

April 25, 2001

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF MARCONI ACADEMY IN AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY TOUR AND AUTHORIZE EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve the participation of 33 Marconi Academy students in an education tour to Detroit, Michigan and Windsor, Canada and authorize expenses related to the program.

**USER:** Marconi Academy  
230 North Kolmar Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60636  
(773) 534-6210  
Contact Person: Betty Houston

**PROGRAM:** In accordance with the Marconi Academy academic program, Marconi will send 33 students and 6 chaperones to the African American History Tour from May 23, 2001 through May 24, 2001.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** This educational tour will expose the students to some events in Black history and provide highlights of African American History through tours of the Motown Museum, Museum of African American History, John Freeman Walls Historic Site and Uncle Tom's Cabin Historic site. The students will be chaperoned by 6 adults, 1 school aide, 3 teachers, and 2 parent volunteers.

The class will write essays, use desk maps of Canada and the United States to reinforce scale - both metric and customary numbers to gauge distances, and they will experience, hands on, activities they have read and studied in social science.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program are being made by Hemisphere Educational Travel Programs, 694 Milwaukee Avenue, Prospect Heights, IL 60070.

**COST:** The cost per pupil/person is \$188 which includes transportation, meals, hotel and cost of health and accident insurance.

**CHAPERONES:** Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 97-1217-PO1 (Policy on Student Travel)", including a proper ratio of students to adults. Doris Ward (teacher), James McDowell (teacher), Mary Johnson-Hummons (teacher), Betty Houston (school aide), Annette Davis (parent volunteer), and Carolyn Staniel-Smith (parent volunteer).

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Marconi Academy.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the President and Secretary to executive any travel arrangements necessary for this program.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS:** Not applicable.

**LSC REVIEW:** This activity was approved by the Marconi Academy Local School Council on February 27, 2001.

**FINANCIAL:** No cost to the Board of Education.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:** Inspector General - Each party to this agreement hereby acknowledges 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 July 26, 2005 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

**Ethics -** The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Approved for Consideration:

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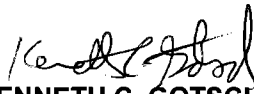


**COZETTE BUCKNEY**  
Chief Education Officer




**PAUL G. VALLAS**  
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:



**KENNETH C. GOTSCH**  
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to Legal Form.



**MARILYN F. JOHNSON**  
General Counsel