## APPROVE EXERCISING THE FINAL OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY FOR CONSULTING SERVICES

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the final option to renew the agreement with Illinois Institute of Technology to provide consulting services to the Office of Academic Enhancement at a cost for the option period not to exceed \$325,163. A written agreement exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Consultant during the option period prior to the execution of the written renewal agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written renewal agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

CONSULTANT: Illinois Institute of Technology Center for Research and Service

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**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:** The original consulting agreement (authorized by Board Report No. 06-0823-PR5) was for a term of one year, commencing August 28, 2006, and ending August 27, 2007, with the Board having four options to renew for one-year terms. The agreement was renewed pursuant to Board Report 07-0627-PR17 for a term commencing August 28, 2007, and ending August 27, 2008. The agreement was further renewed pursuant to Board Report 08-0625-PR21 for a term commencing August 28, 2008, and ending August 27, 2009. The agreement was further renewed pursuant to Board Report 09-0624-PR23 for a term commencing August 28, 2009, and ending August 27, 2010. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis due to the consultant's qualifications, expertise and abilities to provide appropriate examination services for regional gifted centers, classical schools, academic centers, and international gifted programs.

**OPTION PERIOD:** The term of this agreement is being extended for one year, commencing on August 28, 2010, and ending August 27, 2011.

**OPTIONS REMAINING:** There are no options remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: For students applying to take the K-8 entrance examination to gain admission into the regional gifted centers, academic centers, classical schools, and international gifted programs, IIT Institute of Technology Center for Research and Service continues to (1) provide a testing site, (2) hire qualified personnel that are trained in assessment and standardization procedures, (3) administer assessment instruments as recommended by the Office of Academic Enhancement, (4) score kindergarten entrance examinations and provide quality control by rechecking scores, (5) ensure the confidentiality of all test scores and assessment materials, (6) provide CPS with kindergarten score reports via data base, (7) update student test status in FileMaker Pro, and (8) provide a phone bank to answer parent questions regarding testing.

**DELIVERABLES:** The Center for Research and Service in the Institute of Psychology at the Illinois Institute of Technology will continue to provide the Chicago Public Schools Office of Academic Enhancement with kindergarten test results via database. All data will be checked by the consultant for accuracy and it will be the assessment center's responsibility to ensure the accuracy of scores reported to the

Chicago Public Schools. The Center for Research and Service in the Institute of Psychology at the Illinois Institute of Technology will provide a phone bank to answer questions from parents regarding their children's test scores.

**OUTCOMES:** Consultant's services will result in a cost-efficient method of supporting the application and assessment process for the Chicago Public Schools gifted programs, while making the process transparent, objective and valid.

**COMPENSATION:** Consultant shall be paid on a variable rate scale, as specified in the renewal agreement; total not to exceed the sum of \$325,163.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written renewal agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the renewal agreement. Authorize the Chief Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this renewal agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services contracts, MBE/WBE provisions do not apply to those transactions where the vendor providing services operates as a Not-for Profit organization.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to the Office of Academic Enhancement: \$325,163 Fiscal Year: 2011

Source of Funds: 115

Budget Classification: 10885-115-54125-221013-376611 \$325,163 - FY 2011

Requisition Number: [#]

## **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 June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), 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:** 

Opal L. Walls

Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

Diana S. Ferguson Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: DUL

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Ron Huberman

**Chief Executive Officer** 

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