

APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF BRITISH AIRWAYS ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS IN AN EDUCATION TOUR OF LONDON, ENGLAND AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of five (5) essay contest winners from grade levels four through eight, to travel to London, England from July 8, 2001 through July 14, 2001.

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PROGRAM: In conjunction with the Department of Instruction for Reading, Language Arts, and Social Science, British Airways will send five (5) essay contest winners from grades four through eighth to tour London, England. Winners will each receive two (2) economy round-trip tickets from Chicago to London for themselves and one parent or legal guardian.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: Chicago Public Schools and British Airways believe that the tour to London by this year's contest winners will increase future participation in the essay contest, enhance students' motivation to learn, and provide them with the opportunity to apply reading, writing, and research skills. It will enable them to experience public acknowledgement of academic excellence, the opportunity to share a learning experience with their parents, and the opportunity to learn more about the world through travel.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by British Airways.

COST: The per pupil cost is \$5,800.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel, theater tickets, half day sight seeing tour, health and accident insurance.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board report 97-1217-PO1 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults. Touring with the students will be Dr. Judith Foster (Director), Ms. Carol Brown (British Airways Rep), Ms. Charrese Caldwell (Parent), Ms. Patricia Nunez (Parent), Mr. Sam Rosby (Parent), Mr. Bernard Meehan (Parent) and Lodia Zaya (parent).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file in the Department of Instruction for Reading, Language Arts, and Social Science.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Chicago Public Schools.

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.

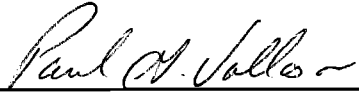
Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of any agreement.

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:

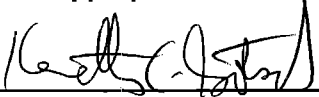
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Cozette Buckney
Chief Education Officer

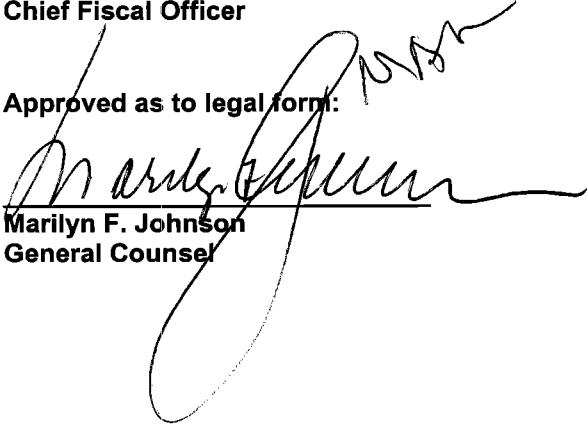
Paul G. Vallas
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel