

**APPROVAL TO PURSUE THE PURCHASE OF THE PURDUE ACADEMIC LEARNING CENTER IN MERRILLVILLE, INDIANA, BY LEASE, LEASE/PURCHASE OR DIRECT PURCHASE, AND TO REQUEST THE PARTICIPATION OF THE IVY TECH FOUNDATION, AS NEEDED, REGION 1/NORTHWEST**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 2013-19**

**WHEREAS**, the Northwest Region would prefer a greater presence in the southern portion of the Region where the population has grown by more than 40% in Crown Point and 15% in Merrillville since 2000, and

**WHEREAS**, The Purdue Academic Learning Center in Merrillville, Indiana is available for lease or purchase from Purdue University, and

**WHEREAS**, once acquired the property can be used to house classrooms for academic courses, meeting space, dual credit and Corporate College training, and

**WHEREAS**, additional negotiations are necessary to determine the form of acquisition, price, whether the Ivy Tech Foundation will be involved in the acquisition, and obtain Commission for Higher Education approval if needed, but time is of the essence, and

**WHEREAS**, the Region 1/Northwest Board of Trustees has requested that the State Trustees authorize the acquisition of this property from said owners, subject to positive results of appraisals, investigations and negotiations regarding price;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the State Trustees do hereby request that Ivy Tech acquire said property from Purdue University.

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED**, that the College will involve the Ivy Tech Foundation, as needed, and report back to the State Trustees at a future meeting, and

**FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED**, that the State Trustees do hereby authorize and direct the President and any other appropriate, designated College employee to enter into said lease or purchase agreement, or purchase by the Foundation, after the documents have been approved by the College General Counsel.

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

  
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V. Bruce Walkup, Chairman

  
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David M. Findlay, Secretary

**Dated June 6, 2013**