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AUTHORIZE INCREASED EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY FOR OPSIS ARCHITECTURE, LLP. TO COMPLETE ALL ARCHITECTURAL PROJECT WORK FOR SYLVANIA CAMPUS CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION BOND PROGRAM

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REPORT:

At the March 15, 2001 meeting, per Resolution 01-066, the Board awarded a contract to Opsis/Group MacKenzie Architects (now Opsis Architecture, LLP) to provide architectural services for the Sylvania Campus Capital Bond Construction Program. The costs for these services were estimated to be approximately \$2.2 million over the six (6) year period of the program, based on the very preliminary scope of work in March 2001. Since March 2001, the College has been able to benefit from favorable pricing and contractor performance, which has allowed the scope to expand. Examples include increased work scope on HVAC upgrades, power distribution upgrades, and smaller renovations. These additions to the Sylvania bond program require added architectural/engineering services.

At the present time, the entire scope of the project has been determined, and a final Agreement for Professional Services has been negotiated based upon a full and mutual understanding of the complete scope of work required. The value of all of the architectural services from Opsis are now estimated to be \$3,575,000 total, an increase of \$1,375,000 above the preliminary estimate.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Directors authorize additional expenditure authority of \$1,375,000 to Opsis Architecture, LLP, to complete all architectural services for the Sylvania Campus Capital Bond Construction Program through the duration of that project. Total expenditure authorization shall now be \$3,575,000, and all expenditures will be paid from bond funds.