

**RATIFY ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH AND APPROVE PAYMENT TO THE BOARD OF
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON FOR THE PURCHASE OF TEST
MATERIALS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify entering into an agreement with and approve payment in the amount of \$110,000.00 to the WIDA Consortium (World Class Instructional Design and Assessment) of the University of Wisconsin for the purchase of test materials for Office of Research, Evaluation, and Accountability. The total compensation to be paid to the university shall not exceed \$250,000.00, which includes the \$110,000.00 amount for materials ordered and delivered prior to the date of this Board Report. No additional materials shall be ordered and no payment above \$110,000.00 shall be made prior to execution of the written agreement. Vendor was selected on a non-competitive basis by ISBE because the vendor is a non-profit cooperative of nineteen states working together to meet the requirements of No Child Left Behind for English Language Learners. A written agreement for this purchase is currently being negotiated. 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.

VENDOR:

1)
University Of Wisconsin-Madison Center On
Education And Work
1025 West Johnson Street., Rom 964
Madison, Wi 53706
Meredith Trahan
608-262-0516

Vendor # 96973

USER:

Research, Evaluation & Accountability
125 S Clark St - 11th Floor
Chicago, IL 60603
Mariann Lemke
773-553-2441

TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence on June 8, 2009 and shall end June 30, 2010. This agreement shall have three (3) options to renew for periods of one (1) year each.

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

DESCRIPTION OF PURCHASE:

Goods: Academic language proficiency assessment system consisting of Provider's MODEL (Measure of Developing English Language) for Kindergarten screener materials for grades Pre-K (age 4 only), Kindergarten, and first semester grade 1.

Quantity: At lease one single MODEL kit for every CPS elementary school (including charter and contract schools); additional kits and individual supplies for schools with significant ELL populations that screen large numbers of students (based on historical screener usage data provided by IMPACT).

Unit Price: Varies based on item: Single kit - \$130; Double kit - \$180; additional package of Student Response Booklets and Student Score Sheets - \$40 each; additional kit items - ranges from \$7.25 - \$25 each.

Total Cost not to exceed: \$250,000.00.

OUTCOMES:

The academic language proficiency assessment materials furnished by WIDA are mandated by ISBE for use with students enrolling for the 09-10 school year. These assessment materials will aid in the identification and placement of English language learners. They will provide evaluations of students' abilities in all four language domains (Listening, Speaking, Writing, and Reading) as well as Social and Instructional English and academic language corresponding to the subject areas of Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. Additionally they are part of a complete ELL support system that includes curricular and instructional guidance for schools based on the ELP standards and CAN DO Descriptors. Increases in English language proficiency and progress will be monitored to ensure that each student is achieving appropriate levels of growth and is prepared to achieve gains in a general education classroom without the aid of language support services. In addition, the reporting service furnished by WIDA will provide teachers and administrators with a comprehensive analysis of their students' language proficiency growth between grade levels.

COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid in accordance with the unit prices set forth in the agreement; total not to exceed the amount of \$250,000.

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 of the Office of Research, Evaluation and Accountability to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services contracts, the MBE/WBE participation goal provisions do not apply to transactions where the vendor providing services operates as a not-for-profit organization.

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Charge to Citywide - Research & Accountability

11290-115-53305-223012-000000-2010

\$250,000.00

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.

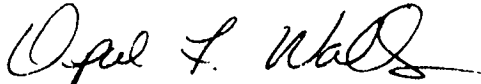
Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their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



Opal L. Walls
Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:



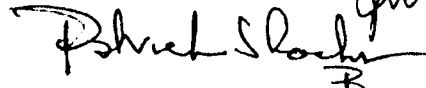
PEDRO MARTINEZ
Chief Financial Officer

Approved:



Ron Huberman
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:



PATRICK J. ROCKS
General Counsel