

February 25, 2004

APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF JONES COLLEGE PREP IN A LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL IMMERSION PROGRAM TO MAGDEBURG, GERMANY, AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of twelve (12) Jones College Prep students in a foreign language and cultural immersion program to Magdeburg, Germany, and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

USER: Jones College Prep
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Mr. Donald Fraynd

PROGRAM: In conjunction with its World Language Program, Jones College Prep will send students who reflect the school's population to Magdeburg, Germany, from March 12, 2004, through April 2, 2004. The program in language immersion and comparative cultures includes a nineteen-day exchange component in the city of Magdeburg, Germany. Host families are selected by exchange teachers taking every precaution to ensure student security and safety. The tour will include day trips to Berlin and other surrounding historical attractions. The Jones College Prep students involved are primarily enrolled in German II. They will be accompanied by Mr. Michael Beck, Jones College Prep History teacher.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: Students in the World Language Program at Jones College Prep study a curriculum which focuses on a global perspective in education. The curriculum emphasizes oral fluency in foreign language and development of awareness of cultural differences. During the field extension of their classroom studies, students will have the opportunity to explore cultural institutions and historical sites as they experience language immersion and contemporary German life and culture. The students and their teacher will attend classes provided by Hegel Gymnasium in Magdeburg, the partner school in this exchange. The students will have first-hand contact with German culture and daily experience using the German language for various purposes, as well as studying historical events in the locations where they occurred.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are will be made by Northwest Airlines.

COST: The per pupil cost is \$1,100.00 which includes transportation, certain meals, hotel accommodations, health and accident insurance coverage providing protection against bodily injury or death. The cost will be paid by the individual participants, fund-raising, and by donations.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults.

Traveling with students will be Mr. Michael Beck (teacher) and Mr. Peter Grafner (teacher).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Jones College Prep.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any travel agreements necessary for this program.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This activity was approved by the LSC for Jones College Prep on November 7, 2003.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board.

GENERAL CONDITIONS: Inspector General – Each party to any 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 any 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 any agreement.

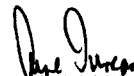
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

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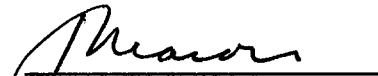


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