

April 25, 2001

APPROVE ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS UNIVERSITIES FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into agreements with four universities (University) that will have their Programs in Occupational Therapy provide occupational therapy services to the Office of Specialized Services at no cost to the Board. These agreements will allow students who are enrolled in each University's Program in Occupational Therapy (Students) the opportunity to gain fieldwork experience by providing occupational therapy services to certain Chicago Public School children whose Individual Education Plans (IEPs) require that they receive occupational therapy services during the school day. A written agreement with each University is currently being negotiated. No University shall provide services prior to the execution of such University's written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each University in the event a written agreement is not executed with such University within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to these agreements is stated below.

- UNIVERSITY:**
1. Chicago State University
Program in Occupational Therapy
9501 South King Drive
Chicago, IL 60628-1598
Lynn Farmer, Fieldwork Coordinator
Fax 773-995-2839
 2. Midwestern University
College of Health Sciences
Occupational Therapy Program
555 31st Street
Downers Grove, IL 60515
Thomas Laster, Program Director
630-515-6188
Fax 630-515-7224
 3. Rush University
Rush -Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center
Department of Occupational Therapy
1653 West Congress Parkway
Chicago, IL 60612-3833
Minetta Wallingford, Fieldwork Director
Phone: 312-942-8721 Fax 312-942-6989
 4. Washington University
Program in Occupational Therapy
4444 Forest Park Avenue
Campus Box 8505
St. Louis, MO 63107
Leise Amann, Assistant Coordinator
Student Clinical and Professional Development
314-286-1639

USER: Office of Specialized Services-Citywide Special Education
125 S. Clark Street-8th Floor
Chicago, IL 60603
Yvonne Williams
773-553-1920

TERM: The term of each agreement shall commence on the date each agreement is signed and shall continue until such time as either party terminates by giving the other party sixty (60) days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Each University will be responsible for and will directly control its educational program in Occupational Therapy. All participating University Students will be under the supervision of a certified Occupational Therapist who is either a Board employee or a Board-hired contractor. If the Board is unable to provide such supervision and so notifies the University, a University faculty member who is a certified Occupational Therapist will supervise its University Students. The University Students will observe the CPS children to whom they are assigned and will provide those Occupational Therapy services identified in such children's IEPs under the direct supervision of a certified Occupational Therapist. During the term of each agreement, the participating University will maintain professional liability insurance at a rate of \$1 million dollars per occurrence and \$3 million dollars aggregate for the acts and omissions of its University Students while participating in this program.

DELIVERABLES: It is anticipated that the University Students from each University will provide services to 1-15 schools, 1-5 days per week. The schedule of schools, dates, times and locations will be determined between the CPS Senior Advisor of Occupational Therapy Services and a faculty member designated by each University's Program in Occupational Therapy. These faculty members will act as the liaison between the University Students from their respective University and the CPS Senior Advisor.

OUTCOMES: The services that the Universities will offer under this program will enable the Board to expand its ability to provide Occupational Therapy services to CPS children and will enable the Board to reallocate funds currently expended on contract Occupational Therapy services.

COMPENSATION: These services will be rendered at no cost to the Board.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreements. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreements. Authorize the Chief Specialized Service Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate these agreements.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable to this Board Report

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

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board. CPS Occupational Therapists will integrate the supervision of the University Students into their current work load.


GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to the agreements 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 agreements 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.

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:



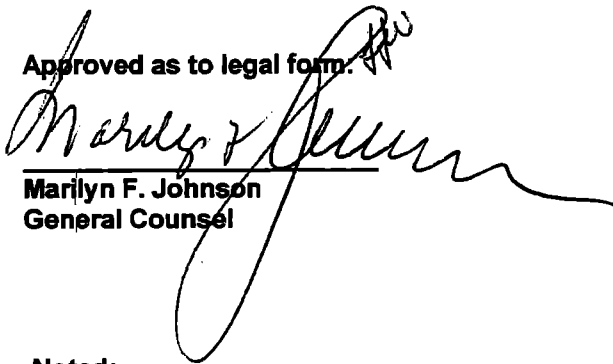
Cozette Buckney
Chief Education Officer

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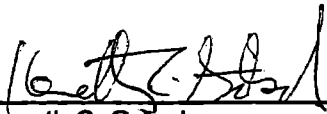
Paul G. Vallas
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel

Noted:



Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer