

**RATIFY ENTERING INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH
THE ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND
THE SUBURBAN COOK COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION
FOR THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE CHICAGO TEACHER CERTIFICATION OFFICE**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify entering into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) and the Suburban Cook County Regional Office of Education (SCCROE) for the continued operation of the Chicago Teacher Certification Office at a cost not to exceed \$60,000. A written IGA is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to SCCROE prior to the execution of the IGA. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written IGA is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this IGA is stated below.

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TERM: The term of agreement shall commence on August 18, 2003 and shall end November 15, 2003. The parties shall have the option to extend the term by mutual agreement, subject to available funding.

ISBE RESPONSIBILITIES: ISBE will authorize SCCROE to operate the Chicago Teacher Certification Office located at CPS Headquarters at 125 S. Clark for the period of August 18, 2003 until November 15, 2003. ISBE will provide SCCROE with all office furniture, equipment and supplies currently housed at the office.

SCCROE RESPONSIBILITIES: SCCROE will operate the Chicago Teacher Certification Office and will take applications for certification and endorsements, including substitute certificates and entitlements; register certificates; and issue temporary work permits for teachers in the City of Chicago for the period of August 18, 2003 until November 15, 2003. SCCROE shall employ all staff to serve in the office.

BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES: The Board will provide SCCROE with the same space at 125 S. Clark it previously provided to ISBE to operate the Chicago Teacher Certification Office as well as phone service. The Board shall pay SCCROE the sum of \$60,000 to provide teacher certification services for CPS teachers which amount is payable in three equal installments on September 1, 2003 (or the date the IGA is signed, whichever is later), October 1, 2003 and November 1, 2003.

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Department of Human Resources \$60,000 FY04
Budget Classification: 0710-239-821-1008-5410
Source of Funds: Title II Teacher Quality

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 intergovernmental agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

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

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:


Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

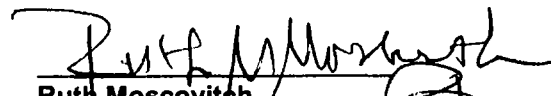
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Peggy A. Davis
Chief of Staff

Approved as to legal form:


Ruth Moscovitch
General Counsel