Cloud County Community College
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Board Meeting
October 15, 2021

Present: Jesse Pounds, Richard Hubert, Pat Macfarlane, Jim Koch (ZOOM), Greg Askren (ZOOM), Bruce Graham (ZOOM), President Amber Knoettgen, Dr. Kim Zant, Caesar Wood, and Samantha Pounds – Board Clerk.

Others Present: Toby Nosker – KNCK Radio, Chris Wilson, Shawn Walden – Dynamic Campus, and Tom Roberts.

I. The meeting was called to order by Chair, Jesse Pounds at **12:00** PM in the President's Office.

II. **Pledge of Allegiance**

III. All Board members present were polled to waive the statutory two-day notice of a special meeting and all Board members present waived the statutory notice.

IV. **Adoption of the Agenda –** Pat Macfarlane moved and Richard Hubert seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion passed.

V. **Action Item**
   A. **Network Administrator**
   Jim Koch stated that Kevin Lutes looks like her has a lot of experience, but he always says it's interesting how we get people interested from out of state. Amber Knoettgen shared that he has a connection to the area based on a family or friend that lives in Belleville. Pat Macfarlane joked that our secret must be getting out about how wonderful it is to work here!

   Greg Askren moved and Richard Hubert seconded to approve the appointment of Kevin Lutes as the Network Administrator on a full-time, KPERS covered, Professional Employee contract effective no later than December 1, 2021. Motion passed.

   B. **Approval of Server Replacement for Network Infrastructure**
   Tom Roberts shared some information about the need for server replacement. We are currently at compacity and this server replacement was recommended by Dynamic Campus. This will double our storage space

from 19 Terabytes to 36 Terabytes and we can upgrade those in the future as needed. There is also a 5 year warranty included in this replacement. Caesar Wood mentioned that this will help with the longevity of the technological future of the college. Jesse Pounds asked how long it might take to push capacity of this storage. Tom explained that this should be more than enough to last us and it will be a significant performance enhancement. He did mention that this will take about 3 months to deploy due to shipping delays.

Pat Macfarlane moved and Bruce Graham seconded to approve the purchase of 7 servers from ConvergeOne in the amount of $106,429.71 and authorize payment from HEERF III Funds. Motion passed.

C. **Network Infrastructure Project**
Trustees dove into this action item with great questions. Bruce Graham asked why Thunderheights was not included in the project. Tom Roberts explained that when Thunderheights was built in 2010, a trench was dug to cable the wires over to the building. T-Bird Village and the Tech West building were built a long time ago which is why the cabling needs to be updated. The cabling will be in conduit with manholes on each side of the street going over to T-Bird Village and Tech West. Caesar Wood mentioned that we are extremely happy with all the work that Dynamic Campus has done to help us with this project. Shawn Walden shared that it has been a pleasure working with Cloud again since his time here. Amber asked if there needs to be a contingency included in the price just in case there are any changes that arise. Tom stated that they did a lot of leg work prior to this project to make sure we wouldn't run into any major issues. Shawn shared that it may be a good idea to include the contingency so we do not have to bring any change orders, if any, to the board for approval, which could in turn delay the completion. It was agreed to now include a 15% contingency. Tom said this is a huge move to help with our future technology. Pat Macfarlane commended everyone involved for all the work they have done so far on this project.

Jesse Pounds asked for a motion to amend the recommendation of $389,916.00 to include a 15% contingency of $58,487.40 to total $448,403.40.

Richard Hubert moved and Pat Macfarlane seconded to approve the amended motion of the network infrastructure project to Envision Technology Group in the amount of $448,403.40, which includes a 15% contingency and authorize payment from HEERF III funds. Motion passed.

Shawn Walden congratulated us for moving forward with the project since it is something we have needed for a long time. It will open a lot of opportunities for the future. Amber thanked Shawn and his team for everything they have done to help.

VI.   **Adjournment** – Greg Askren moved and Pat Macfarlane seconded to adjourn the meeting at 12:30 pm.

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Samantha Pounds, Clerk of the Board
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