

Bookstore Management Outsource Option



Self-Managed vs. Outsourced

- Small, self-managed bookstores have difficulty competing with large booksellers due to increased overhead and lack of economies of scale
- Current losses can't be sustained without contributions from General Fund which reduce academic spending



Bookstore Net Loss* for Last Five Years (SBVC/CHC)

Fiscal Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Net Loss	-236,000	-269,000	-156,000	-148,000	-345,000
\$1.2 million net loss over the last 5 years		\$(100 \$(150 \$(200 \$(250 \$(300	\$- ,000.00) ,000.00) ,000.00) ,000.00) ,000.00) ,000.00)		

\$(400,000.00)

* = Excluding Interfund Transfers

Expectations of Outsourcing

- Transition teams provided by outsourcing company ease the way from self-management to outsourcing
- Existing bookstore staff can continue District employment for several years
- District earns an annual income from management company
- Note: Over 1,500 colleges and universities currently outsource the management of their bookstore



Expectations for Students

- Economies of scale and upgraded technology result in lower prices for students
- Increased textbook rental and digital options result in cost savings and increased convenience
- Improved point of sale software and website result in faster check out and greater convenience

Expectations for Faculty

- Outsourcing company provides resources to faculty to assist them in the selection of course materials
- Course materials can include textbooks, digital materials, videos, and open source content
- Outsourcing company works with faculty to ensure accurate and timely adoptions and offers a variety of methods to submit adoptions



Expectations for Colleges/District

- Professional marketing and expanded selection can increase sales of general merchandise
- Outsourcing company returns a percentage of sales to Colleges which can be used for academic services
- Decreased College/District administrative time allows staff to spend time on other projects and reduces the need for overtime or additional staff



Outsourcing Myths

- Current employees will lose their jobs
- Other services will go away (tickets, etc.)
- Customer service will decrease
- Faculty will no longer be involved
- Costs will increase



Possible Timing

- Preferred time to convert would be over the summer
- 45 day transition period recommended for a smooth and orderly transition, including time needed for any improvements to the buildings, to install new software system, and train our employees



Summary

- Current bookstores have difficulty competing with large booksellers and are losing money
- Outsourcing is expected to benefit students, faculty, and College/District
- Existing bookstore employees will not lose their jobs due to outsourcing



Questions



