

**Purchase Request #13**  
**Regular Board Meeting August 12, 2024**  
**Consideration of Approval to Contract for Aerospace System Trainers**

**ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT**

The administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a contract with AeroTrain Corporation for aerospace system trainers for the aerospace department.

**BACKGROUND**

The equipment to be purchased includes an aerospace system trainer and additional system components used to teach students various subsystems produced in aerospace manufacturing. This trainer will be used to create an environment to teach intermediate and advanced technician training in electronics, avionics, and many other courses.

An invitation for bid (IFB) #24-16 was issued in March 2024 to procure the above referenced equipment for aerospace program. The purchase complies with the competitive procurement requirements in Texas Education Code §44.031(a). One response was received, and the offer from AeroTrain Corporation was determined to provide the best value to the College.

**IMPACT OF THIS ACTION**

The skills students learn from the use of this equipment are the same skills the aerospace industry requires of entry level manufacturing technicians. The equipment will be housed at the EDGE Center as part of the College's aerospace training program.

**BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)**

The expenditure for this request is \$193,270 and will be funded from the Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant.

**MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE**

The purchase will be initiated in August 2024 and completed in the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – Tabulation

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**IFB #24-16**  
**Aerospace System Trainers**  
**Attachment 1 - Tabulation**

	<b>Vendor Name</b>	<b>Base Price</b>	<b>Total Price with Alternates*</b>
1	AeroTrainer Corporation	\$140,620	\$266,400

*\*Award amount includes some alternates.*