

Purchase Of Gator Band Uniforms OK'd

DICKINSON — School band director Vernon V. Coers reported to the Dickinson School Board last week that the sample uniform submitted for school approval by Fruhauf Southwest Company had passed an evaluation by Miss Toni Bradbury, High School Home-making teacher, Mrs. Sam Scarcella, a professional seamstress in Dickinson, and Coers himself.

Fruhauf was one of two low bidders on new uniforms needed by the school band. Both firms submitted sample uniforms. Coers said that they had both been ripped apart in many places and thoroughly tested and inspected for strength at wear points, for tailoring, and for type of material and thread used.

Asked by one of the board members how the school could be assured that the uniforms ordered will be of the same quality as the sample, Coers said that the sample uniform will be kept, and when the new uniforms are delivered the home economics teacher will make a careful comparison with the sample. In the unlikely event that the new ones were inferior, presumably they would be refused.

The board unanimously passed a motion to purchase the uniforms from Fruhauf.

The uniforms which the band is presently using are over eight years old. The new uniforms feature a removable, eye-catching, high contrast overlay to be worn when the band performs at sport events. Removal of this overlay leaves a more subdued uniform which is suitable for stage wear, such as concerts.