

PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
**Board of Trustees Agenda Report**  
For the Trustee Meeting Date of May 12 , 2009

ITEM # 10

ITEM TITLE: Contract Approval for *Hands On/Purple Language Service, Co. Merritt College*

SPECIFIC BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: CONSIDER APPROVAL FOR UP TO \$35,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009 SERVICES FROM 8/08 TO 5/09

ITEM SUMMARY: HANDS ON/PURPLE LANGUAGE SERVICES CO. SERVES OUR STUDENTS WITH INTERPRETERS ON THE SCHOOL SITE. HANDS ON/PURPLE LANGUAGE SERVICES HAS HIGHLY QUALIFIED SING LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS AND IT SERVICES PEOPLE WHO ARE DEAF AND HARD-OF-HEARING.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS: PREVIOUS SERVICE DID NOT COME FOR BOARD APPROVAL BECAUSE IT DID NOT EXCEED \$25,000.00 A YEAR. THIS ITEM WENT FOR BOARD APPROVAL ON 7/8/08 FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS.

ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS: NO ALTERNATIVE VENDOR

EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDED ACTION:

SOURCE OF FUNDS (AND FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT):  
MERRITT GENERAL DSPS CONSULTANT FUND

OTHER DEPARTMENTS IMPACTED BY THIS ACTION (E.G. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY):

YES \_\_\_\_\_ No  X

COMMENTS: THIS IS A URGENT MATTER, WE HAVE A STUDENT THAT NEEDS ASSISTANT, HANDS ON/PURPLE LANGUAGE SERVICE WILL NOT PROVIDE SERVICES UNTIL PAYMENT OF INVOICES ARE PAID.

WHO WILL BE PRESENTING THIS ITEM AT THE BOARD MEETING?

ROBERT ADAMS, PRESIDENT

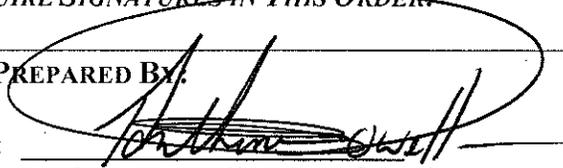
DID A BOARD STANDING COMMITTEE RECOMMEND THE ITEM? YES \_\_\_\_\_ No  X

IF "YES", PLEASE INCLUDE THAT INFORMATION IN YOUR SUMMARY.

(\*\*\*\*\*Board contract approval is subject to negotiation and execution by the Chancellor.)

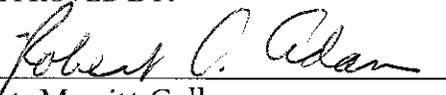
PLEASE ACQUIRE SIGNATURES IN THIS ORDER:

DOCUMENT PREPARED BY:

Prepared by:   
Anthony Powell, Dean of Student

Date: 4/29/09

DOCUMENT PRESENTED AND APPROVED BY:

Presented and approved by:   
Robert Adams, Ed.D, President, Merritt College

Date: 4/30/09

FINANCE DEPARTMENT REVIEW

Finance review required  Finance review not required

If Finance review is required, determination is:  Approved  Not Approved

If not approved, please give reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature:   
Thomas Smith, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration

Date: 5/5/09

GENERAL COUNSEL (Legality and Format/adherence to Education Codes):

Legal review required  Legal review not required

If Legal review is required, determination is:  Approved  Not Approved

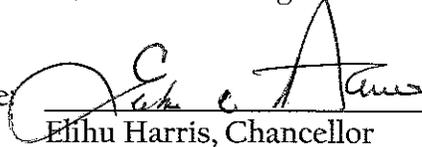
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thuy T. Nguyen, General Counsel

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE APPROVAL

Approved, and Place on Agenda

Not Approved, but Place on

Signature:   
Elihu Harris, Chancellor

Date: 5/5/09



April 1, 2009

TO: Purple Clients  
FROM: Denise Madland, Center Manager  
Oakland Communication Center  
SUBJECT: Corporate Name Change

It's official, we've changed our name! We are **Purple Language Services Co.** Because of our recent merger we are now able to serve our clients through our network of communication centers located throughout the nation. Purple now has over 1000 highly experienced interpreters ready to serve you on site or through video remote services.

While our name has changed, Purple Language Services remains committed to providing excellent customer service and the highly qualified sign language interpreters you have come to expect. We offer this packet of information to assist you in obtaining the communication services you need. You will find a new Community Interpreting Rate Sheet, new W-9 forms, Request Forms and up-to-date information on our Purple services and products.

We greatly appreciate the opportunity to work with you to ensure communication access for people who are Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing. We would be remiss if we didn't mention that we recognize that merging 5 companies is a huge task, and one that is not without its challenges. The past months have not been easy and we want you to know we are doing everything we can to improve our systems and ensure an excellent customer service experience. We apologize to you if the blending of companies has resulted in any inconvenience. We are confident that as a result of this merger we will be better equipped to provide the services you need.

Thank you for your patronage. We look forward to assisting you with your communication service needs. Should you have any questions please contact us at the numbers and emails listed below.

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