

APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR OF WASHINGTON, D.C. AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of thirty-five (35) Mary McLeod Bethune Elementary School students in an educational tour of Washington, D.C. from June 2, 2003 through June 6, 2003 and authorize any travel expenses related to the program, if any.

USER: Mary McLeod Bethune Elementary School
3030 West Arthington Street
Chicago, Illinois 60612
(773) 534-6890
Dr. Warren R. Franczyk

PROGRAM: An educational 4-day tour of historic sites of Washington, D.C.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: This tour will provide an opportunity for students to gain clarity of what it means to be a citizen in a democratic country and all the privileges, rights and responsibilities that this entails; help them connect why it is necessary to take a constitution exam as they are able to observe the proceedings of a congressional session; help the students to understand the working of the three branches of government and why they will be a very important, integral part of the process; help students connect their imagination of who runs our country, where it is done, what happens in government, to seeing it in reality; and ultimately help the students to develop a clear sense of where they fit within a world community.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by World Strides.

COST: The per pupil cost is \$600.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel accommodations, health and accident insurance coverage, admission fees, and chaperones. The cost will be paid by the students.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 02-0828-PO04 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including the proper ratio of students to adults.

Traveling with students will be Mr. Leroy Davenport (parent), Mrs. Constance Hamedani (teacher), Ms. Taracine Hogan (parent), Mrs. Barbara Sullivan (parent), Ms. Deidre Turner (teacher), Mr. Bill Wilborn (teacher), and Mrs. Johnnie York (parent).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Mary McLeod Bethune Elementary School.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any travel agreements necessary for this program.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This activity was approved by the LSC for Mary McLeod Bethune Elementary School on December 4, 2002.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Chicago Public Schools.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to any 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 any 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 any agreement.

Contingent Liability – Any 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).

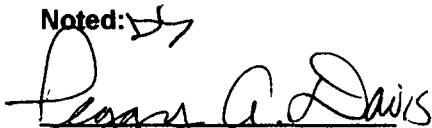
Approved for Consideration:


BARBARA EASON-WATKINS
Chief Education Officer

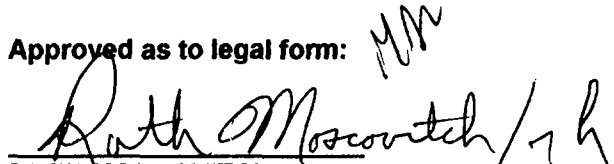
Approved:


ARNE DUNCAN *by PAD*
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:


PEGGY A. DAVIS
Chief of Staff

Approved as to legal form:

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RUTH MOSCOVITCH
General Counsel