

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH STEVEN NEMEROVSKI
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Stephen Nemerovski to provide consulting services to the Bureau of Government Relations at a cost not to exceed \$50,000. Consultant was selected on non-competitive basis because of his unique qualifications and past accomplishments with the Chicago Public Schools. Consultant has lobbied for CPS since 1999 and coordinates with the Department of Specialized Services on a variety of regulatory healthcare/Medicaid issues. 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 agreement is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

CONSULTANT: Steven Nemerovski
One IBM Plaza, Suite 3000
Chicago, IL 60611
312/755-3161
Vendor # 93655

USER: Bureau of Government Relations
125 South Clark Street
Chicago, IL 60603
Richard Guidice
(773) 553-1536

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end 12 months thereafter. This agreement shall have two options to renew for periods of one year each. The cost for each option period will not exceed the hourly rate of \$200.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right to terminate the agreement with 30 days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: The consultant will serve as a state lobbyist for the Chicago Public Schools on CPS' state legislative agenda as well as administrative and regulatory issues in state agencies and departments. These activities include but are not limited to GASB 33 legislation (HB210 currently residing in the Senate Rules Committee) that impacts accounting standards related to earmarking revenue from certain reimbursement grants from the State; the capital improvement tax legislation that authorizes the City of Chicago to levy a tax to increase the revenue stream funding the Capital Improvement Program's debt service similar to other school districts; veto of HB 1536 related to increased educational requirements for support staffing for speech/hearing testing of CPS students; and a resolution (HJR 26 currently residing in Senate Rules Committee) regarding the creation of a task force to review legislative actions and financing options for mental health services for CPS students.

DELIVERABLES: In addition to lobbying efforts pertaining to legislation currently underway, Consultant will be active on future legislative matters affecting the Chicago Public Schools and in developing materials and coordinating campaign to educate legislature on Chicago Public Schools role in social services.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's lobbying efforts will result in simplifying Medicaid administrative processes through favorable legislation, and expanded interpretations of the law to allow for more Medicaid funding for more of our students, and health and social services. Consultant's efforts will also result in a legislative agenda that fulfills CPS financial requirements.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: \$200 per hour, not to exceed the sum of \$50,000 per year.

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

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

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of School Financial Services: \$50,000
Budget Classification: 0200-210-000-7892-5410

Fiscal Year: 2002
Source of Funds: General 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 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:

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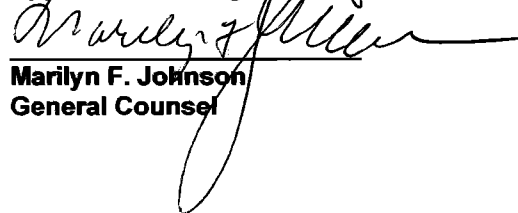

Anita Rocha
Acting Chief Purchasing Officer


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Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel