

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

MALCOLM X COLLEGE
PURCHASE OF THE CHALLENGER PROGRAM FOR PA TRAINING®

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that it is necessary to purchase licenses for 26 students, 2 faculty, and 1 coordinator of the Challenger Program for Physician Assistant Training Software to provide a library of up to 3,800 hours of accredited content in primary and acute care topics which will prepare the students for the physician assistant certification exam ("PANCE") and meet the needs of the Physician Assistant Program of Malcolm X College; and

that this software was selected because it is web based and can be accessed from any PC connected to the internet. Furthermore, once the licenses are purchased, there is no renewal fee and Malcolm X College will own the licenses and incorporate the software into the Physician Assistants Program curriculum; and

that Challenger Corporation, Memphis, TN. is the exclusive manufacturer and distributor of this software and has provided a proposal to provide the licenses at a cost of \$43,075.00; and

that this sole source purchase of software licenses is exempt from the District's competitive bidding requirements; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced software product from Challenger Corporation and since all of the production, supplying and dissemination of this software product occurs from in-house staff and since there are no certified MBE or WBE vendors capable of providing this product, it is therefore, recommended that a waiver from compliance with the Board approved Participation Plan be granted.

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RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees authorize the purchase of 26 students, 2 faculty, and 1 coordinator licenses from the Challenger Corporation, Memphis, TN. in the amount of \$43,075.00 for Malcolm X College.

FINANCIAL

\$43,075.00 -Educational Fund 544200-00003-3060000-00029-12121-0000000

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

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