# AUTHORIZE THE FIRST AND SECOND RENEWAL AGREEMENTS WITH THE CHÎCAGO DEBATE COMMISSION FOR THE CHICAGO DEBATE LEAGUE

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the first and second renewal agreements with The Chicago Debate Commission d/b/a Chicago Debates to provide the development of curriculum, technical services and professional development to the Office of Teaching and Learning/Department of Academic Competitions at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. Vendor was selected on a non-competitive basis. This item was presented to the Single/Sole Source Committee on March 3, 2020 and approved by the Chief Procurement Officer. Prior to approval as a Sole Source, the item was published on the Procurement website on March 2, 2020, found here: cps.edu/procurement. The item will remain on the Procurement website until the March 25, 2020 Board Meeting. This process complies with the independent consultant's recommendations for sole source procurements and the Board's "Single/Sole Source Committee Charter." A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to The Chicago Debate Commission d/b/a Chicago Debates 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:

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## **VENDOR:**

1) Vendor # 29954
The Chicago Debate Commission
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Ownership: Non- Profit

# **USER INFORMATION:**

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## **ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:**

The original Agreement authorized by Board Report 17-0524-PR6 in the amount of \$813,000 is for a term commencing July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2020, with the Board having two (2) options to renew for one (1) year terms. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis: the sole-source request was presented to the Non-Competitive Procurement Review Committee and approved by the Chief Procurement Officer.

#### **OPTION PERIOD:**

The term of this agreement is being renewed for two (2) years commencing July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2022.

## **OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:**

There are no option periods remaining.

## **SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

The Chicago Debate Commission (CDC) in partnership with CPS will continue to provide the Office of Teaching and Learning/ Department of Academic Competitions with assistance with the Chicago Debate League (CDL) Debate program that will include curriculum, core files, research materials, debate materials, student and coach professional development, supplies and will secure tournament judges. The curriculum will be aligned with the national initiative and will provide debaters with the debate materials needed to excel academically and enhance critical thinking, research and analytical skills; CDC will serve approximately 95 - 100 schools, serving more than 1,770 students in FY21.

The Chicago Debate Commission (CDC) provides support in each of the following service categories:

- Chicago Middle School Debate League (CMSDL) Technical Consultants
- High School Debate League (CDL) Technical Consultants
- Technical Administrative Consultants
- High School Chicago Debate Judges
- Chicago Middle School Debate League (CMSDL) Judges
- Tournament Meals
- Tournament Awards
- Executive Management Support

# **DELIVERABLES:**

Chicago Middle School Debate League (CMSDL) Technical Consultants: The CDC will provide four consultants to the CMSDL during the FY21 and FY 22 school year/debate seasons between July and June of each year.

High School Chicago Debate League (CDL) Technical Consultants: The CDC will provide six consultants to the CD program during the FY21 and FY 22 school year/debate seasons between July and June of each year.

High School Chicago Debate Judges: CDL Program requires paid judges for 20 tournament days. The CD requires at a minimum 20 middle school judges per tournament day.

Chicago Middle School Debate League (CMSDL) Judges: The CMSDL Program requires paid judges for 5 tournament days. The CMSDL requires at a minimum 25 middle school judges per tournament day.

Tournament Meals: The CDC provides meals at select Tournaments in the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 debate season, as determined by CPS. The events are at the discretion of the Office of Teaching and Learning/ Department of Academic Competitions.

Tournament Awards: The CDC provides awards in debate competitions throughout the debate season.

Executive Management Support: The CDC provides overall executive management for both Middle School and High School Debate for the support for the Chicago Debate League, which is co-leadership of the CDL with CPS, as it relates to working with network chiefs, principals, and external partners (e.g., universities) year-round to communicate, advocate, and solicit support and involvement among key stakeholders and constituents.

CDC services in this area are definable as follows: Consultation and coordination with the Office of Teaching and Learning/ Department of Academic Competitions; Principal outreach, updating, problem-solving, and reporting; Communication and advocacy for the Chicago Debate League within and outside of the CPS school system; External partner cultivation, engagement, and relationship-building; Development and implementation of participation increase strategy; Data Gathering, Assessment and Evaluation of all CD Activities.

## **OUTCOMES:**

Vendor's services will result in the successful implementation of the Chicago Middle School Debate League and the Chicago Debate League season offered through the Office of Teaching and Learning this school year. Students will increase literacy skills, analytical, critical thinking and research skills.

## **COMPENSATION:**

Vendor shall be paid during this option period as follows: \$561,500 for this option period are set forth below: FY21 \$280,750 FY22 \$280,750

## **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 Chief Officer of Teaching and Learning to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option agreement.

## **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services contracts, (M/WBE Program), this contract is exempt as this agreement is for a Not-for-profit organization.

## LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

## FINANCIAL:

Fund 115
Office of Teaching and Learning, Unit 10810
FY21 \$280,750
FY22 \$280,750
Not to exceed \$561,500 for the two (2) year term.
Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval.

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:

JONATHAN MAPLES
Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:

JANICE K. JACKSON Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:

JOSEPH T. MORIARTY General Counsel