

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MCKEON & ASSOCIATES FOR
CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with McKeon & Associates to provide consulting services to the Office of the Chief Executive Officer at a cost not to exceed \$75,000.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis due to Consultant's extensive experience and unique qualifications in educational research. Since 1998, this Consultant has conducted research for the Chicago Public Schools on parent and community involvement. A written agreement for these services is currently being negotiated. Consultant shall provide no services 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 agreement is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

SPECIFICATION NO.: 01-250187

VENDOR: McKeon & Associates
653 Glenwood Avenue
Joliet, IL 60435
Contact Person: Cherlyn Robinson
(773) 233-0484
Vendor No. 29830

USER: Office of the Chief Executive Officer
125 S. Clark, 5th floor
Chicago, IL 60603
Contact Person: Arne Duncan
(773) 553-1500

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end twelve months thereafter.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: McKeon & Associates, a market research firm with experience in educational research, will conduct surveys and strategic analyses of public attitudes in three targeted areas. These will include research to determine ways the school system can help parents and guardians of Chicago Public School students become more involved with their children's education; research to examine Chicago Public School teachers' evaluation of the level of preparedness of the students they receive at the beginning of each school year; and a survey of teacher needs in order to develop a more effective teacher support system. The research findings will assist staff in planning and identifying strategic programs of support designed to improve student achievement and teacher performance.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant will submit reports of findings to the Chief Executive Officer as data are collected and analyzed.

OUTCOMES: The findings of the various surveys and analyses will provide staff with information needed to plan and identify strategic programs of support designed to improve student achievement and teacher performance.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as periodic invoices are submitted and verified, in amounts not to exceed a total of \$75,000.00.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Vendor agrees to comply with and be bound by the provisions of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Economic Participation (M/WBE Plan).

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to City-wide General Education: \$75,000.00
Budget Classification: 0950-210-000-1005-5410

Fiscal Year: 2002
Source of Funds: Educational Fund

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 Board of Trustees 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.

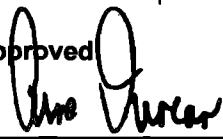
Ethics – The Board’s Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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:

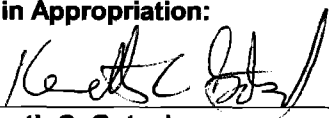


Natalye Paquin
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved 

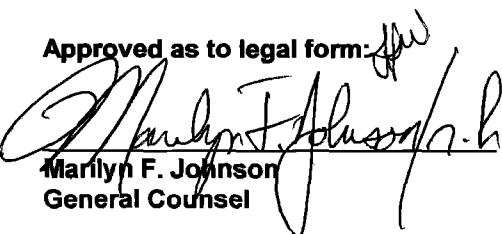
Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel