

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF NORTHSIDE COLLEGE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL
IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO P.R. CHINA AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES
RELATED TO THE PROGRAM**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the Participation of twelve (12) Northside College Preparatory High School students in an Educational Tour to P.R. China from March 18 through March 27, 2005 and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

USER: Northside College Preparatory High School
5501 North Kedzie, Ave. Chicago IL 60625
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Dr. James Lalley, Principal and Haiyan Fu, Teacher

PROGRAM: A study abroad trip to China for the students at Northside College Preparatory High School from March 18 through March 27, 2005.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: The program, an international travel and study, is committed to ensuring cultural understanding through the Global Initiatives, a variety of educational experiences. The purpose is to expose students to cultural differences from their own, to expand awareness of the concept of the global community, to increase world understanding through indigenous experiences, to enhance language skills, to promote world peace through tolerance of differences, and to facilitate curricular concepts and cross-cultural connections. To this end, Northside College Preparatory study abroad program have been designed, thus the trip to China is proposed and planned.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by Hope Education Foundation, 533 S. Atlantic BLVD, Suite 206, Monterey Park, CA 91754. Contact phone: (626) 300-3888, e-mail: info@hope-edu.org. Website : www.hope-edu.org. The trip includes visit to Beijing – the Capital as well as historical and cultural center of China, Shanghai-most industrious and well-developed economic center, Suzhou-the traditional garden town, and Zhouzhuang-a historical town built on water. The dates for the trip are from March 18 to March 27, 2005 during the CPS' spring break.

COST: The per pupil/person cost is \$ 1900.00 which includes international and internal transportation, meals, hotel, passport and visa costs, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, entertainment, etc. The costs will be paid by student's family.

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.

Traveling with students is Haiyan Fu (teacher), Leon Lim (teacher), and Sharon Reyes (parent).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Northside College Preparatory High School.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

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

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board at this time.

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:



BARBARA EASON-WATKINS
Chief Education Officer

Approved:



ARNE DUNCAN
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



JOHN MAIORCA *oc*
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: *JMV*



RUTH M. MOSCOVITCH
General Counsel