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**ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508**  
**MAY 3, 2007**

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

AMEND THE AGREEMENT WITH  
BLACKBOARD INC.  
FOR SOFTWARE LICENSES AND HOSTING SERVICES  
ALL COLLEGES  
(Amend Board Report 27413, dated June 8, 2006)

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that in Board Report 27413, dated June 8, 2006, the Board approved a license agreement for district-wide access to Blackboard's single-server Internet course management system with hosting services by Blackboard Inc.; 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 courses, such as office hours and names of teaching assistants;
- Add hyperlinks to external web sites;
- Add documents for students to download;
- Create e-mail listservs for their students;
- Hold online chats for their classes;
- Administer online tests and exams; and

that Blackboard, Inc. has submitted a proposal to provide hosting services and extend the Blackboard license including maintenance and support for the period of July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 for a cost not to exceed \$228,349.00; and

that OIT staff has determined that Blackboard's software product and its proposal are reasonable and acceptable, and recommends approval of the Blackboard license agreement for the period indicated above; and

this software license is exempt from the District's competitive bidding requirements; and

that the expenditure for these services is funded through the Office of Information Technology FY08 Operational budget; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced license renewal and has determined that since this purchase is a continuation of a previously approved license, it is recommended that a waiver from compliance from the Board approved Participation Plan be granted.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees approve the amendment of the agreement with Blackboard Inc. for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 for hosting services and the Blackboard license including support and maintenance in a total amount not to exceed \$228,349.00 and authorizes the Chairman of the Board to execute any documents pertaining to this amendment.

FINANCE: FY08 \$228,349.00 – Education Fund – 00003-0023001-10000-00000-0000000-536100

Respectfully submitted:

Wayne D. Watson  
Chancellor

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