007, and will impact at least 132 students during the fall semester and approximately 130-135 students during the spring semester.

this purchase of software is exempt from competitive procurement since the software is available from a sole source entity; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced sole source software and licenses from Medical Education Development Services and since the sole source excludes MBE and WBE opportunities, it is recommended that a waiver from compliance with the Board approved Participation Plan be granted.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS that the Board of Trustees authorize the Chairman to enter into a software license agreement with Medical Education Development Services (MEDS), Inc., 7901 Sandy Spring Road, Suite 203, Laurel, Maryland, for Publishing Software and Licenses for *Learning System PN* and *Nurse Logic* at Wright College for school year 2006-2007 at a cost not to exceed \$16,000.

FINANCIAL Not to exceed \$16,000.00 – Educational Fund 00003-7000450-00028-12121-000000-544200

Respectfully Submitted,

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor