

Board Meeting  
December 2, 2011

## ROLL CALL

### PURCHASE RECOMMENDATIONS

The "Purchase Recommendations" are presented by campus and a Summary from "Appropriated Funds" (i.e., from State appropriations to the University) and from "Institutional Funds" is included. The latter term is used here to designate funds received by the University under contracts with the United States Government; contracts with private corporations and other organizations, from foundation grants, and grants from corporations and other donors; and University revolving funds authorized by law. The Summary also indicates a total amount by campus.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The Director of Purchases has proposed and the Vice President, Chief Financial Officer recommends the following purchases. Unless otherwise specified, the purchase in each case is recommended on the basis of the lowest acceptable bid.

The President of the University concurs.

### PURCHASES RECOMMENDED

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#### Urbana-Champaign Campus

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1	Unit	Study Abroad Office; Numerous campus departments
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Item	Travel agency services for international group travel for the period December 7, 2011 through June 30, 2013, with the option to renew for four additional two-year periods at the same terms and conditions. All renewals are subject to continuing need, availability of funds, satisfactory performance, and Board of Trustees approval.
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Cost \$3,000,000 (estimated)

Renewal Options:

July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2015	\$3,040,000
July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2017	\$3,040,000
July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019	\$3,040,000
July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021	\$3,040,000

Vendor	Student Flights, Inc., Scottsdale, AZ	\$1,000,000
	Frosh International Travel/Travel Cuts, Burlingame, CA	\$1,000,000
	Suzi Davis Travel, Champaign, IL	\$1,000,000

Proposals Received

Point Summary of Proposals  
(Maximum Score of 1,000)

Student Flights, Inc., Scottsdale, AZ	867
Frosh International Travel/Travel Cuts, Burlingame, CA	756
Suzi Davis Travel, Champaign, IL	740
Travelex International, Hoffman Estates, IL	719
Rio Grande's Franklin Travel, Champaign, IL	660
Carousel Travel/American Express, Minneapolis, MN	650
Travelosophy, Inc., Commerce Twp., MI	635

Competitive selection procedures were followed in accordance with the Illinois Procurement Code.

The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign offers study abroad opportunities both through the Study Abroad Office as well as individual schools and departments. Short-term programs led by UIUC faculty have seen the most growth in the past few years, and it is these programs that are most likely to use the group travel option.

To ensure that travel to most desired locations would be available, and due to the projected growth of international group travel at UIUC, three vendors are being recommended. All three vendors are full service travel agencies whose services include domestic and international airfare for individual and group travel, lodging, meals while in travel status, ground transportation at the origin and destination, meeting space, tours and other group activities.

These contracts will be available to the other two campuses.

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**Chicago Campus**

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2 Unit University of Illinois Medical Center at Chicago/ Department of Surgery & Materials Management; College of Medicine

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Item Purchase of two (2) da Vinci robotic surgical systems, one-year warranty, and four-year service contract.

Cost \$2,815,000 (estimated)

Vendor Intuitive Surgical, Inc., Sunnyvale, CA

This purchase is a sole source because the item is patented and the vendor is the only manufacturer and distributor.

One of the robotic systems will be used to perform minimally invasive surgery at the University of Illinois Medical Center, while the other will be used as a teaching instrument at the College of Medicine. The da Vinci robotic system allows a surgeon to scale, filter, and translate hand movements into the more precise micro-movements of the instrument. The system operates through small incisions in the body, allowing surgeons to perform more complex and less invasive surgeries than with conventional minimally invasive methods. Benefits to the patient include reduced trauma to the body, reduced blood loss, less post-operative pain, smaller risk of infection, less scarring, and faster recovery time.

This purchase includes two surgical systems, each with a one-year warranty, as well as a four-year service contract following the expiration of the warranty. These new robotic systems will be compatible with the supplies and equipment utilized by the University's two existing da Vinci systems, purchased in 2007 and 2010.

The University will receive a \$1,500,000 discount for the trade-in of the two older robotic surgical systems. Since the University is purchasing two systems, the vendor is providing one service contract free of charge (valued at approximately \$600,000), for a total savings of \$2,100,000.

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**University Administration**

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3 Unit Vice President for Academic Affairs/Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois (CARLI)

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Item Subscription to online electronic journals for the period January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012.

Cost \$1,340,000 (estimated)

Vendor American Chemical Society, Washington, D.C.

This purchase is a sole source because the journals are copyrighted and only available from the vendor.

This purchase is a collection of forty (40) online electronic journals available exclusively through the American Chemical Society and negotiated through a Consortium of Academic & Research Libraries in Illinois (CARLI) agreement. These journals encompass all areas of chemistry and the titles offered are the most highly regarded in the field. Access to these journals is also a requirement for chemistry program accreditation. Based on historical data, it is anticipated that users will download more than 1.2 million full-text articles from these titles.

CARLI has negotiated a 14% discount available to all University of Illinois campus libraries. The price is considered reasonable and acceptable.

<b>SUMMARY OF PURCHASES</b>	
(Rounded to nearest dollar)	
Urbana-Champaign Campus	\$ 3,000,000
Chicago Campus	\$ 2,815,000
University Administration	\$ 1,340,000
Recommended from Institutional Funds	
Grand Total	\$ 7,155,000