## APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF AMES MIDDLE SCHOOL IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of eighty (80) Ames Middle School students in an educational tour to Washington, D.C. from May 6, 2007 through May 9, 2007.

**USER:** Ames Middle School

1920 North Hamlin Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60647 (773) 534-4970

Lorraine Cruz, Principal

PROGRAM: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Washington, D.C. trip from May 6, 2007 through May 9, 2007.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** This trip provides a sightseeing tour of the nation's capital, government, and historical landmarks. It exposes students to the wonderful history that Washington, D.C. has to offer to increase their appreciation and understanding of this city.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program are being made by New Century Tours, Ruth Adamczyk, 147 Old Solomons Island Road, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Annapolis, Maryland 21401, (800) 328-1099.

**COST:** The per person cost is \$384.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel, admission costs, and health and accident insurance. The costs will be paid by individual students.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults.

Traveling with students will be: Craig Johnson (Teacher), Lynn Samartino (Teacher), Derrick Bullie (Teacher), Keith Dumbleton (Teacher), John Sullivan (Teacher), David Rodriguez (Teacher), Orlando Rivas (Security Officer), Maribeth Crowell (Student Teacher), Rebecca Cowin (Student Teacher), Amanda Fulton (Student Teacher) and Mary Mercado (Parent Volunteer).

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Ames Middle School.

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

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not applicable.

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

**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 – Any 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.

Contingent Liability – Any 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:** 

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Barbara Eason-Watkins Chief Education Officer

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John Maiorca

Chief Financial Officer

Approved:

**Arne Duncan** 

**Chief Executive Officer** 

Approved as to legal form:  $\mathcal{M}$ 

Patrick J. Rocks General Counsel