

To: Board of Education

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Re: Purchase of Theatrical Lighting – Lawrence High

Date: April 7, 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. Part of this bond approval was for a new black box theatre at Lawrence High School.

The district worked with Sabatini Architects to design the stage lighting system and instrument product equipment including electronic controls and portable dimmer switches. This theatrical lighting system was bid in July, but was rejected to see if the district could receive a more competitive bid. The same specifications were used and sent to two vendors: Mainstage Theatrical Lighting and Theatrical Services, Inc.

Recommendation:

Administration recommends the purchase of theatrical lighting and control equipment for the Lawrence High School black box addition from Theatrical Services, Inc. of Wichita. The original bid result for this project was \$65,000. Even though the district only received one bid (no bid was received from Mainstage Theatrical Lighting), it was \$13,000 less than the original bid. The district has worked with this company and is pleased with their quality of work and services.

Account: 3547007201.54500 Bond Funds

Motion:

"I move the Board of Education approve the purchase of theatrical lighting and control equipment for the Lawrence High School black box addition from Theatrical Services, Inc. in the amount of \$52,770."