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RATIFY A ONE YEAR SOLE-SOURCE CONTRACT TO
ORACLE FOR SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND
UPGRADES

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REPORT: The College has had an annual contract with Oracle Corporation for maintenance and upgrades of several Oracle software products at a cost of approximately \$140,000 per year. This contract was the result of a formal Request for Proposals (RFP) process that was undertaken to determine if any other vendors could provide the required software maintenance for our Oracle products. No other vendors responded to the RFP and a three (3) year contract through September 30, 2000 was subsequently awarded to Oracle (#98-029).

Information Technology Services needed to enter into an additional one-year contract with Oracle to continue to provide the required software maintenance services for a cost of \$147,470 for the period of October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2001. As no other vendors have been either able or willing to provide these maintenance services, at the present time Oracle is considered to be a sole source provider for this particular procurement. Due to the critical contract start date, the President authorized entering into the new contract. Since the total cost exceeds \$50,000, Board ratification is still required.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Directors ratify a one year sole source maintenance contract to Oracle Corporation to continue to provide software maintenance and upgrades as necessary. The contract term is from October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2001 at a total cost of \$147,470 (from General Funds).