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RATIFICATION OF PURCHASE OF ROUTERS AND
ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT FROM STATE CONTRACT
WITH QWEST

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REPORT: The College's Information Technology Services (ITS) is in the process of connecting to the Pittock Block Building (Portland's ISP Teleco Hotel). The services provided by this connection will be: 1) a second Internet Service Provider (ISP) should the College's primary connection fail, 2) a second access point for data traffic coming in and out of the PCC network, and 3) access to the Northwest Access Exchange (NWAX) located at that facility. NWAX is a group headed up by OHSU and PSU which allows participating public agencies to communicate directly via Wide Area Network. Overall, this connection is strategic as PCC moves forward with video, audio and data exchanges between K-12, OUS schools and Distance Learning organizations.

The purchase of routers and other associated network equipment was required as soon as possible to facilitate this connection. This equipment was all available per State Contract #1055 with Qwest, for the amount of \$58,636.50 total. Due to the urgency involved and the fact that a competitively-awarded state contract was in place, this transaction was approved by the President, per Board Policy B703, and must now be ratified by Board action.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Directors ratify the purchase made from Qwest of routers and other associated network equipment, per State Contract #1055, in the amount of \$58,636.50 total.

This expenditure will be from the General Fund.

Director Anderson moved for approval of Resolutions 02-056 through 02-059 and Resolutions 02-061 through 065; it passed unanimously.