



May 18, 2009

MEMORANDUM

TO: District Board of Trustees

FROM: William D. Law, Jr., President

SUBJECT: Guaranteed Maximum Price – Classroom Renovations and Learning Commons

Item Description:

This item requests that the Board of Trustees approve the guaranteed Maximum Price for the renovation and remodeling of the DH Building, the AC Building and the Learning Commons to provide additional computer classrooms.

Overview:

Several classroom spaces were made available once the Learning Commons was completed last fall. These areas have been identified as possible spaces where the concept of computer/classrooms could be utilized.

Salient Facts:

With the success of the Learning Commons, there is a need to replicate the classroom environment in other areas of the campus. With the opening of the Learning Commons last fall, several large classrooms were made available that could be renovated to accommodate both the classroom instruction and computers. Over the past few months, these rooms have been identified and the campus architect, CRA, has prepared a design that has met the needs of the Academic Support area of the College. In addition, a new program in Pharmacy Technology will be introduced this fall and there was need to provide a specialized space for that program.

The College chose the next construction manager, Bass Construction Company, from the list of the seven pre-approved firms to prepare a Guaranteed Maximum Price for the necessary renovations to the spaces in the Dental Hygiene Building, the Academic Computing Building, and some minor renovations in the Learning Commons. Bass has reviewed the plans and specifications prepared by CRA for this project and have presented a GMP for the work to be completed by August 1, 2009, in time for the opening of the Fall 2009 term.

Past Actions:
None.

Future Actions:
No further activity on the part of the Board is necessary.

Funding/Financial Matters:
These renovations and the required technology and equipment will be funded from the 2008-09 Renovation and Remodeling PECO Appropriation. The total cost to the College will not exceed \$635,760 for the renovations and remodeling.

Staff Resource:
Teresa Smith

Recommended Action:
Approve the GMP from Bass Construction Company Inc. in the amount of \$635,760.00 for the renovation and remodeling of the DH Building, the AC Building and the Learning Commons.