

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY
FOR A MASTERS PROGRAM IN SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR BILINGUAL TEACHERS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Dominican University for a Master of Science in Education program with LBS1 entitlement to 12 participants at a cost not to exceed \$84,257.40. The University was selected on a non-competitive basis because of its course offerings and because of grant monies awarded to the University which will affect the cost of the program. A written agreement is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to university 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 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification: 03-250200

UNIVERSITY: Dominican University
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River Forest, Illinois 60305
Contact Person: Therese Hogan
Tel. No.: 708 524-6920
Vendor # 45322

USER: Routes to Teaching
Department of Human Resources
125 South Clark Street, 2nd floor
Chicago, IL 60603
773-553-1070
Contact: Ascencion V. Juarez

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence November 1, 2003 and shall end June 1, 2006.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: 60 days notice by either party

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Dominican University will offer graduate courses leading to a Master of Science Degree in Education to twelve individuals who will be staffed in vacant special education positions in the Chicago Public Schools.

DELIVERABLES: Dominican University will offer a core curriculum restricted to program participants consisting of 47 credit hours at a cost to the Board of \$131.35 - \$158.85 per credit hour depending on the semester. Over the course of the program, the Board will pay 31% of tuition costs, the individual participants will pay 31% of tuition costs, and Dominican will cover 38% of tuition costs. The courses will be offered from the Fall 2003 term through the Spring 2006 term.

OUTCOMES: Twelve qualified individuals will take classes leading to a Master of Science Degree in Education with LBS1 entitlement Degree in special education. These participants will be staffed in special education positions in the Chicago Public Schools and will sign an agreement with the Board that while completing their Masters Degrees, they will work in special education positions in the Chicago Public Schools and remain working in such positions for at least three years after completing the program. Participants who fail to fulfill these requirements will be required to repay a percentage of the tuition payments made by the Board on their behalf. The repayment amount will be determined by a pro rata formula developed by the Board's Alternative Certification Program Officer.

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 Human Resources 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 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: \$84,257.40

Budget Classification: 0710-220-481-1575-5560	\$11,033.40	Fiscal Year: 2004
	\$31,287.60	Fiscal Year: 2005
	\$41,936.40	Fiscal Year: 2006

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.

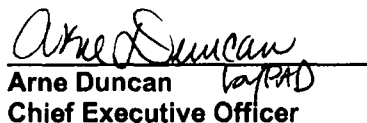
Ethics – The board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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:

Approved:


Heather A. Crossley
Chief Purchasing Officer


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:

Approved as to legal form: 


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer


Ruth M. Moscovitch
General Counsel