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APPROVED MINUTES STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION January 6, 2011 Special Teleconference Meeting Boise, ID

A special teleconference meeting of the State Board of Education was held January 6, 2011. It originated from the Board office in Boise Idaho. Board President Richard Westerberg presided and called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

A roll call of members was taken.

Present:

Richard Westerberg, President Don Soltman, Secretary Rod Lewis Ken Edmunds, Vice President Paul Agidius Emma Atchley

Absent:

Milford Terrell and State Superintendent Tom Luna

REGULAR BUSINESS

Board member Soltman noted that Board member Terrell had recused himself from these two items and so he is not in attendance for the meeting.

1. BSU – iStrategy Software Licensing and Maintenance

M/S (Soltman/Agidius): To approve the request by Boise State University for a one-time payment of iStrategy licensing and implementation fees of \$330,000 and an ongoing software maintenance fee of \$42,000 annually. Roll call vote was taken. It failed 3-3 (Edmunds, Atchley, and Agidius voted Nay).

Board member Soltman introduced this item. Stacy Pearson of Boise State University was in attendance by phone to answer questions and provide additional details. Board member Agidius asked about possible penalties if BSU changes data warehouse vendors. Ms. Pearson indicated that there is an annual renewal of the license but no contractual based penalties.

Board member Edmunds raised concerns about cost of the license, its compatibility with the longitudinal data system or other systems, and the timelines. He asked about the possibility of waiting to make this purchase.

Ms. Pearson explained that BSU already purchased iStrategy, a data warehouse and reporting system. This request is for the approval for licensing and annual maintenance fees and additional modules that will help BSU carry out its reporting requirements. Mr. Edmunds reiterated his concern that this is premature and not be a good use of funds at this time.

Board members Agidius and Edmunds explained that there needs to be more information so that they have a better understanding of all this request entails. They can't support the motion without it.

Ms. Pearson noted that this request does represent a substantial discount of the product. She reiterated that her understanding is that the Board wants additional detail at the February meeting. She emphasized that BSU cannot guarantee that it will be able to get the same discounted pricing.

Board President Westerberg restated his understanding of the outcome of the motion, that being that Board members Edmunds and Agidius would be willing to reconsider this item at the February meeting if more information is provided.

Selena Grace reiterated that iStrategy has already been implemented by BSU. This request will allow them to add additional modules to make their reporting more efficient.

2. BSU - Capital Project - Lincoln Avenue Student Housing

M/S (Soltman/Agidius): to approve the request by Boise State University to proceed with construction of the new student housing facilities on Lincoln Avenue for a total project cost not to exceed \$15,781,851 million and to find that this housing project constitutes a project that is necessary for the proper operation of the University and is economically feasible pursuant to Chapter 38, Title 33, Idaho Code. Motion carried unanimously.

Stacy Pearson clarified that there will be no eligible occupancy cost. Board President Westerberg asked about the architectural fee and Ms. Pearson explained that since the plans had to be converted from a public/private partnership project to a public works project, the plans had to be converted which took quite a bit of effort. That is why the fee isn't significantly lower.

Ms. Atchley asked for clarification about a housing fee. Ms. Pearson indicated that the revenues for this project are the rent and vending revenues from students residing in this facility. There are no housing fees.

OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was entertained.

M/S (Atchley/Soltman): To adjourn the special meeting of the Board at 2:07 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.