

**APPROVAL OF TECHNOLOGY CONTRACT FOR THE VALPARAISO PHASE 2
NEW CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, REGION 1 - NORTHWEST**

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2007-51

WHEREAS, The 2001 General Assembly approved bonding authority in the amount of \$2,600,000 to purchase land and plan a building for the College in Valparaiso, the 2003 General Assembly bonding authorization for the College included \$18,443,000 for a Phase 1 construction project in Valparaiso, and the 2005 General Assembly bonding authorization for the College included \$20,000,000 for a Phase 2 construction project in Valparaiso, and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds exist in the project for technology installation and cabling, and

WHEREAS, the bid process for a technology bid package has been completed in accordance with applicable statutes, Indiana Case Law and College procedures including State Trustee Resolution 2004-32 regarding the use of apprentices, and

WHEREAS, the lowest and best bid according to College procedures is from Portable Communications Systems Services dba: PCS Cable & Wireless Solutions for \$369,334.40, which requires approval by the State Trustees, and

WHEREAS, the Region 1 Board of Trustees has reviewed the project and made a recommendation on a contract award;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Trustees do hereby approve the above stated project and approve a contract award to Portable Communications Systems Services dba: PCS Cable & Wireless Solutions for \$369,334.40, and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the State Trustees do hereby authorize and direct the President and any other appropriate College Officer to negotiate and execute a contract with said firm after the documents have been approved by the College Interim General Counsel.

**State Trustees
Ivy Tech Community College of Indiana**



Jesse R. Brand, Chairman



William F. Morris, Assistant Secretary

Dated August 9, 2007

Buildings, Grounds, and Capital Committee
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This project will complete the technology installation and cabling at the Phase 2 building under construction in Valparaiso.

As you may know, on its construction projects, the College often bids its technology cabling and equipment systems late in the project to take advantage of new technology and usually dropping prices of existing technologies. All construction infrastructures (cable trays, conduit, vertical chases, and wiring closets) were bid as part of the original construction documents. There were five technology packages that were recently bid (bid opening on May 22, 2007) for the Valparaiso Phase 2 project:

Auditorium Technology,
Classroom Audio/Video Technology,
Door Security Access System,
Network Electronics, and
Telecommunication Cabling and RF Television Distribution System

The bids for the Auditorium Technology, Classroom Audio/Visual Technology, Door Security Access System, and Network Electronic were significantly less than \$200,000 and don't need State Trustee approval. The bids for the Telecommunications Cabling and RF Television Distribution System were greater than \$200,000 and therefore a contract will need State Trustee approval.

The work to be done for the bid package needing State Trustee approval includes:

- Install cabling for voice, data and video system
- Install voice and data outlets as specified
- Install rack layout for classrooms and data rooms, and
- Install amplifiers, connectivity plates in classrooms and video projector locations.

Following College and State policies regarding advertising and bidding procedures, bids for the technology installation and cabling for the Phase 2 new construction project in Valparaiso were released on April 24, 2007, and were opened in the Regional Offices on May 22, 2007. Four bids were received for the Telecommunication Cabling package. The Region 1 Board of Trustees has recommended the lowest bidder, Portable Communications Systems Services dba: PCS Cable & Wireless Solutions, who was also judged to have submitted the best bid meeting all State Trustee requirements including Resolution 2004-32. PCS Cable & Wireless Solutions' bid is \$369,334.40. Funding will come from the Valparaiso Phase 2 new construction project.

Action Requested: Approval of Resolution 2007-51 for the Telecommunication Cabling and RF Television Distribution System package and contractor.