

April 25, 2001

**APPROVE PAYMENT TO NATIONAL LOUIS UNIVERSITY/CHILDREN'S LITERACY PROJECT  
FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES****THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve payment to National Louis University/Children's Literacy Project for consulting services provided to Daniel J. Corkery School from October 2, 2000 to December 22, 2000 in the amount of \$8,000.00. These services were rendered without prior Board approval and all services have been completed. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of their expertise in providing integrated approach improving students literacy and their experience linking language development through the fine arts. National Louis University has offered these services to the Chicago Public Schools for over seventeen years.

Specifications No.: 01-250044

**CONSULTANT:** National Louis University  
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Chicago, Ill. 60603  
Contact person: Joseph Fisher  
Tel. No.: (312)261-3165  
Vendor No.: 48030

**USER:** Daniel J. Corkery School  
2510 S. Kildare, Chicago, Ill. 60623  
Contact person: Rita A. Stasi, Principal  
Mr. Jose Rodriguez, REO, Region 4  
Tel. No.: 773-534-1650

**PROGRAM:** The Childrens' Literacy Project (Program) of National-Louis University offers an integrated approach to improving students' literacy in reading, writing, and oral expression. The Program is oriented toward students from all cultural, linguistic, and ethnic backgrounds and provides basic instructional activities for students and support services for teachers. The Program links language development and the fine arts (drama, creative writing, visual arts, storytelling, folkdance, music and puppetry). improvement in both cognitive and effective areas (student motivation, attitudes and classroom management) are goals of the Program.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** National-Louis University provided the Program for staff, students and parents utilizing an integrated approach through workshops for teachers, inservice sessions, classroom demonstrations, and direct instruction to students. These workshops, classroom demonstrations and direct service to students integrated language arts and the cultural arts through the use of drama, creative writing, visual arts, storytelling, folkdance, music and poetry.

**DELIVERABLES:** National Louis University provided a folkdance program to 16-25 students per session; 6 sessions per day, two staff development sessions; and, as needed staff development activities, art supplies, costumes and scenery for final performances.

**OUTCOMES:** Consultant's services resulted in a 10% increase of the number of students at or above assigned grade level on ITBS Reading Comprehension Test (00 – 01) for participating students.

**COMPENSATION:** Consultant shall be paid as follows: One lump sum of \$8,000.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** M/WBE review was precluded on this contract due to completed contract performance.

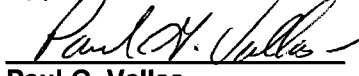
**LSC REVIEW:** This action was approved by the LSC for Daniel J. Corkery School on April 7, 2000.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Daniel J. Corkery School \$8,000      Fiscal Year: 2000-2001  
Budget Classification: 2910-242-227-8274-5410      Source of Funds: I.A.S.A.  
Requisition Number: No requisition has been created at this time.

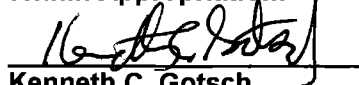
**Approved for Consideration:**

  
Natalye Paquin  
Chief Purchasing Officer

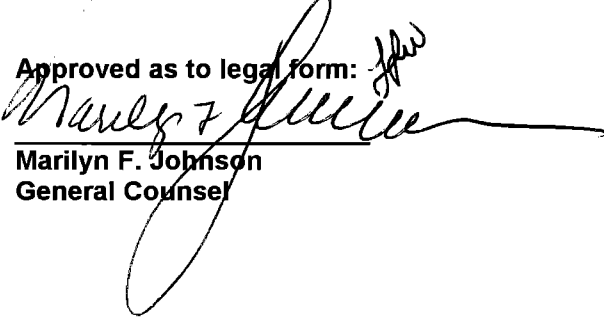
**Approved:**

  
Paul G. Vallas  
Chief Executive Officer

**Within Appropriation:**

  
Kenneth C. Gotsch  
Chief Fiscal Officer

**Approved as to legal form:**

  
Marilyn F. Johnson  
General Counsel