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MEMORANDUM

TO: THE KANSAS CITY KANSAS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FROM: Dr. Cynthia Lane, Superintendent of Schools
DATE : April 28, 2015
SUBJECT: ACCEPT LOW BID FOR SCIENCE TABLES & CHAIRS

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Kansas City Board of Education **accept the low bid meeting the written requirements for science tables and chairs from SSi Furnishings in the amount of \$100,919.29** as submitted by Robert Young, Director of Purchasing, Dr. Kelli Mather, Chief Financial Officer, and as recommended by Dr. Cynthia Lane, Superintendent of Schools.

EXPLANATION:

Background

Sealed bids were received in the Purchasing Department Office on April 23, 2015. The solicitation called for per unit pricing on one hundred seventy-eight (178) chairs and four hundred and one (401) science tables to replace older existing furniture, and for new science classrooms in district middle schools, high schools and at the North Central Office, in accordance with specifications of the solicitation. Bids were advertised and sent to ten firms. Bids were received from SSi Furnishings, Today's Classroom, School Specialty Supply, Sargent-Welch, Commercial Concepts, Fisher Scientific, Staples Business Interiors, Hertz Furniture and K-Log. A "No Bid" response was received from NASCO. Bid tabulation is attached.

Why this is important.

This furniture will support classroom instructional activities and provide students with a properly furnished learning environment.

Strategic Framework Priority

The purchase of new science tables and seating will support the instructional mission of our Curriculum Department, and address the priority of being good stewards of resources with financial accountability.

What Action is the Board Being Asked to Consider?

It is requested the lowest complete bid meeting the written requirements of the solicitation specifications be accepted so that ordering of the items may proceed.

Recommended by:

Dr. Cynthia Lane
Superintendent of Schools

Submitted by:

Dr. Kelli E. Mather
Chief Financial Officer

Robert Young
Director of Purchasing

IFB 15-007 - SCIENCE TABLES & CHAIRS - BID ANALYSIS

	Low Bid	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	SSi Furnishings (Alt. 1)	SSi Furnishings (Alt. 2)	Today's Classroom	School Specialty	SSi Furnishings (Alt. 3)	Sargent Welch	Commercial Concepts	Fisher Scientific (Alt. 1)
Item	Bid	Bid	Bid	Bid			BID	Bid
178 - 18" Chairs	\$ 6,728.40	\$ 6,728.40	\$ 5,655.06	\$ 5,408.08	\$ 6,728.40	\$ 8,544.00	\$ 6,993.62	\$ 13,554.70
401 - 54" x 24" Science Tables	\$ 94,190.89	\$ 110,713.97	\$ 114,834.37	\$ 117,436.86	\$ 118,936.60	\$ 118,671.94	\$ 124,257.87	\$ 161,085.71
Total	\$ 100,919.29	\$ 117,442.37	\$ 120,489.43	\$ 122,844.94	\$ 125,665.00	\$ 127,215.94	\$ 131,251.49	\$ 174,640.41

Met Bid Requirements

	9	10	11	12
	Staples Business Interiors†	Fisher Scientific (Alt. 2)‡	Hertz Furniture*	K-Log#
Item	Bid	Bid	Bid	
178 - 18" Chairs	\$ 5,519.00	\$ 13,554.70	\$ 7,296.13	\$ 7,957.80
401 - 54" x 24" Science Tables	\$ 91,985.39	\$ 97,178.34	\$ 110,034.71	\$ 136,333.89
Total	\$ 97,504.39	\$ 110,733.04	\$ 117,330.84	\$ 144,291.69
	<i>†Did Not Acknowledge Addenda/Missing Updated Bid Form</i>	<i>‡No Inside Delivery & Installation</i>	<i>*Did Not Acknowledge Addenda/Missing Updated Bid Form</i>	<i>#Did Not Acknowledge Addenda/Missing Updated Bid Form</i>

Did Not Meet Bid Requirements

No Bid
NASCO
Bid
No Bid
No Bid
No Bid