

November 15, 2010

MEMORANDUM

TO:

District Board of Trustees

FROM:

Barbara R. Sloan, President /

SUBJECT:

Grants and Contracts - TCC as Fiscal Agent

Item Description:

This item requests that the Board approve the receipt of funding for the listed projects.

Overview:

The following are recommended for approval:

I. RECEIPT, AMENDMENT, EXTENSION OF RESOURCES

Florida Department of Education – Online Tutoring Services with Community Colleges TCC will continue to service as fiscal agent for the Online Tutoring Services with Community Colleges grant formally known as the College Access Challenge Grant. This grant will allow the State's community colleges to purchase discount tutoring services from SMARTHINKING. The amount of this award is \$300,000, with an indirect cost rate of 0%; however, TCC will receive 150 online tutoring hours free from SMARTHINKING for acting as fiscal agent. The funding period is from 7/1/2010 through 6/30/2011.

Florida Department of Education – Race to the Top (RTTT) Teacher Certification TCC will serve as fiscal agent to provide personnel and other support for the enhancement of the Teacher Certification Program with funding from the approved federal RTTT initiative. The amount of the funding is \$740,000 (\$180,000/annually), with an indirect cost rate of 10%. The funding period is from date of approval through 6/30/2014.

II. COMMITMENTS, EXPENDITURES, CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES

FDOE Online Tutoring Services with Community Colleges – SMARTHINKING, Inc. TCC will require contractual services with SMARTHINKING, Inc. to provide discounted tutoring hours for institutions under the Florida Community College system. The amount of the contract is \$300,000, with an indirect cost rate of 0%. The funding period is from 7/1/2010 through 6/30/2011.

FDOE Curriculum, Learning and Assessment Support Project – School Board of St. Lucie County

TCC will require contractual services to provide compensation for a teacher on special assignment for this project. The contract will reimburse the School Board of St. Lucie County for provided benefits and any other employment related expenses for the teacher assigned to this program. The amount of the contract is \$88,406.40, with an indirect cost rate of 8%. The contract period is from 10/1/2010 through 9/30/2011.

Salient Facts:

The Board of Trustees has authority to contract with outside agencies for provider management.

Past Actions:

There has been no previous action by the Board on this funding.

Future Actions:

No further activity on the part of the Board is necessary.

Funding/Financial Matters:

The above projects will be established in Fund 2, Restricted Accounts. The indirect earned from these awards will be \$57,600.

Staff Resource:

Teresa Smith

Recommended Action:

Authorize receipt of funds from these awards and contracts listed above.