## APPROVE ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS WITH HEARING OFFICERS FOR EXPULSION, TRUANCY, TUITION RESIDENCY, AND BOARD RULE 6-28, 6-29, AND 6-30 HEARINGS

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into agreements or renewals with the individual hearing officers listed below to provide hearing officer services to the Office of Instruction and School Management and the Law Department at a cost not to exceed \$230,500.00 in the aggregate. The hearing officers were selected on a non-competitive basis pursuant to an application and interview process. Written agreements for each Hearing Officer's services are currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to any hearing officer prior to the execution of such hearing officer's written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each hearing officer in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to these agreements is listed below.

## **HEARING OFFICERS:**

- Michael J. Dudek Renewal 8520 S. Cicero Burbank, Illinois 60459 (708) 424-6100 Vendor Number 30533
- Margaret Connolly Fitzpatrick Renewal 3824 North Keeler Chicago, Illinois 60641 (312) 953-6547 Vendor Number 50687
- Angela Harkless Renewal 11546 S. Wentworth Ave, #1 Chicago, IL 60628 (773) 991-9681 Vendor Number 52056
- 4. Christina Iturralde Renewal 4320 S. St. Louis Ave. Chicago, IL 60632 (773) 254-4208 Vendor Number 51624

- 5. Ted Goldsmith Renewal 7339 N. Oakley Chicago, Illinois 60645 (773) 508-5739 Vendor Number 48864
- 6. June Brown Renewal 9144 S. Bennett Chicago, Illinois 60617 (773) 978-0909 Vendor Number 15871
- 7. Crystal L. Roberts Renewal 8755 South Prairie Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60619 (773) 846-3884 Vendor Number 15534
- 8. Michael S. Reich Initial 1350 N. Lake Shore Drive--#214 Chicago, Illinois 60610 (312) 943-6350 Vendor Number 98905
- Melanie M. Pettway Initial 1469 Webster Lane Des Plaines, Illinois 60018 (708) 345-0083 Vendor Number 47726

**USER:** Office of Instruction and School Management

125 South Clark Chicago, IL 60603 Domingo Trujillo (773) 553-2150 Law Department 125 South Clark Chicago, IL 60603 Patrick J. Rocks (773) 553-1700

**TERM**: The term of each agreement or renewal shall commence July 1, 2006 and shall end June 30, 2007.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:** The agreements may be terminated by the Board upon 15 calendar days notice of default to the hearing officers, provided that the hearing officers do not cure during such 15 day period.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Each hearing officer shall act as a hearing officer for student expulsion hearings, truancy hearings, or tuition residency hearings, and Board Rule 6-28, 6-29 and 6-30 hearings, as assigned by the General Counsel or his designee.

**DELIVERABLES:** Each hearing officer shall prepare a written summary of the evidence taken at the hearings, together with a recommendation, and forward that summary to the appropriate department.

**OUTCOMES:** The hearing officers shall render impartial recommendations to the Chief Education Officer or his designee.

**COMPENSATION**: For expulsion and truancy hearings, the hearing officers shall be paid as follows: a) \$75.00 per completed hearing and submission of a written report, including a summary of the evidence and a recommendation; and b) \$25.00 for every hearing assigned but canceled or postponed and not held on the day scheduled. For tuition residency and Board Rule 6-28, 6-29 and 6-30 hearings, the hearing officers shall be paid at the rate of \$30.00 per hour. No hearing officer shall be compensated more than \$60,000 during the term of this contract. Total compensation payable to all hearing officers shall not exceed \$230.500.

**AUTHORIZATION**: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreements. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreements. Authorize the General Counsel to execute any and all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate these agreements.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION**: Pursuant to Section 3.7.3 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan), this pool of individuals is exempt from the provisions of the M/WBE plan.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Instructions and School Management: Fiscal yr: 2007

\$180,500 Professional and Technical Services - Expulsions

Budget Classification: 0400-210-000-1026-5410

Charge to Law Department: \$10,000 Fiscal yr. 2007

Professional and Technical Services - Pupil Residency and

6-28, 6-29, and 6-30 Hearings

Budget Classification: 0014-210-000-1011-5410

Charge to Law Department: \$40,000 Fiscal yr. 2007

Professional and Technical Services – Truancy Budget Classification: 0014-210-000-3052-5410

## **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 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 is hereby 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 is hereby 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:** 

Heather A. Obora

**Chief Purchasing Officer** 

Within Appropriation:

John Maiorca

Chief Financial Officer

Approved:

Arne Duncan

**Chief Executive Officer** 

Approved as to legal form

Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel