# APPROVE EXERCISING THE FIRST OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH METRITECH, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF TEST MATERIALS AND RELATED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the first option to renew the agreement with Metritech, Inc. ("Metritech") for the purchase of test materials and related professional development services for the Department of Student Assessment at a total cost for the option period not to exceed \$250,000.00. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Vendor during the option period prior to execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

Contract Administrator: Walls, Miss Opal Lynette / 773-553-2250

CPOR Number: 11-0124-CPOR-1399

#### VENDOR:

1) Vendor # 21151 METRITECH, INC. 4106 FIELDSTONE ROAD CHAMPAIGN, IL 61822 Susan Feldman 217-398-4868

## **USER INFORMATION:**

Project 11210 - Office of Student Assessments

Manager: 125 S Clark Street, 11th Floor

Chicago, IL 60603

Bartz, Miss Margaret Ann

773-553-2320

## **ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:**

The original Agreement authorized by Board Report 11-0223-PR11 in the amount of \$250,000.00 is for a term commencing March 1, 2011 and ending August 31, 2011, with the Board having three options to renew, each for a period of one year. The original agreement was awarded on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-2.

## **OPTION PERIOD:**

The term of this agreement is being extended for one year commencing September 1, 2011 and ending August 31, 2012.

## **OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:**

There are two option periods remaining; each for a period of one (1) year.

#### SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Metritech will continue to provide writing assessments, writing assessment related materials, and professional development services to CPS 7th and 8th grade students and teachers.

# **DELIVERABLES:**

Consultant will continue to provide assessment prompts, answer sheets, pre-ID labels, custom reports, and psychometric services. Metritech will also provide at no additional cost a set of writing prompts that CPS will administer to 7th and 8th grade students throughout the year. Metritech will also provide in-depth professional development to 7th and 8th grade teachers on the scoring of these prompts.

#### **OUTCOMES:**

Vendor's products and services will result in the improved academic achievement of participating students in writing. The writing prompts which are aligned to the writing standards measured by the Illinois Standards Achievement Test and the professional development shall provide teachers and administrators with insights and tools to evaluate and guide writing instruction over the course of the school year. The summative assessment component shall provide benchmarks of student achievement so that administrators and teachers can target students who need intervention and additional resources.

#### COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid during this option period in accordance with the pricing set forth in the written renewal agreement; total compensation not to exceed the sum of \$250,000.00

#### **AUTHORIZATION:**

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written option document. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the option document. Authorize the Chief Officer of Teaching and Learning to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option agreement.

#### **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

The M/WBE goals for this agreement include 25% total MBE and 5% total WBE participation. However, the Waiver Review Committee recommends a waiver of the MBE goal as required by the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts be granted as the scope of the contract is not further divisible.

This vendor has identified the following participation:

## **Total WBE 5%**

Jean Gewin -2% 13547 Lovers Lane Princeton, IL 61835 Gail Bohnenstiehl - 1% 402 West Exchange Crete, IL 60417

Peggy Allan - 1% 211 East Main Greenville, IL 62246 Laura Beltchenko - 1% 930 Crestfield Libertywille, IL 60048

## LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

## FINANCIAL:

Charge to: City-Wide Student Assessment - \$250,000.00 Fiscal Year 2012

Budget Classification: 11290-332-54125-211204-430125

Source of Funds: Title I - Regular

CFDA#: Not Applicable

## **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 May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), 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:

Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

Interim Chief Financial Officer

Approved:

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JÉAN-CLAUDE BRIZARD Chief Executive Officer

PATRICK J. ROCKS

General Counsel