

**RATIFY A GRANT DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT WITH
THE ACADEMY FOR URBAN SCHOOL LEADERSHIP****THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Ratify a grant distribution agreement with the Academy for Urban School Leadership for the distribution of funds received under the Transition to Teaching Program Grant from the U. S. Department of Education in the amount of \$1,535,801. This agreement will authorize the Board to pay funds directly to the Academy for Urban School Leadership to act as the pass-through fiscal agent for the program. The Academy was selected on a non-competitive basis because the Academy is designated by the U. S. Department of Education as the fiscal agent for this program. No payment shall be made to the Academy 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 90 days of the date of this Board report. Information pertinent to this matter is stated below.

Specification No.: 03-250253

FUND RECIPIENT: **Academy for Urban School Leadership**
(an Illinois non-profit education organization)
3400 N. Austin Avenue
Chicago, IL 60634
Contact Person: Madeleine Maraldi
(773) 534-0121
Vendor # 39861

USER/SCHOOL: **The Chicago Academy**
(CPS Unit #6670)
3400 N. Austin Avenue
Chicago, IL 60634
Contact Person: Dr. Donald Feinstein, Principal
(773) 534-3885

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence October 1, 2002 and end September 30, 2007.

GRANT DESCRIPTION: Now in the second year of a five (5)-year grant, the Transition to Teaching Program at The Chicago Academy provides teacher instruction and training, as well as setting up a role model for the administration of various educational components. The grant for the teacher training program provides for the training of teacher interns using skilled and experienced master teachers, with special emphasis on training teachers to serve at-risk pupils in the Chicago Public Schools.

On December 18, 2002, the Board accepted the U. S. Department of Education five (5)-year grant in the amount of \$1,535,801 (Board report 02-1218-ED03, grant item #3), of which the total amount is specified by the U. S. Department of Education for pass-through payments to the organization listed herein.

OUTCOMES: The approval of a grant distribution agreement will allow for the orderly transfer of grant funds to the fiscal agent upon receipt from the U. S. Department of Education during the term of the Transition to Teaching Program.

COMPENSATION: The sum of \$1,585,801 shall be paid to the Academy over a five (5)-year period in accordance with the schedule shown below in the "Financial" section.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: Pursuant to section 3.7 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE), this contract is exempt from review because it is a critical need.

FINANCIAL: Charge an aggregate total of \$1,535,801 over the five (5)-year term of the grant to The Chicago Academy, according to the following schedule:

\$310,611	October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003	6670-239-477-7624-5410
\$312,476	October 1, 2003 through September 30, 2004	6670-239-953-7624-5410
\$306,926	October 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005	6670-239-xxx-7624-5410
\$305,372	October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006	6670-239-xxx-7624-5410
\$300,416	October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2007	6670-239-xxx-7624-5410

Source of Funds: U. S. Department of Education Grant Funds

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

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each part 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.

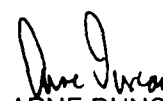
Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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

Approved for Consideration:



HEATHER CROSSLEY
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:


ARNE DUNCAN
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


JOHN MAIORCA
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 


RUTH MOSCOVITCH
General Counsel