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ADOPTED - BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
JULY 17, 2007

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

ACT TESTING
ALL COLLEGES

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that City Colleges plans to use two forms of assessment from ACT over the course of Fiscal Year 2008: 1) COMPASS computer-adaptive testing for credit student placement and ability-to-benefit, and 2) ASSET paper-and-pencil testing for credit student placement and ability-to-benefit in those situations in which computer-based testing is not appropriate; and

that COMPASS testing will cost \$450/site license for each of the eight sites (the seven colleges plus Dawson), plus a cost of \$1.10 per unit, with the average student using 3.4 units, and the ASSET will also cost an annual \$450/site license for each of the eight sites, plus \$2.95 per student answer booklet when purchased via ACT, and \$1.10 per unit, when purchased through the Illinois ACT COMPASS/ESL buying consortium sponsored by South Suburban College.

that due to an increase in the use of COMPASS/ESL administration units for placement, internet, and exit testing, there is a need to purchase 150,000 units for distribution to the seven colleges and Dawson Tech with a total cost of \$172,200; and

that the District acknowledges and discloses that the Executive Vice Chancellor is a active member of the ACT Educational advisory Committee; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced ACT forms of testing and student placement, and recommends that a waiver from compliance with the Board approved Participation Plan be granted.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees approve the issuance of a purchase order to South Suburban College to purchase both forms of testing services to all colleges and Dawson Tech from July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008 at a total cost of \$ 172,200 through the ACT Buying Consortium Buying Project sponsored by South Suburban College.

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\$172,200 Education Fund -00003-0000117-00029-01000-541900

Respectfully submitted

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Chancellor