

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LITTLE BLACK PEARL WORKSHOP
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Little Black Pearl Workshop to provide consulting services to Specialized & Alternative Safe Schools at a cost not to exceed \$246,191.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis. The Little Black Pearl Workshop has provided cultural and fine arts curricula to Chicago Public Schools since 1994. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. 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.: 04-250019

CONSULTANT: Little Black Pearl Workshop
4200 S. Drexel Blvd.
Chicago, Illinois 60653
Contact Person: Michelle Lawrence
(773) 285-1211
Vendor #: 25990

USER: Specialized & Alternative Safe Schools
125 S. Clark – 8th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Contact Person: Renee Grant-Mitchell
(773) 553-1800

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on March 1, 2004 and shall end August 30, 2004.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Little Black Pearl Workshop will provide community service learning opportunities for students who are enrolled in the alternative safe schools.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant shall provide the following deliverables: Five Painted mural panels at Infinity Alternative School, depicting images of positive community relations; Interior and exterior mosaic tile furnishings Planters and waste receptacles at Milburn Alternative Schools for a community beautification project; Painted props and backdrops for a community student web radio Program at Vivian E. Summers Alternative School; Painted and mosaic drops to decorate the hall at Community Youth Development Institute; Receptacles and planters for a recycling project at Bronzeville; and mosaic picture frames for a beautification at Jane Adams Alternative School.

OUTCOMES: Little Black Pearl Workshop services shall result in the effective and efficient development of and implementation of community service learning projects in the alternative safe School. The service learning projects are designed to enable students to help others; give of themselves; enter into caring relationships with others; give students more responsibility for their learning and assist student to see the relevance of the academic subject to the real world.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid on a monthly basis upon receipt of invoices in an amount not to exceed \$246,191.00 in the aggregate.

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 Specialized Services Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: The M/WBE goals for this contract include:35% total M/WBE, 22% total African American, 10% total Hispanic, 2% total Asian and 5% total WBE.

However, the Waiver Review Committee recommends that a partial waiver of the M/WBE participation goals for this contract : required by the Revised Remedial Plan be granted because the contract scope is not further divisible. The vendor has however, identified and scheduled the following firms and percentages:

Total MBE 16%

Total African American 14%
Community INS. Center INC.
526 E.87st.
CHICAGO, IL 60619

Total ASIAN 2%

Mirza Baig & Company
333 N. Michigan, Suite 2032
Chicago, IL 60601

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Specialized Alternative Safe Schools - \$246,191.00 Fiscal Year: 2004

Budget Classification: 0959-239-856-7981-5990 - Source of Funds: Illinois State Board of Education Grant
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.

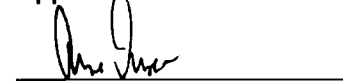
Ethics – The Board’s Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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:


Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer


Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Ruth M. Moscovitch
General Counsel