

STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION
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TOPIC: Pikes Peak State College Spending Authority Request for Southwest Foodservice Excellence

PRESENTED BY: Dr. Lance Bolton

RELATIONSHIP TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN:

- Transform the student experience
- Redefine our value proposition through accessibility, affordability, quality, and closing equity gaps while remaining agile.

EXPLANATION:

PPSC has had a college contract with Paragon Foodservices Inc, for the last five years providing food services to the Centennial Campus and Rampart Range Campus. Since we were reaching the end of our contract with Paragon Foodservices Inc. the decision was made to go out to Request for Proposal (RFP), which is a thorough competitive bid process.

The RFP committee was made up of college representatives from Auxiliary Services, Student Life, and Assistant to the Associate Vice President Academic Resources Division. After a review of the RFP responses and listening to presentations along with questions and answers from the two top vendors, the decision was made to move forward with Southwest Foodservice Excellence. The contract will be renewable on an annual basis for five (5) years with service to the Centennial Campus, Rampart Range, and Downtown locations.

Southwest Foodservice Excellence is a \$744 million dollar company that serves over 1.5 million meals a day across the country. Support will come with a cross-functional team of experts, providing best-in-class training and onsite visits to ensure program success. SFE has robust resources in all facets of Culinary Operations, Health and Nutrition Operations, Human Resources, Field Operations, Finance and Accounting, Marketing & Promotions, and Quality Assurance & Compliance Operations.

Southwest Foodservice Excellence Contract Amounts	
Year 1 Initial Term (FY24)	\$75,000.00
Year 2 (FY25)	\$110,000.00
Year 3 (FY26)	\$110,000.00
Year 4 (FY27)	\$110,000.00
Year 5 (FY28)	\$110,000.00
Total for contract term 8/1/2023 – 6/30/2028	\$515,000.00

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the approval for PPSC to proceed with the new contract with Southwest Food Service Excellence, with a do not exceed amount of \$515,000. Staff also recommends that the Board delegate to the System Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administration the authority to sign the contract and associated documents on the condition that all Board and State processes are followed.