SUBJECT: RATIFY THE REJECTION OF BIDS ON BID # B-8002 FOR HP-UX SERVER AND COMPATIBLE DATA STORAGE DEVICES

OVERVIEW

At their meeting of August 14, 2007, the Governing Board authorized Bonnie Ann Dowd, Vice President, Finance and Administrative Services, or Ken Jay, Director, Business Services, to execute a contract within the limits of available funding to one of the three lowest responsive bidders for an upcoming bid for an HR Student Computing Environment, subject to later ratification by the Governing Board.

DISCUSSION

A notice was published in the San Diego Daily Transcript on August 9 and August 16, 2007, calling for bids for an authorized reseller to furnish, install, and configure the specified previously sold and refurbished equipment at the District's San Marcos Campus as well as to provide both preventative and remedial maintenance on said equipment for a period of five years after the installation. A total of 25 vendors were notified of the bid.

The following two vendors submitted bids by the closing date of September 5, 2007, at 2:30 PM, however both had to be deemed non-responsive to the specifications as stated in the bid documents as follows:

Bidder	Reason
Abtech Systems Inc. 2042 Corte del Nogal, Ste. D Carlsbad, CA 92011	Not an authorized HP Reseller
Nth Generation Computing Inc. 17055 Camino San Bernardo San Diego, CA 92127	Bidder stated that HP would be performing the maintenance and repair services, rather than the Bidder doing so.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable since bids have been rejected.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board ratify the rejection of the two bids on Bid # B-8002 due to the fact that both bids were deemed non-responsive to the bid specifications for said bid.