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TO: Dr. Monty Sullivan

LCTCS President

THROUGH: Joseph Marin

Chief Operations Officer

FROM: Anthony Brown

Director of Operations, Risk and Emergency Management

DATE: June 30, 2021

SUBJECT: Lease between the LCTCS, on Behalf of SOWELA Technical Community

College and Christ Bridge Academy

FOR BOARD ACTION

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board authorize the President and the Chancellor of SOWELA Technical Community College to negotiate and execute all documents to lease and potentially sell the former Jennings Campus to Christ Bridge Academy, a local nonprofit organization. Lease and conveyance documents for this lease and potential transfer must be filed with the local Clerk of Courts and the State Land Office.

Background: In 2016, Facility Planning and Control constructed a new campus in Jennings for the SOWELA Technical Community College using Capital Outlay funds. Upon its completion, the college occupied the new campus, and the former campus is used for storage and as a maintenance/repair shop. The college proposes to lease and potentially sell this property to the Christ Bridge Academy, a local nonprofit organization.

During the June 2020 meeting of the LCTCS Board of Supervisors, the Board authorized the transfer of the property to the City of Jennings through a cooperative endeavor agreement. The City of Jennings opted not to accept the property because of the cost associated with removing the hazardous materials found in this facility, which was constructed in 1947. The Christ Bridge Academy is interested in buying the facility, but an appraisal and full inspection to determine the renovation costs have not been completed.

Fiscal Impact: The lease cost and appraised value for the potential sale of this facility have not been determined at this time.

History of Prior Actions: The LCTCS Board of Supervisors approved the transfer of this property to the City of Jennings during the June 2020 meeting.

Benefits to the System: The lease of this property will offset the operating costs of the college in the near term and potentially eliminate all costs once the property is sold.

Approved for Recommendation to the Board

Dr. Monty Sullivan, President

July 7, 2021

APPROVED

Date

Signature: Joseph Marin (Jul 6, 2021 13:19 CDT)

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