

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CORETTA MCFERREN FOR
CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Coretta McFerren to provide consulting services for the Parent & Community Training Academy (PCTA), School and Community Relations at a cost not to exceed \$73,830.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis due to consultant's unique skills, experience, contacts as a community organizer and sensitivity to the needs, issues, abilities and resources to enhance continuity in the development of the parents. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by consultant and no payment shall be made to consultant 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 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specifications No.: 01-250129

CONSULTANT: Coretta McFerren
16814 Wausau Court
South Holland, Illinois 60473
Phone No: 708-596-9743
Vendor #: 84373

USER: Parent and Community Training Academy
School Community Relations
3830 S. Cottage Grove Ave.
Chicago, IL 60653
Contact person: Dr. Kimberly Muhammad-Earl
Tel. No.: (773) 553-6600

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end June 30, 2002

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Consultant will provide consulting services to PCTA including training, technical assistance and support to the various programs and parents who work in the programs. In addition consultant will provide 3-5 days per week the following essential services to the PCTA program:

- Providing parents with the necessary skills, tools, and abilities to enhance their children's learning at home and in school
- Encouraging successful parent-child interactions and communications
- Supporting parents in their skill development and life skills training for personal growth and employment placement
- Increasing parental involvement in the community with policy and decision-making
- Developing a mechanism to provide whole family education to communities at large

DELIVERABLES: Consultant will provide weekly reports to the director of Parent and Community Training Academy.

OUTCOMES: Participants will increase parental awareness of community policing programs, gang and drug prevention, and domestic violence and to help their children with these issues; Improve literacy and job-readiness skills and in increased participation in school activities; Improve parent's life skills, job readiness, work experience and job opportunities; Increase in professional growth and development of parents' academic and skill levels; Increase performance on schoolwork and test scores; Improve self-esteem and increase awareness of how to live more fulfilling lives and how to get along with their peers and develop a respect for self and others Increase literacy and improvement in self-esteem and a decrease in behavioral and discipline problems; and Improve grades and test scores of student.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: \$300.00 per day, not to exceed \$73,830.00.

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.

LSC REVIEW: Not applicable to this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: M/WBE participation for Independent Contractors Is determined on an aggregated basis and reported in the M/WBE Monthly Report. M/WBE participation: 100% Black, 0% Hispanic, 0% Asian, 0% WBE, and 0% Non-Minority.

FINANCIAL: Charge to School and Community Relations-PCTA \$73,830.00 FY - 2002
Budget Classification 0130-210-000-8010-5410 Source of Fund: General Educational

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 July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the 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 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).

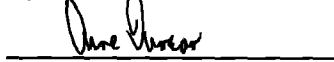
Approved for Consideration:


Natalie Paquin
Chief Purchasing Officer

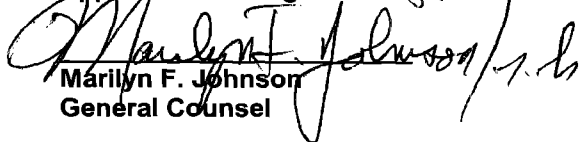
Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel