AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS FOR A NEW MAINFRAME AND STORAGE SPACE

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2005-61

WHEREAS, at the time the current mainframe was purchased in March 2001, it was designed to have a useful life of three (3) years and IBM formally announced that IBM software will not be supported on the current mainframe after April 30, 2007, and

WHEREAS, the current mainframe computer has run at full capacity during recent registration periods, causing minor performance problems and it is expected that performance will degrade to unacceptable levels by Fall semester of 2006, and

WHEREAS, the data being generated, managed, stored, and retrieved continues to grow in volume and the demand to access that data is also growing with the increased reliance on web-based systems, and

WHEREAS, the new generation of disk storage equipment can increase the speed of access to the college’s data, and

WHEREAS, the Information Technology Services (ITS) Department anticipated the need for a new mainframe and new disk storage equipment and included it in its budget requests which were subsequently approved, and

WHEREAS, appropriate bidding and vendor selection processes have been used to identify the best value and provider of said equipment and associated software for the college,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Trustees hereby authorize and direct the President or his designees to negotiate and enter into agreements with Sirius for a new mainframe, new disk storage equipment, and IBM systems software for which the one time charges shall be approximately $585,468 and the recurring costs shall be approximately $415,116.

State Trustees
Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana

William R. Goins, Chairman

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Dated October 13, 2005

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