

**APPROVE PAYMENT TO POWER READING
FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve payment to Power Reading who provided consulting services to 120 teachers and 26 selected Region 3 Schools (Austin HS, Herbert, Howland, Mason, Calhoun North, Crane Tech, Ericson, Frazier, Henson, Jefferson T, Jones, Kellman, Lawndale, Marconi, Marshall, Medill, Revere, Spencer, Webster, Bethune, Chalmers, Dodge, Ellington, King, Lathrop and Pope Elementary Schools) and Dunbar High School in Region 4 April 1, 2000 to June 30, 2000 in the amount of \$30,599.00. These services were rendered without prior Board approval and all services have been completed. Consultant was selected because of their exemplary success at Sean, Amundsen, Lincoln Park and Future Commons High Schools.

Specification No.: 01-250037

CONSULTANT: Power Reading
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(630) 521-9402
Vendor No.: 92149

USER: Region 3 Education Office
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Chicago, Illinois 60644
Contact Person: Dr. Hazel B. Steward/REO
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SCOPE OF SERVICES: The consultant provided four (4) two and one half hour sessions at each of the 26 Schools in Region 3 and Dunbar High School in Region 4 to improve students' reading abilities. The 10 hours were scheduled into four sessions: Understanding Present Skills, Breaking Old Habits and Learning New Skills, Improving Comprehension and Recall and Four Steps to Faster Reading and Better Comprehension.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant taught approximately 120 teachers and 1,600 students for 2.5 hours per day, Tuesdays through Fridays.

OUTCOMES: Students increased their initial reading rate by 2,3, or 4 times with better comprehension.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid the sum of \$30,599.00.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: M/WBE review was precluded on this contract due to completed contract performance.

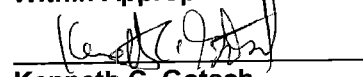
LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Region 3: \$ 22,599 Fiscal Year: 2001
Budget Classification: 0903-242-227-7673-5410 \$20,000
Budget Classification: 0903-280-365-0302-5410 \$ 2,599
Charge to Dunbar High School \$8,000 Fiscal Year: 2001
Budget Classification: 1030-234-703-6221-5410

Approved for Consideration:


Natalye Paquin
Chief Purchasing Officer


Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved:


Paul G. Vallas
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel