May 25, 2011

AUTHORIZE RETENTION OF THE LAW FIRM
HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Retention of the law firm Holland & Knight, LLP.

DESCRIPTION: The General Counsel would like to retain the law firm Holland & Knight, LLP for representation in intellectual property disputes and various transactional matters related to negotiation and implementation of district wide technology projects. Authorization for the firm's services is requested in the amount of $100,000. As invoices are received, they will be reviewed by the General Counsel and, if satisfactory, processed for payment.

LSC REVIEW: LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: None.

FINANCIAL: Charge $100,000.00 to Law Department- Legal and Supportive Service - Professional Services: Budget Classification Fiscal Year 2011...........................10210-115-54125-231101-000000

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.
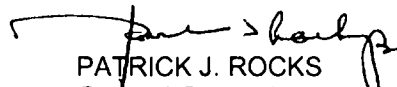
Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board Members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness - The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996, (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.
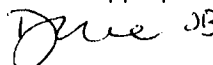
Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004, (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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,

PATRICK J. ROCKS
General Counsel

Within Appropriation:

DIANA FERGUSON
Chief Financial Officer