## APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF JONES COLLEGE PREP IN THE AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (ACIS) PROGRAM TO TORONTO CANADA AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of forty (40) Jones College Prep students in the American Council for International Studies (ACIS) program in Toronto Canada, from April 9, 2003 through April 13, 2003, and authorize travel expenses related to the program.

USER: Jones College Prep 606 S. State Street

Chicago, IL 60605 (773) 534-8600

Ms. Gaye Klopack & Frank Menzies

PROGRAM: In conjunction with its Education-to-Careers (ETC) Vocal and Instrumental Music Program, Jones College Prep will send students who reflect the school's population to the American Council for International Studies (ACIS) Program. The program in music and language immersion and comparative musical cultures includes a 5-day educational travel component in Toronto and Niagra Falls. A professional tour manager who has been carefully selected to ensure the students' safety and security will accompany the students. The Jones College Prep students are enrolled in the ETC Vocal Program.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: Students in the Vocal and Instrumental Music Program at Jones College Prep study a curriculum which focuses on a global perspective in music education. The curriculum emphasizes oral fluency in foreign language and development of awareness of cultural differences. Students will have the opportunity to explore educational and cultural institutions and historical sites as they experience language and music immersion and contemporary Canadian life and culture. The students will have first-hand contact with other cultures through performances and by visiting theatres, museums for science, history and other natural historical sites.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by Hemisphere Educational Travel, 694 Milwaukee Avenue, Prospect Heights, Illinois 60070, and (847) 541-7575.

**COST:** The per pupil cost is \$595.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel accommodations, health and accident insurance coverage providing protection against bodily injury or death. The cost will be paid by the individual participants and from fund-raising activities.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 02-0828-PO04 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults.

Traveling with the students will be Gaye Klopack (teacher), Frank Menzies (teacher), Tory Waterman (teacher), Olivia Harvell (teacher), Freda Brown (teacher), and Ms. Johnson (parent).

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Jones College Prep.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any travel agreements necessary for this program.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This activity was approved by the LSC for Jones College Prep on March 13, 2003.

FINANCIAL: No Cost to the Board.

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General - Each party to any 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 any 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 any 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:

**Chief Education Officer** 

Approved:

**Chief Executive Officer** 

Noted:

**KENNETH C. GOTSCH Chief Fiscal Officer** 

Approved as to Legal Form:

ROBERT R. HALL **Acting General Counsel**