APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO FOR A MASTERS PROGRAM IN SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR FACE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with The University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) for a Masters program in special education for FACE Program Participants (FPPs) for the Department of Human Resources at a cost not to exceed \$330,900.00 over a seven semester term. UIC was selected on a non-competitive basis because it offers courses leading to the Type 10 Learning and Behavior Specialist I certification. UIC was also selected because of its ability to support candidates throughout the program; in our first cohort at UIC, 12 out of 16 original participants remain teaching in Chicago Public Schools. A written agreement for this program is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to UIC 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 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification No.: 04-250026

UNIVERSITY: The University of Illinois at Chicago

Office of Continuing Education, Mail Code 165

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Chicago, IL 60607 Attention: Nancy Downs

312-996-5749 Vendor # 32571

USER: Routes to Teaching

Department of Human Resources 125 South Clark Street, 2nd floor

Chicago, IL 60603 773-553-1070

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TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on May 1, 2004 and shall end July 31, 2006

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: 60 days notice by the Board.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: UIC shall offer courses leading to a Masters Degree in Education with Learning Behavior Specialist I certification for 25 FACE Program Participants working in Chicago Public Schools' special education programs (job code #14).

PARTICIPANTS: All FPPs shall have passed the Illinois State Board of Education Basic Skills Test before being accepted into the FACE Program. Participants shall reimburse the Board in the amount of \$7,500.00 through payroll deduction over three years. Each Participant shall sign an agreement that commits him/her to work in CPS special education positions for a period of not less than three years after completing the Program and obtaining their certification, if such positions are offered to them. Participants who fail to fulfill these requirements will be required to repay a percentage of the tuition payments that the Board made on their behalf under the Program. The repayment amount will be established by a *pro rata* formula developed by the Board's Alternative Certification Program Manager.

DELIVERABLES: UIC shall offer a core curriculum restricted to FPPs that consists of courses ranging from two to six credit hours, for a total of 50 credit hours. The courses shall be offered from the Summer 2004 term through the Summer 2006 term.

OUTCOMES: Twenty-five FPPs shall earn their Masters Degree in Education with Learning Behavior Specialist I certification.

COMPENSATION: From May 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005, tuition payments to UIC shall not exceed \$153,200.00. It is anticipated that tuition payments from July 1, 2005 through July 31, 2006 shall not exceed \$177,700.00. Total compensation shall not exceed \$330,900.00.

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 Human Resources Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to section 3.7 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) this contract is exempt from review because the contract is for tuition payment.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Department of Human Resources: \$330,900.00

\$153,200.00 Fiscal Year: FY2005 Fiscal Year: FY2006 \$130,800.00

Fiscal Year: FY2007 \$ 46,900.00

Budget Classification: 0710-239-821-1575-5560

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:

Approved:

Heather A. Obora

Chief Purchasing Officer

Arne Duncan

Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:

Chief Financial Officer

Ruth M. Moscovitch

General Counsel