03-0827-PR21

APPROVE EXERCISING THE FIRST AND SECOND OPTIONS TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH ST. XAVIER UNIVERSITY FOR A MASTERS PROGRAM IN SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR FACE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the first and second options to renew the agreement with St. Xavier University for a Masters program in special education for FACE Program Participants at a cost not to exceed \$213,180.00 for a two year period. A written renewal agreement is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to St. Xavier during the renewal period prior to the execution of the written renewal 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 renewal agreement is stated below.

Specification No.: 03-250017

VENDOR: St. Xavier University

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ORIGINAL AGREEMENT: The original agreement (authorized by Board Report No. 03-0225-PR44) in the amount of \$102,000, was for a term commencing February 1, 2003 and ending August 31, 2003, with the Board having the option to renew the agreement for two additional one-year periods. The original Agreement was awarded on a non-competitive because St. Xavier offers courses leading to the new Type 10 Learning and Behavior Specialist I certificate. Furthermore, St. Xavier offers the Board a 20% tuition reduction, and will hold tuition fees constant for the duration of the 31-month program.

RENEWAL PERIOD: Because the Face Program is a 31 month program, it is expedient to combine the two option periods into a single, 2- year renewal period. Therefore, by mutual agreement of the parties, the agreement is being renewed for a 2-year period commencing September 1, 2003 and ending August 31, 2005.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING: There are no option periods remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: St. Xavier will continue to offer courses for a Masters program in special education leading to a Master Degree and a Learning and Behavior Specialist I endorsement to a cohort of 19 FACE Program Participants (FPPs), job code 00000014, working in Chicago Public Schools' special education programs. Participants will have passed the Illinois Basic Skills Test and will be taking graduate course work leading to a Master's degree and certification in special education.

DELIVERABLES: During the two year renewal period, St. Xavier will offer a core curriculum to the cohort consisting of eight (8) classes for a total of 33 credit hours.

OUTCOMES: Approximately nineteen FPP's working in Chicago Public Schools' special education programs will take classes leading to a master's degree and certification in special education with a Learning and Behavior Specialist I endorsement. Participants will sign an agreement that requires them to complete the Program within four (4) years of beginning the Program, and requires them to work in special education positions in the Chicago Public Schools for a

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period of not less than three years after completing the Program and receiving their certification, if such positions are offered to them. Participants who fail to fulfill these requirements will be required to repay a percentage of the tuition payments that the Board made on their behalf under the Program. The repayment amount will be established by a pro rata formula developed by the Board's Alternative Certification Program Manager.

COMPENSATION: During the two year renewal period, total cost for all courses is not expected to exceed \$250,800.00. St. Xavier will provide cohort courses at the rate of \$400.00 per credit hour per Participant. The Board will pay 85% of this cost with the Board's share of the tuition payments not to exceed \$213,180.00. Participants will pay St. Xavier 15% of the tuition cost and St. Xavier will be responsible for this billing and collection.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written renewal 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 renewal agreement.

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

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Routes to Teaching: \$213,180.00

> Budget Classification: 0710-220-481-1575-5560 \$116,280.00 Fiscal Year: 2004

\$ 96,900.00 Fiscal Year: 2005

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:

Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

General Counsel

Approved:

Arne Duncan

Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to legal form: