

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL IN AN
EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO QUEBEC, CANADA AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO
THE PROGRAM**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of twelve (12) South Shore Community High School students in an educational tour to Quebec, Canada from April 12-15, 2004 and authorize any travel expenses related to the program, if any.

USER: South Shore Community High School
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PROGRAM: The World Language Program at South Shore Community High School will send students to Quebec, Canada.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: It is strongly believed that students learn a second language best when they are immersed in the language and culture. By traveling to Quebec, Canada the students will have the opportunity to fully indulge in not only French language, but also in the daily culture. This will be a great opportunity for the students to use everything that they have learned. The students will verbally, audibly, visually and kinesthetically learn through experience more about the language as a culture and not just as a spoken language. Overall we will provide our students a life time opportunity to study a world language in a unique way; to be able to travel to a new place and discover the culture, heritage and way of living of those in a different country. During this voyage the students will have the opportunity to explore cultural institutions and historical sites as they experience language immersion and contemporary French (Quebecuan) lifestyle and culture. The students and their teachers/faculty will follow a prescribed itinerary of field trips to sites of historical and cultural interest related to the curriculum.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by EF Explore America Tour Consultant.

COST: The per pupil cost is \$825.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel accommodations, health and accident insurance coverage providing protection against bodily injury or death. Funds for the excursion are provided by grants, fund-raising activities so that no student is excluded for financial reasons.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including the proper ratio of students to adults. Traveling with students will be Rejoice Thrower (teacher), James Hall (security), and Raelyn Lilly-Riley (asst. principal).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at South Shore Community High School.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Chicago Public Schools.

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.

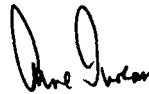
Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time shall be incorporated into and made a part of any agreement.

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:

Approved:



BARBARA EASON-WATKINS
Chief Education Officer

ARNE DUNCAN
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:


JOHN MAIORCA
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:


RUTH MOSCOVITCH
General Counsel