

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY

INFORMATIONAL REPORT

DECISION ON

COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

JANUARY 14, 2008

Background Information:

The Purchasing Department on behalf of the Office of Technology is requesting a decision by the Board of Education for the award of a contract to Hewlett Packard Company, located at 110 Spit Brook Road, Nashua, NH, 03062, in the amount of \$204,546.40 for the purchase of computer hardware, maintenance and installation services to accommodate an upgrade to the district's integrated business suite.

The basis for the cost of the equipment to be purchased has been established through utilization of the Western States Contracting Alliance (WSCA) contract number A63309.

Discussion:

The Office of Technology is requesting the purchase of Hewlett Packard computer equipment and services required to upgrade Lawson business suite. The upgrade is a planned lifecycle replacement to an announcement of an end of life version the district is currently using. The anticipated expenditures were incorporated into the FY2008 CIP budget. The project and this purchase are aligned with Master Plan Goal #3 and Strategic Plan Focus Area 4.1.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve a contract in the amount of \$204,546.40 for the purchase of computer hardware, maintenance and installation services from Hewlett Packard Company to upgrade the Lawson software package to a new release.