

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Attachment: Discussion 17

PALO ALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date: 10.27.09

TO: Dr. Kevin Skelly, Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Bob Golton and Cathy Mak, Co-Chief Business Officers

SUBJECT: Award of Bid for the Purchase of Smartboards

BACKGROUND

School sites have been purchasing numbers of Interactive Whiteboard Systems (Smartboards) and also the installation services. It is very popular technology. The Education Code requires that supplies and equipment bids for 2009 in excess of \$76,700 are required to be put to formal bid. The district anticipates potentially purchasing in excess of \$76,700 in Smartboards this fiscal year.

As required by Code, the district advertised in a newspaper for two weeks prior to the bids. Also, in an attempt to attract additional vendors, the District contacted three vendors directly.

PROPOSAL

The Smartboard bid closed on October 16, 2009. There was only one bid. It was as follows:

➤ In2Change \$1,199.00 ea.

This is the vendor from whom the Smartboards and installations were purchased last year. They rendered quality service. It is proposed the Board of Education award this contract to In2Change for the purchase and installation of Smartboards for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for the systems would come from the various budgets of the schools ordering the equipment.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Board of Education approve the award of a contract for the purchases and installation of Smartboards in 2009-2010 to In2Change.