

**RATIFY THE EXERCISING OF THE OPTION TO RENEW THE EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH
HARVEST TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify the exercising of the option to renew the existing agreement with Harvest Technologies, Inc. ("Harvest") to provide consulting services to the Office of Technology Services at a cost not to exceed \$166,400.00. These services were renewed without prior Board authority. A renewal agreement exercising this option for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Consultant during the option period prior to the execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within ninety (90) days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

SPECIFICATION NO.: 00-250667

CONSULTANT: Harvest Technologies, Inc.
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Chicago, Illinois 60630
Telephone No. 773-283-2250
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Vendor No. 29094

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Chicago, Illinois 60603
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Chief Technology Officer
Arlene Love
Deputy CTO – Operations
Telephone: 773-553-1300

ORIGINAL AGREEMENT: The original Consulting Agreement in the amount of \$206,000.00 (authorized by Board Report 00-0823-PR55) is for a term commencing August 24, 2000 and ending August 23, 2001, with the Board having the option to renew the agreement for an additional 12-month period at a cost not to exceed \$166,400.00. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis because Consultant has provided quality services to the Board since 1998.

OPTION PERIOD: The term of this agreement is being extended for twelve months commencing August 24, 2001 and ending August 23, 2002.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING: There are no option periods remaining.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board has the right to terminate this agreement with a thirty (30) day written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Harvest will continue to provide the following technical services:

Support new IBM domain name services / dynamic host configuration protocol servers

- Support IBM proxy and dispatcher servers
- Maintain virtual private network services
- Provide second-tier support for dial-up services, including authentication server hardware/software maintenance and Cisco AS-5300 maintenance
- Configure and maintain the Cisco secure PIX firewall
- Develop and improve the WAN Group interface with the CPS Helpdesk
- Provide the initial setup of the network probes, for the purpose of network traffic analysis and monitoring

DELIVERABLES: Harvest will continue to provide a weekly status report for each of the bulleted items as described in the scope of services.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services will result in maintenance and enhancement of the Chicago Public Schools LAN/WAN initiative.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid during the option period as follows: \$80.00 per hour, not to exceed the sum of \$166,400.00.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

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 Technology Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: As a condition of this award, this firm agrees to comply with the provisions of the Revised Remedial Plan for M/WBE Economic Participation and agrees to make every effort to achieve full compliance with the goals for this program. The M/WBE goals for this program/project are: 0% Total MBE, 0% Black, 0% Hispanic, 0% Asian and 100% WBE.

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

FINANCIAL:	Charge to the Office of Technology Services:	\$166,400.00	FY02
	Budget Classifications: 0960-210-000-7536-5410	\$158,400.00	FY02
	Budget Classification: 0960-210-000-1116-5410	\$8,000.00	FY01 PO#C944561

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.

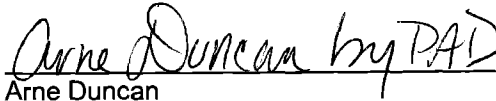
Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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:


 Natalye Paquin
 Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:


 Arne Duncan
 Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


 Kenneth C. Gotsch
 Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:


 Marilyn F. Johnson
 General Counsel