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

SIMULATOR FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT PROGRAM
WRIGHT COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that it is necessary to purchase a replacement work simulator for the Occupational Therapy Assistant (OTA) Program at Wright College; the simulator is used to provide practical, current, state-of-the-art student training in evaluating and treating patients who have sustained physical injuries, and is used in rehabilitation programs for injured workers, sports rehab, and with the general population; the current simulator equipment has been in use for ten years and is now considered obsolete – BTE Tech Corporation has notified staff that they will not provide service of parts for the current model after June 30 of this year; for that reason, staff requests approval to purchase a new simulator from BTE; and

that BTE Technologies, Hanover, MD has proposed to provide a new Simulator II Functional Rehabilitation system, including all accessory equipment, computer, printer and monitor, as well as a one-year warranty, installation and in-service training for a total cost of \$22,410.00; this price includes a \$7,000 trade-in allowance on the current system and a \$2,490 educational discount; staff has reviewed the proposal and recommends approval to complete the purchase with BTE Technologies, which is the sole manufacturer of the Simulator II system; and

that this purchase is exempt from the District's competitive bidding requirements.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees approves the issuance of a purchase order in the total amount of \$22,410.00 to BTE Technologies, Hanover, MD for the purchase of the simulator for the OTA program at Wright College.

FINANCIAL

\$22,420.00 - Educational Fund – 7070100-5800

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

May 13, 2004