RATIFY AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY (CHA) FOR GRANT SERVICES RELATED TO THE EMPLOYABILITY PLUS PROGRAM (EPP)

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify an agreement with The Chicago Housing Authority (CHA) for grant services related to the Employability-Plus Program (E.P.P.). Under this agreement, the Board will contribute the services of one full time teacher/coordinator. CHA will reimburse Crane for the teacher/coordinator's summer and extended day pay, parent stipends, general supplies and carfare in an amount not to exceed \$60,000. This request is necessary to extend services that CHA has provided in conjunction with Crane, for the E.P.P. since 1985. A written agreement for these grant services is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification No.: 01-250108

GRANTOR: Chicago Housing Authority

Chicago, Illinois 60606 Terry Peterson, C.E.O.

Pamela Cotton, Staff Council

(312) 791-8415 Vendor #: 29305

USER:

Crane Tech Prep Common School 2245 West Jackson Boulevard

Chicago, Illinois 6061 Melver L. Scott, Principal

June P. Collins, School Operations Manager

(773) 534-7550

Hazel Stewart/REO Region 3

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on January 1, 2001 and shall end December 31, 2001.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: Either party may, with or without cause, terminate this agreement for convenience upon thirty (30) days written notice.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: The Employability Plus Program (E.P.P.) is an alternative education program, as well as a special work study program located in the ABLA housing development. The program is designed to teach young people skills, which they may not have mastered in school, and prepare them for a GED or higher education. The E.P.P. consists of three basic components: academic, counseling and employment.

PROGRAM PARTICIPATION: C.H.A. will provide classroom space to accommodate at least fifty (50) participants, Identify program participants and will reimburse the Board upon invoice for monies spent in the amount of \$60,000.00. The reimbursed funds will cover costs for teacher compensation for the summer program and extended hours, parent stipends, general supplies and carfare. The Board, through Crane Tech Prep Common School, will provide a teacher/coordinator who will teach classes and coordinate the provision of other educational and support services. The Board will employ one full-time teacher coordinator (for ten months- 6 hours per day). The teacher coordinator will teach classes and coordinate the delivery of educational and other support services for program participants.

OUTCOMES: The outcomes of the E.P.P. include, but are not limited to the following:

- Provision of opportunities for housing residents to be transitioned into general, vocational or alternative high school and/or receive a G.E.D. Certificate.
- Development of a replicable model that improves the employment opportunities of public housing residents
- Reduction of drug activity in the community by offering positive, developmental options for high-risk youth.

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS: CHA will reimburse the Board for funds spent on the teacher's summer and extended pay, parent stipends, general supplies and carfare, not in excess of \$60,000.00.

AUTHORIZATIONS: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written Agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This action was approved by the Crane Tech Prep Common School LSC, on January 25. 2001.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Crane Tech Prep Common School Fiscal Year: 2001

Budget Classification: 1270-280-118-0215- "Sundry objects" \$60,000.00

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board member during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

Natalye Paquin Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

Kenneth C. Gotsch **Chief Fiscal Officer** Approved:

Chief Executive Officer

Marilyn Johnson

General Council