

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CASTLE TECHNOLOGY ONLINE, LLC FOR
CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Castle Technology Online LLC to provide consulting services to Region Three Technology Innovation Challenge Grant teachers and trainers at a cost not to exceed \$60,000. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of its proven leadership in the field of technology training and technology infusion. A written agreement for consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by consultant and no payment shall be made to consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification No.: 01-250209

CONSULTANT: Castle Technology Online LLC
400 North McClurg Court, Suite 3903
Chicago, Illinois 60611
312-467-9906
Contact Person: Joan Kuperstein

USER: Technology Innovation Challenge Grant
231 North Pine Avenue/ Chicago, IL 60644
Lydia C. Nantwi
773-534-6284
Hazel B. Steward, REO Region Three Education Office

TERMS: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end June 30, 2002.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Consultant shall provide technology professional services to Region Three Technology Innovation Challenge Grant teachers, trainers and principals in the area of on line courses in technology. The training will be presented in two parts to develop the basic concepts and skills necessary to both utilize Web based instruction and develop project-oriented assignments for the classroom. Part one of the training will be entitled Internet Essentials and part two will be Project Oriented Learning Using Technology.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant shall provide approximately 60 hours of professional development training both online and in face-to-face class sessions.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services shall result in classroom teachers in all Region Three Schools being able to integrate technology into the curriculum and to utilize the Web to enhance teaching and learning, and principals being able to evaluate a technology rich lesson in a classroom environment.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid the total sum of \$60,000.00, in two equal installments of \$30,000 each. The first payment shall be due at the beginning of the online training and the second payment will be due at the conclusion of the online training.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: The Waiver Review Committee recommends that a partial waiver of the participation goals for this contract that includes:

35 % total MBE, 22% total African American, 10% total Hispanic, 2% total Asian and 5% total WBE

as required by the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) be waived because the contract scope is not further divisible.

The vendor has identified and scheduled the following firms and percentages:

13% African American:

- 1.) World's Printing 233 North Michigan Ave., Chicago, Illinois \$5,000.00/8% certified through 11/1/01
- 2.) IMC Automation 333 E. Ontario, Ste. 310B, Chicago, Illinois \$3,000.00/5% certified through 9/1/02

87% WBE:

Castle Technology 400 N. McClurg Ct., Ste 3903, Chicago, Illinois \$52,000.00/87% applied for certification through 8/28/01

Each identified firm is certified by the City of Chicago/Department of Purchases Contracts and Supplies. The identified firms are subject to change upon approval from the division of Compliance and Vendor Services in the Procurement and Contracts Department without further Board approval.

LSC REVIEW: Not Applicable

FINANCIAL: Charge to Region Three Technology Innovation Challenge Grant \$60,000 FY: 2002
Budget Classification: 0903-239-980-8923-5410 Funds: Technology Innovation Challenge Grant

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 July 26, 1995 (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.

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:


Anita Rocha
Acting Chief Purchasing Officer

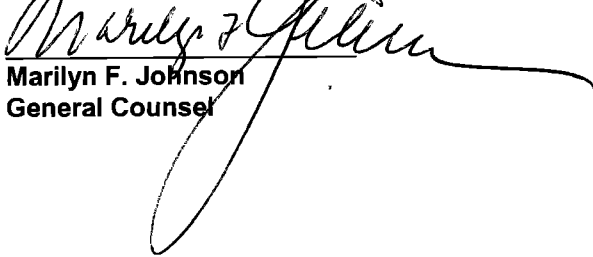
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer *by PAI*

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel