

RATIFY AN AGREEMENT WITH COMPUTER SERVICES AND CONSULTING, INCORPORATED FOR HEADSPROUT EARLY READING, AN INTERNET-BASED INSTRUCTIONAL READING PROGRAM**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Ratify an agreement with Computer Services and Consulting, Incorporated ("Vendor") to provide Headsprout Early Reading, an Internet-based instructional reading program to the Office of Specialized Services at a cost not to exceed \$59,100.00. The CPOR to authorize Vendor's services was approved October 6, 2007 (CPOR #07-1006-CPOR-376). The Headsprout Website Online Terms of Use require the Board to indemnify Headsprout, Inc. Board authority to indemnify the on-line provider is required before the Board may execute the agreement with the Vendor. The Vendor is currently providing Headsprout Early Reading. Vendor was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 5-4.1. A written agreement for Vendor's services is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Vendor prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this document is stated below.

VENDOR: Computer Services and Consulting, Incorporated d/b/a CSC Learning
1613 South Michigan Ave
Chicago, IL 60616
Contact: Caroline Sanchez Crozier
Phone: 312/360-1100
Vendor #41798

USER: Office of Specialized Services
125 S. Clark Street, 8th Floor
Chicago, IL 60603
Contact: Kenneth Papineau
Phone: 773/553-1830

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on September 5, 2007 and shall end September 4, 2008. The Board shall have 2 options to renew this agreement for periods of twelve (12) months each.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Vendor provides licenses, professional development and technical assistance to the Office of Specialized Services pursuant to the Illinois-ASPIRE grant for the Headsprout Early Reading Intervention program ("Program"). This Program will provide intensive support to build literacy skills of students grades kindergarten through third in the ten Illinois-ASPIRE demonstration sites.

DELIVERABLES: Vendor provides 540 student licenses for the Program to target students in need of intensive academic support in reading grades kindergarten through third. Each license will consist of 80 lessons for each student. Vendor provides Headsprout Print Materials with student licenses that include progress monitoring maps, sets of 12 Headsprout Readers (in color), Teacher's Guides, Duplication masters and classroom progress charts. Vendor provides an initial professional development for kindergarten through third grade staff from demonstration sites through half-day sessions.

OUTCOMES: Vendor's services will result in software and site licenses that will assist students read at a mid-second grade level, achieve a vocabulary of over 5,000 words and build a repertoire of comprehension strategies.

COMPENSATION: Vendor shall be paid in accordance with the agreement; not to exceed the amount of \$59,100.00.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement, including Board indemnification of the Internet-based program licensor, Headsprout, Inc., to be limited to student users' data entry or on-line submissions to the program and use of the site. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Chief Specialized Services Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts, this contract is exempt from MBE/WBE review, as funding for the agreement is provided through the Illinois-ASPIRE grant.

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

FINANCIAL:

Charge to Office of Specialized Services: \$59,100.00

Fiscal Year: 2008

Budget Classification: 11610-220-54505-221030-463122

Source of Funds: Illinois-ASPIRE

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.

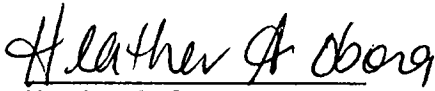
Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one- year period following expiration or other termination of their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

Indebtedness - The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

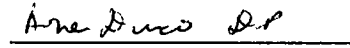
Contingent Liability - The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:



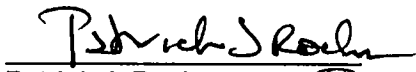
Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Pedro Martinez
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel