

December 18, 2002

APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CHICAGO FIRE DEPARTMENT, CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO FOR THE CHICAGO POLICE AND FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY (CPFTA) PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the Chicago Fire Department, Chicago Police Department, and City Colleges of Chicago for the Chicago Police and Fire Training Academy (CPFTA) Program. The CPFTA program was originally approved by the Board on October 7, 1998 (98-1027-PR38), but such approval did not result in the entering into of an IGA. The program has been in operation since November 1, 1998. The participating parties now wish to modify the program and this IGA is required to document each party's participation in the revised program. A written IGA for this program is currently being developed. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written IGA is not executed within 120 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below:

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TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on January 1, 2003, and shall remain in effect until such time as all the parties deem it necessary to discontinue the CPFTA Program.

CPFTA PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: The CPFTA after-school and summer program provides instruction in a police and fire curriculum specifically focused on preparing students to embark on careers in public safety and law enforcement. CPFTA is a 4-year program; the first two years occur when students are high school juniors and seniors, the remaining two years constitute the college phase of the program. In addition to the high school and college training, students participate in summer internships that are designed to promote students' understanding of all aspects of police officer and firefighter careers. The program is open to all high school students living in the city of Chicago whether registered at CPS or elsewhere. A maximum of 300 high school juniors and 300 seniors participate in the program annually. Successful students that complete all four years of the program will be eligible to test for entrance into the Chicago Police and Firefighter Training Academies.

CPS CONTRIBUTIONS: The Chicago Public Schools will: 1) provide extended day (0.2) positions at local high schools for program site coordinators and stipends for program instructors from the fire and police departments, 2) provide a citywide program coordinator, 3) fund two, paid, summer internships for all high school cadets, 4) provide uniforms and field experiences to all student participants, and 5) fund transportation costs to enable student after school participation, with all such contributions subject to available funding. Chicago public high schools currently involved in CPFTA include: Carver, Clemente, Corliss, Juarez, Kelly, Marshall, Robeson, Schurz, Senn, Taft, and Tilden.

POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRIBUTIONS: The Chicago Police and Fire departments will: 1) conduct the after school courses during the school year on location at the Police and Fire academies, 2) provide summer internships during each summer of the program at each of the academies, 3) provide participants who have successfully complete the four-year program with 5 points to be applied towards the participant's score on the entrance examination.

CITY COLLEGES CONTRIBUTIONS: Chicago City Colleges will: 1) provide program participants with a two-year public safety program whereby students will earn an Associates Degree, 2) provide full scholarships to participants who maintain at least a "B" average in high school, and 3) provide funding for paid summer internships during the summers when students are attending City Colleges, subject to available funding.

SHARED RESPONSIBILITIES: Each party shall designate a program coordinator who will serve on the CPFTA Program Review Board. This group will monitor program curriculum, ensure compliance with program guidelines, and perform other duties as needed. The Police Department, Fire Department and CPS will share responsibility for marketing the program, as well as recruiting, evaluating and selecting student participants.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written, intergovernmental agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable

LSC REVIEW: Not applicable

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS, 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) and as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made part of the agreement.


Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code, adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3) and 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).

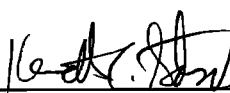
Approved for consideration:


Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

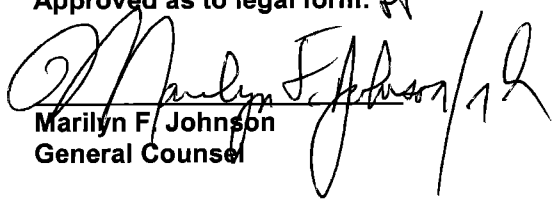
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer *by PAB*

Within appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form: *HW*


Marilyn F. Johnson
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