

**ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD AGENDA BACKUP**

Regular Meeting of May 28, 2024

ITEM: **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN ALBANY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND
SOUTHERN ENERGY SERVICES INC.**

PREPARED BY: **SCOT JAFFE, DIRECTOR OF MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS
JACKIE KIM, CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICIAL**

TYPE OF ITEM: **CONSENT**

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is for the Board of Trustees to approve the Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Southern Energy Services Inc. to install thermostats at Albany High School and Albany Middle School.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: In April, 2023 the District received a CalSHAPE grant for Albany Middle, Albany High and MacGregor High Schools to fund the assessment and maintenance of ventilation systems, and installation of carbon dioxide monitors. The Director of Maintenance and Operations negotiated the installation of Pelican “smart” thermostats with integrated carbon dioxide monitors to match what is used elsewhere throughout the District. Under the program, Pelican thermostats have already been installed at the High Schools and Middle School wherever it was a simple exchange with existing thermostats. Thermostat installation to control the Daiken variable refrigerant flow systems is not as straightforward. There are sixty thermostats that require specialized installation. Once this project is complete, all heating, cooling, and carbon dioxide levels at Albany High School, Middle School, Ocean View Elementary, and eventually Cornell Elementary will be monitored online through a Building Management System (BMS).

DETAILS: The CalSHAPE grant will cover the cost of the Pelican thermostats and all associated parts. The more technical installation of the thermostats will be carried out by Southern Energy Services Inc. as the best value responding contractor.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: The additional cost of \$65,949.00 will be covered by the State Facilities Grant earmarked for HVAC repair.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES ADDRESSED:



Objective #1: *Assess and Increase Academic Success. Goal: We will provide a comprehensive educational experience with expanded opportunities for engagement, assessment, and academic growth so that all students will achieve their fullest potential.*



Objective #2: *Support the Whole Child. Goal: We will foster the social and emotional growth of all students, implement an array of strategies to increase student engagement, identify individual socio-emotional and behavioral needs, and apply collaborative appropriate interventions.*



Objective #3: *Communicate and Lead Together. Goal: All stakeholders will collaborate and communicate about decisions that guide the sites and district.*

<p>RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Independent Contractor Services Agreement with Southern Energy Services Inc. to install thermostats at Albany High School and Albany Middle School.</p>
