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BOARD OF TRUSTEES – BOARD MEETING

BUS PURCHASE

Detail: The College currently maintains four buses as part of our fleet. Our current buses are:

Year/Type	Capacity	Mileage
2006 Chev (Plastic)	24	185,000
2006 MCI (Motor coach)	56	455,000
2007 International (School bus)	44	210,000
2009 International (School bus)	44	190,000

Both of the International buses are basically school buses that has been upgraded to work as a college transport bus. They are really not intended for long distance transportation. There are many times during the year that the current fleet of buses do not meet the needs of the college. With the size of some teams, along with the number of teams & clubs traveling, we end up sending buses, vans, and cars to cover all the travel needs for the various groups.

We have been looking for a good pre-owned coach type bus that can accommodate larger groups, has more storage, and is designed for longer over the road travel. This would be a replacement bus for one of the two Internationals and is the same type and model as our other MCI bus.

There are a significant number of pre-owned coaches on the market, however finding one in the condition we are looking for is always a challenge. We have located a pre-owned coach that is in exceptional condition. It is a 2007, MCI J-4500, 56 passenger Coach, and has been owned by a family run charter business. This coach has approximately 700,000 miles on the coach, however the engine was replaced in November with a factory CAT engine. The engine has 6,000 miles on it and a 4 year warranty. The entire coach has been gone through and is in excellent condition. Our mechanic, Ghazi, has inspected the coach and is satisfied with its mechanical condition.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of the Coach from Riley's Bus Tours/MCI, in the amount of \$155,000.

