

**RATIFY EXERCISING THE OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify exercising the option to renew the agreement with Northwestern University on behalf of The Center for Learning Technologies in Urban Schools (LeTUS) to provide consulting services to the Office of Mathematics and Science at a cost not to exceed \$79,119.00. These services were continued without prior Board approval. A written renewal document is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to LeTUS prior to the execution of the written renewal document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written renewal document is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this renewal document is stated below.

Specification No.: 01-250317

CONSULTANT: Northwestern University
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Chicago, IL 60608 (Mail Run #80)
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Tel. No.: 773-553-6230

ORIGINAL AGREEMENT: The original agreement (authorized under Board Report 01-1219-PR50) is for a term commencing September 1, 2000 and ending on February 28, 2003 with a cost of \$716,254 and the Board having one option to renew for a 12-month period and a second option to renew for a 6-month period. LeTUS was selected on a non-competitive basis because it was named in the 5-year National Science Foundation (NSF) grant that funds the Chicago Urban Systemic Program (CUSP).

OPTION PERIOD: The term of this agreement is being extended for six months commencing March 1, 2003 and ending August 31, 2003.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING: There is one option period for one (1) year remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: LeTUS will continue to work with CUSP to develop the citywide "roll out" process for CUSP Grades K-5 and Grades 6-8 certification or endorsement programs. LeTUS will develop the CUSP provider application, participate in the provider review process, and provide course design and program development consultation services to university/college providers. LeTUS also will assist OMS with evaluating middle grade pilot courses.

DELIVERABLES: LeTUS will continue to work with OMS to develop the CUSP provider application that OMS will use to approve colleges/universities that are applying to provide the CUSP courses. LeTUS will continue to provide program development and consultation services to colleges/universities that will be providing the CUSP courses.

OUTCOMES: LeTUS services will result in the development of a CUSP provider application, which will enable colleges/universities on the OMS-approved list to expand the continuing-education opportunities for Chicago Public Schools mathematics and science teachers. The quality of the Board's teaching staff will improve as more teachers receive Grades K-5 and Grades 6-8 certifications and middle grade endorsements in the areas of math and science.

COMPENSATION: LeTUS shall be paid in two equal installments with the total compensation not to exceed \$79,119.00. LeTUS shall issue an invoice for the first installment upon signing the agreement and shall issue the 2nd installment after all services and deliverables have been provided by LeTUS and accepted by the Board.

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 Education 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 vendor is a university.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Mathematics and Science: \$ 79,119.00 Fiscal Year: 2003-2004
Budget Classification: 0951-239-664-1521-5410
Source of Funds: National Science Foundation

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.

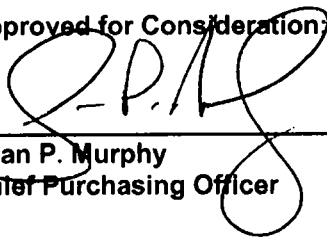
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their 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:

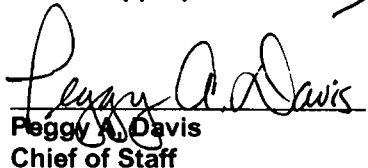


Sean P. Murphy
Chief Purchasing Officer

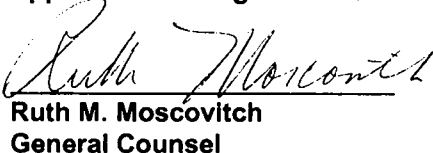
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation: *DS*


Peggy A. Davis
Chief of Staff

Approved as to legal form:


Ruth M. Moscovitch
General Counsel