

RATIFY EXERCISING THE SECOND OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH NCS PEARSON, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF SCANNABLE ANSWER SHEETS

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify exercising the second option to renew the agreement with NCS Pearson, Inc. for the purchase of CASE scannable answer sheets for the Office of Accountability at a cost not to exceed \$68,064.25. The renewal of this agreement occurred without prior Board approval. A renewal agreement exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Vendor during the option period prior to the execution of the written option agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written renewal agreement is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

SPECIFICATION NO.: 00-250207

VENDOR: NCS Pearson, Inc.
F/K/A National Computer Systems, Inc.
P.O. Box 9365
Minneapolis, MN 55440
Contact Person: Brenda Wilkinson
Phone No.: (800) 533-0518
Vendor No.: 21185

USER: Office of Accountability
125 S. Clark Street
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Contact Person: Adalbert Kouba
Phone No.: (773) 553-2335

ORIGINAL AGREEMENT: The original agreement (authorized by Board Report No. 99-1215-PR25) in the amount of \$160,000.00 was for a term commencing December 15, 1999 and ending June 30, 2000, with the Board having two one-year options to renew. The agreement was renewed for a term commencing July 1, 2000 and ending June 30, 2001 (authorized by Board Report 01-0124-PR11) in the amount of \$74,313.55. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis.

OPTION PERIOD: The term of this agreement is being extended for a one-year term commencing July 1, 2001 and ending June 30, 2002.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING: There are no option periods remaining.

DESCRIPTION OF PURCHASE: The scan forms consist of test forms/answer sheets for the Chicago Academic Standards Examinations (CASE). There will be 311,654 forms purchased covering the second semester CASE exams for the 2001-2002 school year and 157,200 forms to cover primary grade miscue analyses and 20,000 English/Spanish senior survey booklets.

<u>GOODS</u>	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>EXTENSION</u>
11 Test Scan Forms (CASE EXAMS) - Second Sem.	311,654	\$38,064.25
Primary Grade Miscue Analysis Forms	157,200	\$19,200.00
Senior Survey Booklets	20,000	\$10,800.00

Total Cost Not to Exceed: \$68,064.25, including packaging, special labeling and shipping.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written option document. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the option document. Authorize Chief Accountability Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option document.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Actual M/WBE participation pursuant to this agreement cannot be determined at this time. M/WBE participation will be evidenced via standard monitoring procedures.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Accountability \$68,064.25
Budget Classification: 0920-210-461-1048-5310

Fiscal Year: 2002
Source of Funds: Educ. 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.

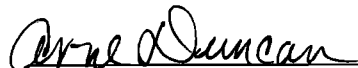
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



Anita Rocha
Acting Chief Procurement 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