

March 24, 2004

APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF WALTER PAYTON COLLEGE PREP IN A TOUR TO MADRID, BARCELONA, PALMA DE MAYORCA, SPAIN AND AUTHORIZE EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of twenty-nine (29) students from Walter Payton College Prep in a tour to Madrid, Barcelona, Palma De Mayorca, Spain from April 9-16, 2004 and authorize travel expenses related to the program, if any.

USER: Walter Payton College Prep
1034 N. Wells Street
Chicago, IL 60610
773-534-0034
Ms. Gail Ward

PROGRAM: This program will consist of 8 days in Spain. The trip starts in Madrid with extensive tours of museums-El Prado, Puerta Del Sol, Plaza de Espana, and a guided tour of the Royal Palace, followed by a one-day-trip to Zaragoza, tow days in Barcelona visiting Gothic churches and the colorful creations of architect Antonio Gaudi. The students will also travel to Palma de Mayorca and visit the Old Quarter, the Castle, the Cathedral, and a guided tour of the old place of Palma. The students selected in the program have been studying Spanish for four years at Walter Payton College Prep.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: It is to give the students an opportunity to make connections between their classes and the language/culture they study. As Spanish students, they will have a chance to apply the three Illinois Foreign Language Standards: Goal 28A, Goal 29 A, B, C, and D and goal 30A. They will have a better chance to understand our western civilization from studying the people, the art, the architecture, and the historical lifestyle of ancient Rome through the Latin language.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by Explorica, Inc. 145 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02111, (888) 310-7120.

COST: The per pupil cost is \$1,778.00 which includes transportation, tour guide, meals, hotel cost, trip cancellation insurance and Health and accident insurance. The costs will be paid by student.

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. Marino Trujillo (Spanish instructor), Antonio Perez (Spanish Instructor), Antonio Canario (Spanish Instructor), Maria Cristina Guarin (Bilingual Instructor) and Frank Perino (parent).

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

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This tour was approved by Walter Payton College Prep Local School Council on December 16, 2003.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board.

Conflicts – Any 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:

Approved:

Barbara Eason-Watkins

Arne Duncan

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ARNE DUNCAN
Chief Executive Officer

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John Maiorca
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