AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION FROM CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the acceptance of a donation from Canine Companions for Independence to provide Animal Assisted Therapy in schools.

DESCRIPTION:

1. SOURCE: Canine Companions for Independence

RECEIVING SCHOOL/UNIT: Office of Specialized Services/Social Work Unit

DOLLAR VALUE: \$10,000.00

PURPOSE: Canine Companions will donate the services of a facility dog to provide Animal Assisted Therapy. The School Social Worker, Mrs. Judith Jaffe, will coordinate the program. The dog will be used by her in conjunction with traditional clinical services to provide therapeutic services to special and regular education students. Animal Assisted Therapy is a proven modality in mental health with goals and techniques developed to work on issues of socialization, self-esteem, and anger management and impulsivity. This therapy is designed to help motivate, elicit, facilitate, encourage and enhance communication and interaction between the students and the social worker.

AUTHORIZATION: The President and Secretary are authorized to execute any required donation acceptance agreement for the above referenced donation.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not required for this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board.

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 these 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 members 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:

Cozette/Buckney

Chief Education Officer

Approved:

Arne Duncan

Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:

Kenneth C. Gotsch Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as a legal form

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