University of West Florida

Board of Governors: LBR Request

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LBR Issues

- Next Generation Integrated Library System

- STEM eResources

Next Generation Integrated Library System

Request: $1.5M non-recurring - for a year of implementation and running dual systems (it is expected that another year of non-recurring will be required for full implementation)

Purpose: F.S. 1006.735 requires an integrated library management system and its associated services that all public postsecondary education institution academic libraries shall use for purposes of acquiring cataloging, circulating, and tracking library material.

- The current system (Aleph) is based on 30-year-old architecture, and is severely outdated
- Serves 40 state institutions
- Serves 1.3 million students

Staff Efficiencies and Student Success:

- Efficiencies in Program delivery
- Enhanced Shared Services across SUS and FCS systems
- Increased access to library resources, which in turn increases student success
- Vendor is expected to provide some support services currently handled by FLVC staff; those staff can be repurposed to other areas.

Financial ROI:

- No new recurring funding expected to be required after second year of implementation
- Proposal includes hosting (SaaS), support, access to vendor mega index, and statewide discovery interface.
- Repurposing of FLVC staff will result in additional cost efficiencies

STEM eResources Undergraduate and Graduate Students

Request: $4.8 M recurring

Purpose: F. S. 1006.72 expects increased collaboration by the FCS and SUS on the identification and acquisition of electronic library resources.

- Provide uniform access to STEM resources to post-secondary students in SUS and FCS
- $1M for SUS and FCS Undergraduate STEM
- $250K for Florida Polytechnic STEM E-resources addition
- $950K Multimedia and Video Resources for STEM and Health Sciences
- $685K Increases in cost for existing E-resources for SUS and FCS
- $1.87M for SUS Graduate E-Journals

Return on Investment:

- Shared Student Services = Reduction in costs (if each institution licensed these the costs would be approx. $22M to the state)

- Increased availability of scholarly STEM resources assists in Student Retention, Success and Graduation