Seattle Community College – District 6

Agency 670

Audit	Finding			
Report	Finding Number	Finding and Resolution		
1016393	001	Finding:	An investigation completed at the Seattle Community College determined that there was a procurement card misappropriation totaling \$50,712 by the former Director of Distance Learning between July 1, 2009, and January 31, 2015.	
		Fraud Amount:	\$50,712	
		Amount to be recovered:	\$70,953 (including \$20,241 audit cost)	
		Recovery to date:	\$0	
		Resolution/Status:	 The College's Procurement Department has put into place additional controls to prevent similar type of fraudulent activities from occurring in the future. These include: Assigning an additional staff position devoted to credit card program monitoring, training, auditing, and management. Placing additional restrictions with the credit card processor specific to the category or type of businesses the colleges conduct. Conducting regular review of the credit card program to ensure compliance with state rules and regulations. Performing regular audits of credit card activities and improving processes to ensure card statements are reconciled on a regular basis. Non-compliance by card user may lead to revocation of Department card privileges. Implementing regular trainings to cardholders and administrators by the Purchasing Department in credit card use and compliance with internal purchase card policies. 	
		Personnel Action Taken:	The Director was terminated shortly after the discovery of questionable activities by the Seattle Colleges procurement staff member who was conducting an internal audit.	
		Criminal Action Taken:	The report has been sent to the County Prosecutors Office. They are working with the Seattle Police Department to conduct an investigation.	
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