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AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE TO PURCHASE LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICE FROM AT&T

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REPORT:

The College has utilized a State of Oregon contract (#6016) to purchase long distance service from AT&T for the past three (3) years at an annual cost of \$60,000 (per #98-016 and #99-103 for an extension period). This contract pricing has been considerably lower than anything else available to the College. This contract was due to expire this past Spring and the State had originally planned to undertake a new bid process for these services, but, due to the very low pricing, have chosen to extend the current contract with AT&T through April 19, 2001.

College purchases from State contracts are exempt from any further competitive bidding process; however, annual purchases that exceed \$50,000 or more still require Board approval. Since the College anticipates purchasing approximately \$60,000 of long distance service this fiscal year, staff recommends extending authority to utilize this State contract until it expires or is replaced by a new contract.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Directors authorize continued utilization of the State contract with AT&T (#6016) for long distance telephone service through April 19, 2001, for an estimated not-to-exceed expenditure of \$60,000. Funding for payment for these services is by all departments of the College per the long distance calls placed and charges incurred.

Director Williams moved to approve Resolutions 01-001 through 01-008 by consent agenda; it passed unanimously.