

To: Board of Education

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Re: Purchase Authority for Classroom Cubbies & Casework – Deerfield

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. The focus of this bond plan was on equipping the district's 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 and cubby components which will allow for interchange of 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. Precision Craft is a designer and manufacturer of commercial wood products. The company has been good to work with on their competitive prices and meeting unique design requests along with their advantageous turnaround time and close location.

Rationale:

The district is requesting the authority to purchase from Precision Craft up to \$115,000 in cubbies and casework needs for upcoming bond construction at Deerfield Elementary School. The district has received bid prices that will be honored during the bond construction process.

Recommendation:

Staff recommends board approval for procurement authority of up to \$115,000 to Precision Craft for the purchase of standardized classroom cubbies and casework.

Account: 0910090000.57330 Capital Outlay Instruction Furniture and Fixtures

Motion:

"I move the Board of Education approve purchasing authority to Precision Craft in an amount up to \$115,000 for items comprised of cubbies and casework components as specified and bid."