RATIFY TUITION PAYMENTS TO UNIVERSITIES PARTICIPATING IN THE ALTERNATIVE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify tuition payments to the University of Illinois at Chicago and Northwestern University for graduate level coursework for 41CPS teacher-interns participating in the Alternative Certification Program at a total cost not to exceed \$258,000. These courses were offered without prior Board approval. The universities were selected on a non-competitive basis due to their experience and commitment to providing quality certification coursework. No written agreement is required for tuition payments. Information pertinent to this program is stated below.

Specification No.: 01-250253

UNIVERSITIES: 1. University of Illinois at Chicago

845 West Taylor Street M/C 248 Room 3168-SES Chicago, Illinois 60607 (312) 355-4622

Vendor #: 32571

Contact: Dr. Katheryn Chval

2. Northwestern University

School of Education and Social Policy

2115 North Campus Drive Evanston, Illinois 60208-2610

(847) 467-6676 Vendor #: 49090

Contact: Dr. Sylvia Smith-Demuth

Tuition: \$8,000 per teacher-intern

Tuition: \$4,500 per teacher-intern

Approx. Number of Courses: 10

Not to Exceed: \$90,000

Estimated Enrollment: 20 teacher-interns

Estimated enrollment: 21 teacher interns

Approx. Number of Courses: 10 Not to Exceed: \$168,000

USER:

Alternative Certification Programs

Office of Curriculum, Instruction, and Professional Development

125 S. Clark Street, 9th Floor

773/553-2030

Contact: Diane H. Zendejas

PAYMENT PERIOD: Payments are authorized for university alternative certification courses provided from June 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: University of Illinois at Chicago and Northwestern University, in connection with the Teacher Academy's Alternative Certification Programs (ACP) unit, will provide approximately ten graduate level courses for 41 CPS teacher-interns to fulfill the requirements for an Illinois Alternative Initial Teaching Certificate. Teacher-interns are required to complete all coursework and other certification requirements within a thirteen month period. The 41 Teacher-Interns were selected by ACP from a pool of over 500 applicants recruited locally and nationally. Teacher-interns provide classroom instruction at an assigned Chicago Public School under a provisional teaching certificate while pursuing their Alternative Initial Certification.

PROGRAM OUTCOMES: 41 CPS teacher-interns will fulfill course requirements to receive an Illinois Alternative Initial Teaching Certificate and will thereafter fill critical CPS teacher shortages in the areas of mathematics and science.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to section 3.7 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract participation (M/WBE Plan), this matter is exempt from review because it is for tuition payments.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Charge to Office of Curriculum, Instruction, and Professional Development: \$258,000

Budget Classification: 0951-210 - 000 -1575-5560 \$258,000

Fiscal Year: 2002

Source of Funds: Board Funds

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 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:

Anita Rocha

Acting Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

Kenneth C. Gotsch

Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form

Marilyn F. Johnson

General Counsel

Approved:

Arne Duncan

Chief Executive Officer