

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO  
FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION COURSE WORK FOR PROJECT STAR**

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

Approve entering into an agreement with the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) for special education course work for Project STAR for the Office of Specialized Services at a cost not to exceed \$67,416.00. UIC was selected on a non-competitive basis because it is one of the local universities offering courses for the newly created Special Education Short Term Emergency Certificate and the course that school psychologists need to receive Bilingual Special Education Approval. A written agreement for this matter is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to UIC prior to the execution of the written 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 agreement is stated below.

**Specification No.:** 02-250238

**VENDOR:** University of Illinois at Chicago  
1040 W. Harrison  
Chicago, IL 60607  
Contact Person: Dr. James V. Kahn  
312-996-8142  
Vendor #13879

**USER:** Office of Specialized Services  
125 S. Clark St.—8<sup>th</sup> floor  
Chicago, Illinois 60603  
Contact Person: Dr. Lillian Gonzalez  
773-553-3381

**TERM:** The term of this agreement shall commence on January 13, 2003 and shall end December 31, 2003. There will be two, one year options to renew.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:** 60 days notice by either party

**COURSES AND PROJECTED COST:** Under Project STAR, UIC will offer seven courses having different credit hour values ranging from 2-4 credit hours per course. For courses provided between January 13, 2003 and July 23, 2003 the cost will be \$152.00 per credit hour for each participant, and there will be an administrative fee of \$40.00 per course per participant. For the Fall 2003 term, it is estimated that the per credit hour cost will be \$167.20 for each participant and it is anticipated that the administrative fee will remain \$40.00 per course per participant. Based upon a guaranteed minimum enrollment of 20 participants in six courses and 15 participants in a seventh course, the projected program costs during the term of the agreement should not exceed \$67,416.00.

**OUTCOMES:** Teachers working in special education positions with PZZs (temporary waivers) or Short Term Emergency Certifications will complete the special education courses they need (not to exceed six courses) to obtain either their Learning Behavior Specialist I Approval or their Bilingual Special Education Approval. School psychologists will take the one course they need for Bilingual Special Education Approval. All teachers and related services personnel who take courses through Project STAR can take one or two courses each semester and they will sign agreements in which they agree to work in CPS special education programs for at least three years after they complete the coursework that they need under Project STAR and earn either their Learning Behavior Specialist I Approval or their Bilingual Special Education Approval.

**COMPENSATION:** The University shall be paid during this contract period as follows: For each course offered between January 1, 2003 and July 23, 2003, the Board will pay UIC \$152.00 per credit hour per participant plus a \$40.00 per course administrative fee for each participant. For the courses offered between August 25, 2003 and December 31, 2003, the estimated credit hour cost will be \$167.20 plus a \$40.00 per course administrative fee for each participant.

**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 Chief Specialized Services Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Pursuant to section 3.7 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) this contract is exempt from review because the contract is for tuition payment.

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Office of Specialized Services: \$67,416.00                      Fiscal Year: FY2003  
Budget Classification: 0966-239-699\*-1607-5560 (FY2003)                      Source of Funds: 239 Title II  
\*Project Numbers may change from fiscal year to fiscal year

**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).

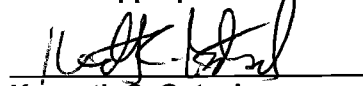
**Approved for Consideration:**

  
Arjita Rocha  
Acting Chief Purchasing Officer

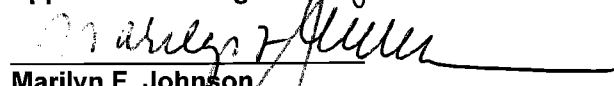
**Approved:**

  
Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer

**Within Appropriation:**

  
Kenneth C. Gotsch  
Chief Fiscal Officer

**Approved as to legal form:**

  
Marilyn F. Johnson  
General Counsel