

**RATIFY A GRANT DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT WITH, AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO,  
ILLINOIS MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE ACADEMY (IMSA)**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Ratify a grant distribution agreement with Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (IMSA) for the distribution of funds received under the Improvement of Education Grant from the U. S. Department of Education (U.S. DOE). Authorize payment of funds as the pass-through fiscal agent of \$1,483,475.00 to the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy. No payment shall be made prior to the execution of a written grant distribution agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board report. Information pertinent to this matter is stated below.

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**Grant Funding Period:** July 1, 2001 - June 30, 2002

**Fund Recipient:** Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy (IMSA)  
1500 West Sullivan Road  
Aurora, Illinois  
Contact Person: Michael Palmisano  
(630) 907-5956

**Department:** Office of Professional Development  
Central Office – 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Dr. Al Bertani, Chief Officer  
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**GRANT DESCRIPTION:** The Improvement of Education Grant supports the partnership between CPS and IMSA in the development of the Consortium for the advancement of Teaching. The overall goal is to develop replicable models in curriculum, pre-service teacher preparation, and professional development. This pass-thru grant payment to IMSA will fund (a) development models for problem based learning; (b) internet fluency model.

On August 22, 2001, the Board accepted the U.S. Department of Education (U. S. DOE) grant in the amount of \$3,425,853.00 (Board Report 01-0822-ED4) of which \$1,483,475.00 was specified by the U.S. DOE for pass-through payments to IMSA.

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

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS:** Not applicable.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge \$1,483,475.00 to Office of Professional Development, National Teachers Academy.  
Budget Classification: 6480-239-567-8984-5400  
Funding Source: U.S. Department of Education (6480-239-567-8984-5400)

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written distribution agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the distribution agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any contract amendments required to document the granting authority's designation of a new grant funding period end date.

**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:**

  
Barbara Eason Watkins  
Chief Education Officer

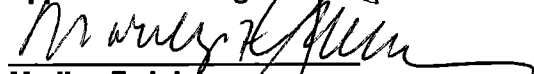
**Approved:**

  
Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer *by RAD*

**Within Appropriation:**

  
Kenneth C. Gotsch  
Chief Fiscal Officer

**Approved as to legal form:**

  
Marilyn F. Johnson  
General Counsel