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

Membership Member Card Premium Program WYCC-TV20

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that there is a need to continue to purchase Member Card packages for membership promotions for WYCC-TV20 to be used for membership solicitations to prospective members of WYCC-TV; and

that in December 2002 an agreement with Member Benefits, Inc. was executed for under \$10,000 for a two year period to provide the membership card program and every year since that time; and

that Member Benefits, Inc. is a consortium of more than 170 stations representing 1.5 million members sharing more than 11,000 valuable benefits nationwide; and

that Member Benefits, Inc., is the sole source provider of a full-service nationwide member benefits program for public broadcasting stations; and

that approval is requested to purchase a minimum of 3,000 full-service benefits packages in the amount of \$3.75 per package ordered at a total estimated cost of \$11,750 which includes \$500 in shipping charges; and

that this sole source purchase is exempt from the District's competitive bidding procedures; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above agreement with Membership Benefits, Inc, and, as there is very little opportunity to subcontract to certified M/WBE firms for this direct service outside of the consortium, it is recommending a waiver from compliance with the Board Approved Participation plan.

THE CHANCELLOR

- RECOMMENDS that the Board of Trustees authorize the Chairman to enter into an agreement with Member Benefits, Inc., in an amount not-to-exceed \$11,750 for participation in its Member Card program and delivery of Member Card packages to WYCC-TV20 from July 14, 2009 to June 30, 2010.
- FINANCIAL \$11,750 Enterprise Fund 07003-8075002-00029-0000000-530000

Respectfully submitted:

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