To: Board of Education

From: Kyle Hayden, assistant superintendent, business & operations, ext. 4309

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Re: Purchasing Authority for Casework

Date: January 21, 2016

Background:

In April 2013, voters approved a \$92.5 million school bond issue to improve facilities, enhance technology and expand career and technical educational opportunities. The focus of this bond plan was on equipping our teachers and students with tools for 21st century teaching and learning.

A significant piece of successfully completing the district's bond construction projects involves furnishing and equipping the educational spaces, including classroom furniture and casework. The district has standardized the casework components which will allow for the district to interchange furnishings as needs arise. Precision Craft, of Olathe, Kansas, was awarded the original bid in December 2014, and is honoring its prices through December 2016. They are a designer and manufacturer of commercial wood products. They have been good to work with on their competitive prices and meeting unique design requests along with their advantageous turnaround time.

Rationale:

The district is requesting to have purchasing authority to Precision Craft up to \$100,000 for upcoming bond construction casework needs for Sunset Hill, Broken Arrow, Deerfield and Sunflower Elementary Schools. The district has received bid prices that will be honored during bond construction months.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends board approval of the procurement authority up to \$100,000 to Precision Craft for the purchase of standardized classroom casework.

Account Code: 0910090000 Capital Outlay Instruction 57330 Furniture and Fixtures

Motion:

"I move the Board of Education approve purchasing authority to Precision Craft in an amount up to \$100,000 for items comprising of casework components as specified and bid."