

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH STEFANIE GEHRIG
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Stefanie Gehrig to provide consulting services to the Office of Language, Cultural and Early Childhood Education at a cost not to exceed \$16,700. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of her experience and expertise in artistic web design. No services shall be provided by Consultant and no payment shall be made to Consultant prior to the execution of a 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:

Stefanie Gehrig
1733 West Irving Park # 502
Chicago, IL 60613
(773) 960-7551
Vendor # 33339

USER:

Language, Cultural and Early Childhood Education
125 South Clark Street
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Armando M. Almendarez
(773) 553-1930

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end 12 months thereafter.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Consultant will upgrade the CPS Art Collection web site to improve navigation, design and consistency throughout site and conduct image optimization for smaller files and faster download. Consultant will also refine the web design to be consistent with a fine art web site, utilizing thumbnail images to give users preview of artworks in the CPS art collection. Upon request, consultant will provide website hosting services.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant will provide the following website modifications:

- Create consistent navigation and header art on each page of web site.
- Redesign the appearance of the web site to reflect an artistic aesthetic.
- Program web site in HTML and CGI.
- Create search form and guest book for requests, comments and suggestions.
- Make search engines available on site to do search by school.
- Create and utilize thumbnail images to give users preview of artworks in CPS art collection.
- Generate random images on static pages, new images are shown each time the user visits the page.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services shall result in a better, more efficient user-friendly web site where the CPS art collection can be showcased and accessed. Searches will be more efficient, clear and have significantly shorter download time. A clean consistent design will make it easier to navigate the various sections of the site. This upgrade will allow for multiple tasks: easier updating of informational text and images, facilitate communication with CPS art collection staff.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: two equal payments not to exceed \$16,700. The first payment will be made upon the signing of contract and final payment upon completion of work.

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 Board Secretary 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, 100% WBE, 0% Non-Minority

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Language, Cultural and Early Childhood Education: \$16,700. Fiscal Year 2001
Budget Classification: 0930-210-000-1523-5410 Source of Funds: Citywide Fund #210

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.

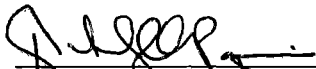
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their 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 part of the agreement.

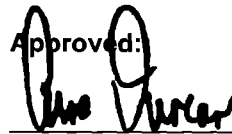
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



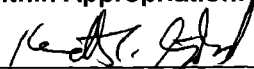
Natalye Paquin
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:



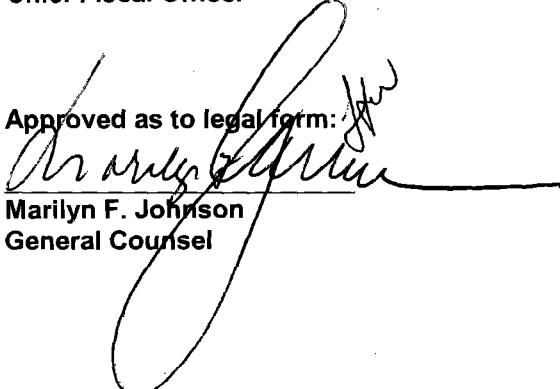
Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel