

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ADVANCEMENT VIA INDIVIDUAL
DETERMINATION FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) to provide consulting services to the Office of High School Programs at a cost not to exceed \$60,000. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of its unique qualifications to pursue Goal 4 of the Chicago Public Schools Education Plan. 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 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

CONSULTANT: Advancement Via Individual Determination
2300 Henderson Mill Road
Suite 330
Atlanta, GA 30345
Contact Person: Dr. Barbara Smith
Vendor No: 38569

USER: Office of High School Programs
125 S. Clark Street, 9th Floor
Chicago, IL 60603
Phone: 773-553-3540
Contact Person: Donald R. Pittman

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence upon signing of a written agreement and shall end June 30, 2005. This agreement shall have 2 options to renew for periods of 1 year each. The cost of each renewal period will be negotiated at the time of such renewal based on the number of schools served.

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

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Consultant will provide a course for students in twenty high schools (Bogan, Crane, Dunbar, DuSable, Gage Park, Robeson, Kelly, Orr, Best Practice, Fenger, Kelvyn Park, Kenwood, Julian, Corliss, Tilden, North Grand, Harlan, Foreman, Mather and Taft) to prepare them to be eligible and accepted into four-year colleges. Students participating in the course must be enrolled in college preparatory classes and will select AVID as an elective class. The AVID elective class will further prepare students to handle college level classes. In addition, tutoring support will be made available to students participating in the course. Students with grade point averages between 2.0-3.4 will be the targeted population. Last year the AVID program was piloted in 8 CPS high schools, this year it will expand to 12 additional CPS high schools with a total of 2,500 students participating in the AVID program.

DELIVERABLES: AVID Center agrees to provide support to Chicago Public Schools through designated area personnel and the AVID Center office, including:

- ongoing AVID program development;
- training for the designated area personnel through the two-year Regional Development Center (RDC) program;
- AVID Center technical assistance and administrative support for the designated district personnel via telephone and Internet;
- coordination with the designated district personnel to review the quality of implementation at each AVID site through the certification process;
- assistance in disseminating information about AVID to potential new AVID middle school and high school sites within Chicago Public Schools;
- permission to reproduce student activity materials;
- an AVID yearbook and ACCESS academic journals for area offices and each school;

- electronic newsletters and access to membership areas of AVID Center website;
- students attend class and tutorials twice a week and group workshops once a week.

OUTCOMES: It is expected that at each school site with active participation in the AVID program will result in increased enrollment of students taking college preparatory classes as a requirement of program participation; 85% of student participants attaining grades to qualify for college admission; increased enrollment of students taking Advanced Placement courses or participation in an IB program, if offered at school; an 85% increase in the number of students academically eligible to attend four-year college institutions; and improved the teacher methodology and pedagogy by school-wide student support.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: \$60,000 paid in full by October 31, 2004.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: The participation goal provisions of the Plan do not apply to transactions where the vendor is a not-for-profit organization and there is no opportunity for direct or indirect participation of M/WBE's.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Office of High School Programs	Fiscal Year: 2005
Budget Classification: 0470-210-000-1720-5410	\$60,000

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.

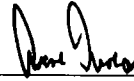
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

Approved:

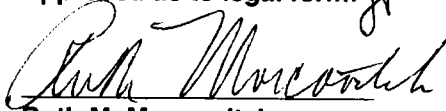


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Malorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 


Ruth M. Moscovitch
General Counsel