

AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE AND APPROVE PAYMENT OF CTA FARE CARDS AND TRANSFERS**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Authorize the purchase and approve payment of fare cards from the Chicago Transit Authority ("CTA") at a cost not to exceed \$620,000.00 and approve the purchase of CTA transfers at a cost not to exceed \$80,000.00. The fare cards and transfers are required pursuant to a court order in Case # 92 CH 5703 *Salazar V. Edwards*, which mandates that the Chicago Board of Education provide transportation services to homeless students in accordance with the Illinois Education For Homeless Children Act. No contract is required for this purchase. Information pertinent to this purchase is stated below.

This Board Report also authorizes the use of Amalgamated Bank or any other financial institution to receive checks/warrants for conversion to small cash denominations for students to purchase CTA transfers which are not included in the CTA fare card provided such cash conversion service is at no charge to the Board.

Specifications no.: 01-250193

VENDOR: Chicago Transit Authority
Vendor #: 11976
Merchandise Mart Plaza
Contact person: Mike Farrell
Phone: (312) 664-7200

USER: Office of Schools and Regions
125 South Clark Street, 10th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Contact person: Mary Kelly Dowd
Phone: (773) 553-2242

DESCRIPTION OF PURCHASE:

Goods: Half-fare student transit cards, student riding permits, seven-day and, adult single-ride transit cards.

Quantity: Varies as dictated by the number of homeless claims at the school level.

Unit Price: Packs of student transit cards are \$ 13.50 each, student riding permits are \$5. each, seven-day passes at \$20 each, adult single-ride transit cards at \$1.50 each.

Total Cost: Not to exceed \$620,000.00 for CTA fare cards and \$80,000 for CTA transfers.

Purchase Period: August 23, 2001 – June 30, 2002.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Exempt

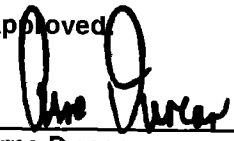
LSC APPROVAL: Not applicable

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Office of Schools and Regions \$ 700,000.00
Funding Sources: ISBE Stewart B. McKinney Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program–
FY02 and the general fund.
Budget Classifications: 0953 239 279 7710 5520 \$200,000.
0953 210 000 7710 5520 \$500,000.

Approved for Consideration:


Natalye Paquin
Chief Purchasing Officer

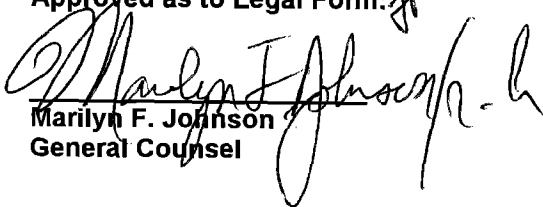
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel