## APPROVE EXERCISING THE FIRST OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH EDUCATIONAL IDEAS, INC., DBA BALLARD & TIGHE PUBLISHERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF TEST MATERIALS

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the first option to renew the agreement with Educational Ideas, Inc., DBA Ballard & Tighe Publishers for the purchase of test materials for the Department of Student Assessment in the Office of Teaching and Learning at a cost not to exceed \$150,000.00. A written renewal agreement is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Vendor 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.

**VENDOR:** Educational Ideas Inc., DBA Ballard & Tighe Publishers

471 Atlas St. Brea, CA 92821

Contact: Melissa Cortez Telephone No.: 800-321-4332

Vendor #: 97862

**USER:** Department of Student Assessment, Office of Teaching and Learning

125 South Clark Street, 11th Floor

Chicago, IL 60603 Contact: Margaret Bartz

Telephone No.: (773) 553-2430

**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:** The original agreement (authorized by Board Report 09-0826-PR36) in the amount of \$150,000.00 was for a term commencing November 19, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010 with the Board having three options to renew; each for a one year period. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis based on Ballard & Tighe's ability to meet ISBE's requirement of the No Child Left Behind Act.

**OPTION PERIOD:** The term is being extended for one additional year commencing July 1, 2010 and ending June 30 2011.

**OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:** There are two option periods remaining; each for a period of one (1) year.

## **DELIVERABLES:**

- Goods: Oral English language proficiency assessment system consisting of Provider's Pre-IPT (IDEA Proficiency Test) screener materials for Pre-K students (ages 3 and 4 only).
- Quantity: At least one single Pre-IPT test set for every CPS elementary school with a Pre-K program (including charter and contract schools); additional test sets and supplies for schools with significant English Language Learner (ELL) populations that screen large numbers of students (based on historical Home Language Survey ELL identification data provided by IMPACT); additional individual supplies to replace or supplement consumable materials
- ▶ Unit Price: Varies based on item: Test Set with Test Booklets \$213; additional package of consumable Test Booklets \$69 each; additional kit items ranges from \$11-\$48 each.

Total Cost Not to Exceed: \$150,000.00 in the aggregate

**OUTCOMES:** The oral language proficiency assessment materials furnished by Ballard & Tighe are mandated by ISBE for use with pre-K students enrolling for the 2010-11 school year. They evaluate students' oral proficiency in English within the two language domains of listening and speaking. These assessment materials will aid in the initial identification of English language learners and placement of these students into the most appropriate instructional program available. Progress in English oral

language development can be monitored to ensure that each student is achieving appropriate levels of growth and is prepared to achieve gains in a general education classroom without the aid of language support services.

**COMPENSATION:** Vendor shall be paid in accordance with the unit prices contained in the renewal agreement; not to exceed the sum of \$150,000.00.

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

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The M/WBE goals for this contract include 15% total MBE and 5% total WBE. However, the Waiver Review Committee recommends a full waiver of the MBE/WBE participation goals required by the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise participation in Goods and Services Contracts be granted due to the contract being not further divisible.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Citywide Research and Accountability \$150.000.00

Budget Classification: 11290-115-53305-223012-000000 Fiscal Year: 2011

Source of Funds: 115 General Education Fund

## **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 member 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:

Patrick J. Rocks General Counsel Approved:
Ron Huberns

Ron Huberman

**Chief Executive Officer**