## APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH GARTNER GROUP FOR SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the renewal of the agreement with Gartner Group for subscription services to the Office of Technology Services at a cost not to exceed \$145,613.00 for the renewal period. A written renewal document is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Consultant during the option period prior to the execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within ninety (90) days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

## **SPECIFICATION No.:**

VENDOR:

Gartner Group

12600 Gateway Boulevard Fort Meyers, Florida 33913 Contact: Lorraine Zumar Telephone No. (941) 561-4398

Vendor No. 20861

**USER:** 

Office of Technology Services 125 South Clark Street, 3rd Floor

Chicago, Illinois 60603

Contact: Elaine L. Williams, Chief Technology Officer

Walter Briggs, First Deputy Chief Technology Officer

Telephone No. (773) 553-1300

**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:** The original subscription services agreement (authorized by Board Report No. 00-0628-PR29, as amended by Board Report 00-0823-PR20) in the amount of \$96,310.00 is for a term commencing July 1, 2000 and ending June 30, 2001, with the Board having the option to renew the agreement for one additional twelve (12) month period. The original agreement was renewed in the amount of \$105,941.00 for a term commencing July 1, 2001 and ending June 30, 2002 (authorized by Board Report 01-0725-PR13). The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis.

**RENEWAL PERIOD:** By mutual agreement of the parties, the subscription services agreement shall be extended for a period commencing July 1, 2002 and ending June 30, 2003.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Gartner Group is a research and advisory service that provides unbiased insights that support competitive decision-making across the Information Technology (IT) spectrum. Gartner has expertise in the areas of IT research, decision support, analysis, measurement, and consulting. During this renewal period, Gartner Group will provide the following services:

- IT Executive Program membership-only program for senior IT executives in large North American government agencies that provides personal counsel on business and IT management issues
- Gartner offers a variety of research and advisory services, and CPS will subscribe to four of these services. Throughout the year, CPS can change the research and advisory services it wishes to use.
- Online Encyclopedia of Products and Technologies this reference tool will provide access to Gartner's comprehensive database of product, vendor and technology information in the computer hardware, software and communications fields
- Decision Tools for Vendor Selection combines ongoing analyst guidance with detailed product and vendor research.

**DELIVERABLES:** During this renewal period, Gartner Group will provide:

- Unlimited access to a comprehensive knowledge base of Gartner research that is updated on a
  monthly basis and delivered to clients in written form (e.g., research notes, strategic analysis
  reports and IT journal).
- Limited access to personal analysts.
- A reference tool providing access to Gartner's comprehensive database of product vendor and technology information.
- A software modeling tool designed to aid organizations make faster and more cost-effective IT decisions.
- Analysts available to offer both subject matter expertise and best-practice guidance through all
  phases of the vendor selection process.

**OUTCOMES:** Gartner's subscription services will result in continued access to IT research and advisory services that will assist board employees in making wiser and more cost effective IT decisions.

**COMPENSATION:** Gartner Group shall be paid as follows: one lump sum payment of \$145,613.00 due upon invoicing.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief Technology Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The M/WBE goals for this contract include:

35% total MBE, 22% total African American, 10% total Hispanic, 2% total Asian and 5% total WBE.

However, the Waiver Review Committee recommends that a full waiver of the participation goals for this contract as required by the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) be waived because the vendor demonstrated good faith efforts.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to the Office of Technology Services: \$145,613.00

Budget Classifications: 0220-210-000-1108-5420 \$ 145,613.00 Fiscal Year: 2003

## **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:** 

Aprita 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