

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH
CHRISTINE E. LA RUE
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Christine E. La Rue to provide consulting services to George B. Armstrong Elementary School at a cost not to exceed \$44,000. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of her expertise in servicing the wide variety of ethnic and cultural groups in the Armstrong School community. Consultant has been providing these services to Armstrong for the past eight (8) years. 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: 03-250149

CONSULTANT: Christine E. La Rue
8238 S. Prairie Ave., Chgo., IL 60619
773-271-8940
Vendor #: 92059

USER: George B. Armstrong Elementary School of International Studies
2110 W. Greenleaf Ave., Chgo, IL 60645
Dr. Arline K. Hersh, Principal
773-534-2150

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on August 29, 2003 and shall end June 27, 2004. This agreement shall have 1 option to renew for a one-year period.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days notice to consultant.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Consultant will provide outreach services to 480 children who are "at risk" in education due to poverty, emotional and/or environmental issues. Consultant will service 480 children through group, family, individual, and teacher contacts and through community referrals and networks. Consultant will provide link-ups with appropriate community agencies and services for children and families in need.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant will provide intervention services to 480 "at risk" children, including outreach to families, community referrals and networking with teachers to further students' academics. Consultant will work six (6) hours a day, five (5) days per week.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services will result in an increase in attendance of 5% for students in this program.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: \$44,000 per year, not to exceed the sum of \$366.66 per day, to be paid on a monthly basis.

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. Authorize the Chief of Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: This contract is in full compliance with the goals required by the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) because the prime is an independent consultant (100% African American).

LSC REVIEW: This action was approved by the Local School Council for Armstrong School on 04-04-03.

FINANCIAL: Charge to George B. Armstrong Elementary: \$44,000
Budget Classification: 2080-242-348-7673-5410

Fiscal Year: 2003-2004
Source of Funds: NCLB

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

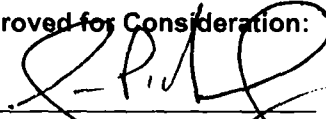
Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

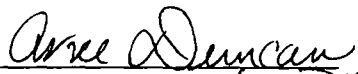
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their 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.


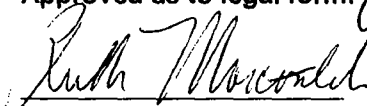
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

Sean P. Murphy
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:

Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:

Peggy Davis
Chief of Staff

Approved as to legal form: 

Ruth Moscovitch
General Counsel