

OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Trustees Consent
FROM: Douglas Treadway
DATE: May 23, 2007
SUBJECT: Approval of Contract with AT&T for High-Speed Telecommunication Services for NCHST

The State of California Department of Technology Services (DTS) solicited competitive bids for multi-year telecommunications services, and contracted with AT&T. The resulting contract entitled CALNET 2, has an initial contract term of five years from January 30, 2007, through January 29, 2012. For purposes of this agreement, DTS has reclassified California Community Colleges to the same status as California State Universities (CSU) and University of California (UC) schools which are treated as State agencies. This reclassification thereby entitles Ohlone College to contract for telecommunications services under the CALNET 2 agreement.

The Ohlone College 2001- 2011 Education Master Plan states that as an objective for the Newark Center for Health, Science, and Technology; the campus will offer comprehensive instructional programs and student services responsive to community needs. Additionally, the plan states that the "latest technology systems will be incorporated into the design of the campus to maximize the effectiveness of learning and the efficiency of operations."¹

While the NCHST is recognized as a separately contained facility, the Center will leverage the District's technology infrastructure investments and share several instructional and administrative computing systems and applications. This shared infrastructure will include: Datatel Colleague, WebCT, SARS-GRID, Email, Voicemail, and Electronic File Storage. The sharing of these technology resources requires the installation of a high-speed telecommunications connection between the two campuses.

Based upon faculty and staff feedback and operational requirements obtained at NCHST Planning Retreats, the Ohlone College IT Department staff has determined the telecommunication infrastructure specifications required to support the new campus. The telecommunication facilities and services required to support the inter-campus connectivity between Fremont and Newark are among the services competitively bid under the recently awarded CALNET 2 agreement with AT&T. The IT Department has previously contracted with AT&T (aka SBC) and found the vendor services to be high quality, customer friendly, and cost effective.

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¹ Ohlone College 2001- 2011 Education Master Plan p. 29, 32.

At this time, staff requests approval to utilize the CALNET 2 agreement with AT&T to acquire **OPT-E-MAN** high-speed telecommunication services. The term of this agreement is two years at an annual cost of \$46,080. The total cost for the two-year agreement is \$92,160. Additionally there is a nonrecurring cost of \$4,380 for service initiation.

The following funding sources will be used to support this contract agreement:

2006-2007 Nonrecurring cost: \$4,380 - Measure A Bond Funds

2007-2009 Recurring Cost: \$46,080.00 per year - General Fund 10

RECOMMENDATION:

The President/Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees authorize the District to utilize the CALNET 2 agreement with AT&T for the acquisition of high-speed telecommunication services for the NCHST Campus. The annual cost for this service is \$46,080, plus a one-time service initiation fee of \$4,380.