

December 15, 2004

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APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF LINCOLN PARK HIGH SCHOOL IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR OF COSTA RICA, CENTRAL AMERICA AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of thirty (30) Lincoln Park High School students in an educational tour of Costa Rica, Central America from March 18, 2005, through March 26, 2005, and authorize travel expenses related to the program.

USER: Lincoln Park High School
2001 N. Orchard Street Mall
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Dr. Bessie Karvelas

PROGRAM: In conjunction with the international student population and the study of language and culture, Lincoln Park High School will send 30 students of Spanish plus four chaperones and five teachers to selected cities in Costa Rica.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: Students will learn not only the culture, history, customs and traditions of Costa Rica, but will also be immersed in the Spanish Language. All students are currently enrolled in Spanish. Students will have the opportunity to expand their knowledge of the Spanish Language and the customs and history of Costa Rica.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by EF Educational Tours. Participants will travel Continental Airlines, O'Hare to San Jose to O'Hare.

COST: The per pupil cost is \$1,715.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel accommodations, health and accident insurance coverage providing protection against bodily injury or death.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01 (Policy on Student Travel) including proper ratio of students to adults.

The chaperones traveling with students will be Manuel Verdugo (teacher), Elizabeth Villagomez (teacher), Francisco Borrás (teacher), Luzmaris Cruz (teacher), Marcie Frasz (teacher), Donna Verdugo (parent), Mr. & Mrs. Rollins (parents) and Jovita Pacheco (parent).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Lincoln Park High School.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any travel agreements necessary for this program.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This activity was approved by Lincoln Park LSC on October 7, 2004.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to any 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 – Any 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 any 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 any agreement.

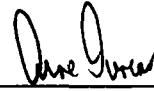
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal Year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

Approved:



BARBARA EASON-WATKINS
Chief Education Officer



ARNE DUNCAN
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:


JOHN MAIORCA
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 


RUTH MOSCOVITCH
General Counsel