

OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Gari Browning

DATE: June 10, 2009

SUBJECT: Approval of Amendment 1 to Contract 2760801 to Strata Information Group for Information Technology Management

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On November 14, 2007, the Board of Trustees approved a contract with Strata Information Group (SIG) to manage the Information Technology (IT) Department. SIG has skillfully provided not only a seasoned professional Chief Technology Officer (CTO) for strategic planning and day-to-day management but also two other highly skilled managers who report to the CTO. SIG has exceeded expectations in organizing and providing support for instructional technology; management of the technology staff and infrastructure; development of tactical plans to address short-term technology needs and improvements; supporting the staff to successfully accomplish objectives identified in the tactical plan; and, managing the Datatel Colleague system and related applications including providing advice, recommendations, and best practices for network and technology infrastructure issues. As it turns out, the cost of the current contract has been more than offset by salary savings, reduced costs for outside consultants, reductions in pricing paid for new equipment, organizational/operational efficiencies and in providing a wide range of technical expertise not otherwise available to the District.

The current contract expires on June 30, 2009. The district desires to renew by amendment the contract for one additional year. It is anticipated that during the upcoming year sufficient progress will have been made at stabilizing the IT department that a transition back to district management can begin, if desired.

SIG has agreed to eliminate the \$153,000 provision for hourly consulting and to reduce annual fees by \$60,000 to a new total contract price of \$768,000 for the 2009-10 fiscal year. This contract cost has been budgeted in the Tentative Budget under Fund 10, Account 10-0-24-67800-0000-55141 (Contracted Services).

RECOMMENDATION:

The President/Superintendent recommends that the Board of Trustees approve Amendment 1 to Contract 2760801 for Information Technology Management Services with Strata Information Group for services during fiscal year 2009-10 in the not-to-exceed amount of \$768,000.