RATIFY AN AGREEMENT WITH DEPAUL CENTER FOR URBAN EDUCATION AND ASSESSMENT FOR CONSULTING SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify an agreement with DePaul Center for Urban Education and Assessment to provide consulting services to Talman Elementary School at a cost not to exceed \$33,500. These services were obtained without prior Board approval. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of the quality of its program as seen through research and because the DePaul "Connections" Program is aligned with the State Goals and promotes standard-based instruction and the Chicago Reading Initiative. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Consultant 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 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification No.: 04-250041

CONSULTANT: DePaul Center for Urban Education and Assessment

School for New Learning 25 E. Jackson Blvd., 2nd Floor

Chicago, IL 60604 Dr. Barbara Radner 773-325-7170

Vendor Number: 37159

USER: Talman Elementary School

5450 S. Talman Ave., Chicago

Antonio Acevedo 773-535-7850

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on July 1, 2003 and shall end June 30, 2004.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: None.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Consultant shall implement school-wide spiral curriculum correlated with Illinois Learning Goals and Standards and Chicago Reading Initiative, emphasizing reading and writing across the curriculum and consistent instructional standards and assessment. Through ongoing staff development and peer coaching by teacher coaches and correlated administrative and teacher analysis of student work, the teaching staff will increase student achievement as measured by the ISAT and ITBS. The program will support the Chicago Reading Initiative implementation and the Chicago Board of Education's Education Plan.

Consultant shall provide in-school workshops and classroom coaching, demonstrations and ongoing onsite applied professional development that incorporates peer coaching and school leadership development that is ongoing and reinforced during the school year.

Teachers will receive copies of teacher resource guide to support integrated reading, writing, and vocabulary development. They also will receive instructional guides at each workshop. Grade level/cycles will identify priorities for increasing student learning and then will develop grade-level strategies to accomplish those goals and assessments to determine the outcomes and identify areas for increased progress. Several teachers will take the role of "Connector," supporting grade level and intergrade enhancements through peer coaching, demonstrations, idea exchange, and leadership support.

DELIVERABLES:

- 1. Minimum of 60 days of staff development
- 2. On-line curriculum linked to resources that develop the competencies correlated with the Chicago Reading Initiative
- 3. Course for Assessment Coordinator with correlated in-school application
- 4. Coordination of Connectors, including monitoring of on-line reporting
- 5. Assistance in planning school improvement
- 6. Connector workshops at DePaul or a Museum
- 7. CPDU recertification credit unit option for all workshops
- 8. Administrator forum once each semester
- Ordering and orientation to teacher resources including computers or digital cameras for teachers
- 10. Minimum of five On-site workshops with subsequent evaluation reports
- 11. Ongoing reports on activities including on-line access to coaching reports
- 12. Semester evaluations of teacher priorities

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services shall result in (1) an increase of student achievement in core curriculum as measured by ISAT and ITBS; (2) Teachers will work with increased clarity; (3) Students will work with increased focus and responsibility; (4) Administrators will develop structure to provide ongoing support for teacher development; and (5) Parent involvement will expand with focus on vocabulary, reading and writing.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid a sum not to exceed \$33,500.00 upon invoicing.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

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 Education 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 Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) this contract is exempt from review because the vendor is a university.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report because the LSC has not yet been formed.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Talman Elementary School: \$33,500.00 Fiscal Year: 2004

Budget Classification: 6680-242-813-8274-5410 \$26, 858 Source of Funds: local SGSA & NCLB

6680-234-703-6215-5410 \$6,642

Requisition Number: Waiting for approval

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.

Approved:

Arne Duncan

Chief Executive Officer

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:

Heather A. Obora

Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

John Maiorca

Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:

Ruth Moscovitch General Counsel