

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS UNIVERSITIES, GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS TO PROVIDE EXTERNAL PARTNER AND CURRICULUM MODEL CONSULTING SERVICES**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve entering into agreements with the various universities, groups and individuals listed below to provide external partner and curriculum model consulting services to the Office of Research, Evaluation and Accountability at a cost not to exceed the aggregate amount of \$2,842,500.00. Consultants were selected on a non-competitive basis based on their previous history of working with Chicago Public Schools. A written agreement for each Consultant is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to any Consultant during the term prior to the execution of such Consultant's written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each Consultant in the event a written agreement for such Consultant is not executed within 120 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this matter is stated below.

**SPECIFICATION NO.: 03-250298**

<u>Consultants:</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Contract Amount</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Contract Amount</u>
1. DePaul University Center for Urban Education 990 W. Fullerton, Suite 3135 Chicago, IL 60614 Not to Exceed: \$600,000.00 Contact Person: Barbara Radner (773) 325-7171 Vendor Number 36273	Byrd Gregory Haley Harvard Hefferan Herzi	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000	Park Manor Penn Randolph Ross Shoop Spry	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000
2. Educational Specialties 9923-27 S. Wood Chicago, IL 60643 Not to Exceed: \$100,000.00 Contact Person: Elois Washington Steward (773) 445-1000 Vendor Number: 41806	Avalon Park Crown	\$50,000 \$50,000		
3. Kinney and Associates 122 W. 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite 301 Oak Brook, IL 60523 Not to Exceed: \$400,000.00 Contact Person: Kathy Sambo Vendor Number: 19531	Ft. Dearborn Lafayette Logandale Marconi	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000	Morrill Wentworth Woodson N Yates	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000
4. National Louis University Center for City Schools 122 South Michigan – Suite 6044 Not to Exceed: \$35,000.00 Contact Person: Steve Zemelman (312) 261-3106 Vendor Number: 48030	Goodlow	\$35,000		
5. Northeastern Illinois University Interactive Teaching and Learning 5500 N. St. Louis Chicago, IL 60625 Not to Exceed: \$400,000.00 Contact Person: Michael Pietrzak (312) 733-7330 Vendor Number: 72381	Barton Castellanos Chopin Cook	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000	DePriest Funston Peabody Ella F. Young	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000

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6. Perma Bound Books 836-A Signature Bourbonnais, IL 60914 Not to Exceed: \$50,000.00 Contact Person: Ione Graves (773) 548-3446 Vendor Number: 13125	Fernwood	\$50,000		
7. Pleasont Group Reading 20025 Lakewood Avenue Lynwood, IL 60411 Not to Exceed: \$200,000.00 Contact Person: Gloria D. Pleasont (708) 895-3686 Vendor Number: 80047	Guggenheim Melody Sexton Sherwood	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000		
8. Porter Educational Services P.O. Box 626 Oak Park, IL 60603 Not to Exceed: \$300,000.00 Contact Person: Phyllis Porter (773) 626-7737 Vendor Number: 93146	Altgeld Armstrong, L Carter Carver Prim. Dett Dewey	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000		
9. Success for All 200 W. Towsontown Blvd. Baltimore, MD 21204-5200 Not to Exceed: \$150,000.00 Contact Person: Sean Christian (800) 548-4998, ext. 2495 Vendor Number: 46118	Andersen Marquette Mays	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000		
10. University of Chicago Center for School Improvement 1313 East 60th Street Chicago, IL 60637 Not to Exceed: \$50,000.00 Contact Person: Regina Armour (773) 702-0663 Vendor Number: 46979	Holmes	\$50,000		
11. University of Illinois – Chicago College of Education Achieving High Standards 1040 West Harrison Street Chicago, IL 60607 Not to Exceed: \$250,000.00 Contact Person: Victoria Ford (312) 413-2612 Vendor Number: 15727	Douglas CA Douglass Aca Jefferson, T	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000	Metcalf Mt Vernon	\$50,000 \$50,000

<p>12. University of Illinois –Chicago                  Center for Literacy                  1040 West Harrison Street                  Chicago, IL 60607                  Not to Exceed: \$200,000.00                  Contact Person: Maureen Meehan                  (312) 413-8085                  Vendor Number: 49171</p>	<p>Key \$50,000                  Reavis \$50,000                  Ryerson \$50,000                  Smyth \$50,000</p>
<p>13. Reading in Motion                  Formerly known as                  Whirlwind Performance Co.                  65 E. Wacker Place, Suite 1800                  Chicago, IL 60601                  Not to Exceed: \$107,500.00                  Contact Person: Cindy Brown                  (312) 899-0739                  Vendor Number: 38368</p>	<p>Parker \$50,000                  Sullivan \$ 7,500                  Woods \$50,000</p>

**USER:** Office of Research, Evaluation & Accountability  
 125 South Clark Street, 11th Floor  
 Daniel Bugler  
 (773) 553-2324

**TERM:** The term of these agreements shall commence on February 1, 2004 and shall end September 30, 2004. These agreements shall have two options to renew for periods of one year each subject to Board approval. The cost of the option periods will be negotiated at the time of such renewal.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:** The Board shall have the right to terminate each agreement with thirty (30) days written notice to Consultant for any or no reason.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Consultants will work with elementary and high schools on probation, transition, or on the State’s List of Schools in School Improvement in providing technical assistance in the areas of organization, curriculum, instruction, and evaluation. Examples of proposed activities include: offering staff development in core curricular areas of instruction, assisting with the implementation of Children First activities, working with school administrators on leadership issues, providing sample lessons to teachers, assisting with parent and community partnerships, working with the schools to analyze test scores and provide diagnostic assistance from these scores.

Continuation of partnerships is determined by their success in increasing standardized test scores and through a monitoring process in the Office of Research, Evaluation and Accountability.

**DELIVERABLES:** Deliverables will vary according to each vendor’s proposal. The Office of Research, Evaluation and Accountability monitors delivery of deliverables specified in each vendor’s contract.

**OUTCOMES:** Consultants’ services will 1) increase student achievement, 2) improve school leadership, including school organization and fiscal management, 3) establish a student-centered learning climate, 4) provide effective professional development activities, and 5) promote parent community partnerships

**COMPENSATION:** The Consultants shall be paid as periodic invoices are submitted and verified, in amounts not to exceed those listed above for each consultant.

**REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:** None.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreements. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreements.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Pursuant to Section 6.2 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan), the Per Contract and Category Goals method for M/WBE participation will be utilized. Aggregated compliance of the vendors in the pool will be reported on a monthly basis. The M/WBE participation goals for this contract include: 35% total MBE, 22% total African American, 10% total Hispanic, 2% total Asian and 5% total WBE. The attached list of vendors has been identified and is scheduled to provide the following participation.

**Total MBE 27.5%**  
Total African American 23.25%  
Total Hispanic 3.6%  
Total Asian .7%  
Total WBE 3.3%

**LSC REVIEW:** Written approval by the Local School Council for the affected school will be provided whenever a school identifies the need for these consulting services using local school funds.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to: Office of Research, Evaluation & Accountability: \$2,842,500.00  
Budget Classification: 0012-239-690-8923-5410 FY 2004  
Source of Funds: Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration (CSR) Grant

**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 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:**

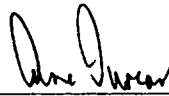


**Heather Obora**  
**Chief Purchasing Officer**

**Within Appropriation:**

  
**John Maiorca**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

**Approved:**



**Arne Duncan**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

**Approved as to legal form:**

  
**Ruth Moscovitch**  
**General Counsel**