

CARL SANDBURG COLLEGE

Board of Trustees Meeting

Regular Meeting – May 15, 2007

Item 25 Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract-Phase I, II, & III Update

Institutional Focal Points/ Goals

I-B, II-D, II-A, V-A

Background

At its regular meeting held February 23, 1995, the Board of Trustees approved the concept of conducting a request-for-proposal process (RFP) under the auspices of Public Act 88-0173 that allows the College to enter into a contract with a qualified provider for the purchase/installation of energy conservation measures. This led to the eventual approval (7/27/95) of an initial (Phase I) ten (10) year Guaranteed Energy Saving Contract (GESC) with Johnson Controls, Inc.

Two (2) additional ten (10) year contracts (Phase II, April of 2001 and Phase III, October of 2003) were also approved by the Board of Trustees.

Front end costs experienced in these projects are being paid back from reduced energy costs captured because of the ECM's. This has given the College the following benefits; which in turn led to the approval of other Phases of the GESC Program:

1. Improved quality of work/learning environments,
2. Reduced (long term) operating costs,
3. Campus improvements paid for with reallocated dollars, therefore at no additional cost to the taxpayer.

Recommended Action

The Administration has scheduled a representative of Johnson Controls, Inc., Mr. Rob Brown, to provide an overview of the results from Phase I, II, III, and progress achieved to date by our GESC Program.