

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO A SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH
BRIDGES.COM**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into a software license agreement with Bridges.com for Choices Planner to be used by the Office of High School Programs and the Department of Education-to-Careers at a cost not to exceed \$95,000. Software licensor was selected on a non-competitive basis because this software program meets the required specifications to offer postsecondary occupation and planning resource services that guides students to develop an electronic portfolio to plan their education and career path. A written license agreement for such software products is currently being negotiated. Software upgrades and "bug fixes" will be provided free of charge for the length of the contract. No payment shall be made to software Licensor prior to the execution of the written license agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification No.:04-250087

SOFTWARE

LICENSOR: Bridges.com
33637 B Hwy. 97 N
Oroville, WA 98844
(800) 281-1168
Tonya Sykes
Vendor #: 22470

USER: Office of High School Programs
Department of Education-to-Careers
125 South Clark St., 12th Floor
Chicago, IL 60603
Kelly Sparks
(773) 553-2484

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on July 1, 2004, and shall end June 30, 2005. This agreement shall have three options to renew for periods of one year each at a cost not to exceed \$85,500 annually.

USE OF SOFTWARE: The software will assist all CPS 7th through 12th grade students in exploring educational and career opportunities. The software includes an electronic portfolio component so each student will be able to develop an individualized career and education plan. The software will allow CPS to collect data from the students activities with the software to report such things as what careers students are interested in, what colleges they are researching, what items they have completed in their portfolio, etc.

OUTCOMES: Every 7th through 12th grade CPS student will be provided with the tools to develop an individualized career and education plan that will guide them in their decision-making regarding their postsecondary plans.

LICENSE FEE: Software Licensor shall be paid a lump sum in the amount of \$95,000 upon invoicing.

MAINTENANCE FEE: The maintenance fee for the one-year term is included in the license fee.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written license agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the license agreement. Authorize the Education-to-Careers Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this license agreement.

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

However, the Wavier Review Committee recommends that a full wavier of the M/WBE participation goals for this contract as required by the Revised Remedial Plan be granted because the contract scope is not further divisible.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Postsecondary Education: \$47,500 Fiscal Year: 2004
Budget Classification: 0470-210-000-1720-5311 Source of Funds: Local

Charge to Education-to-Careers: \$12,500 Fiscal Year: 2004
Budget Classification: 0910-239-884-7827-5311 Source of Funds: Grant

Charge to Education-to-Careers: \$35,000 Fiscal Year: 2004
Budget Classification: 0910-239-203-7827-5311 Source of Funds: 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 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:



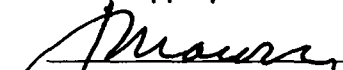
Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:



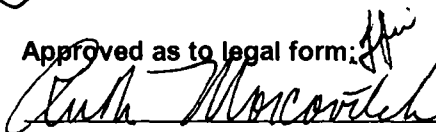
Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Ruth Moscovitch
General Counsel