

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BERTRAND MURRELL
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Bertrand Murrell to provide consulting services to the Office of Local School Council Relations at a cost not to exceed \$40,000. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis due to his extensive experience with the training of Local School Council members. The consultant's services were utilized for the 2002-2003 school year. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Consultant and no payment shall be made to Consultant 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 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification No.: 03-250204

CONSULTANT: Bertrand Murrell
8243 S. Kenwood 60619
(773) 221-7907
Vendor #37455

USER: Local School Council Relations
125 S. Clark St., 5th fl. 60603
James Deanes
(773) 553-1407

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end June 30, 2004. This agreement shall have one option to renew for the period of one year subject to Board approval. The cost for any renewal term shall not exceed \$40,000.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement for any or no reason upon 30 days notice to Consultant.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Attend Board Meetings, Local School Council and community meetings as assigned by the Officer of Local School Council Relations. Provide training to Local School Councils (LSCs), Parent Advisory Councils (PACs), No Child Left Behind (NCLB), and other parent organizations. Provide assistance to other departments of the Board as identified and assigned by the Officer of Local School Council Relations. Serve as a liaison to the reform community to identify and determine outstanding issues. Perform other duties as assigned by the Officer of Local School Council Relations.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant must provide weekly activity reports to the Officer of Local School Council Relations.

OUTCOMES: Resolution of issues before it reaches the Office of the Board, the Chief Executive Officer, or the Chief Education Officer. Consultant must detail steps taken for resolution.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: Equal monthly payments not to exceed the sum of \$40,000.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: The total compensation amount reflected herein is inclusive of all reimbursable expenses.

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 Officer of Local School Council Relations to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: This contract is in *full* compliance with the goals required by the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) because the prime is an independent consultant (100% African American).

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Local School Council Relations: \$40,000 Fiscal Year: 2004
Budget Classification: #0130-210-000-6050-5410 Source of Funds: General Education Funds
Requisition Number: [#]

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.

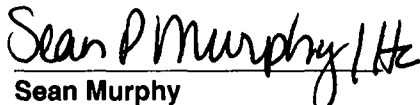
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their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

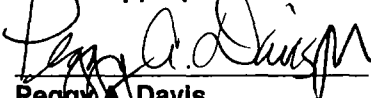
Approved for Consideration:


Sean Murphy
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:


Arne Duncan *for PAJ*
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Peggy A. Davis
Chief of Staff

Approved as to legal form: *HW*


Ruth Moscovitch
General Counsel