

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LIFE DIRECTIONS, INC. CHICAGO FOR  
SUPPORT SERVICES**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve entering in an agreement with Life Directions, Inc. Chicago for support services for the Attendance Initiatives Program at a cost not to exceed \$100,000.00. Consultant was selected because of its previous quality and effective services as a part of the 10,000 tutor's initiative. A written agreement is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Life Direction 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 90 days of the date of this Board report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

**Specification No.: 04-250183**

**AGENCY:** Life Direction, Inc. Chicago  
2189 W. Bowler  
Chicago, IL 60612  
Contact Person: Tom Howard  
Phone (773) 265-5830  
Vendor No. 15829

**USER:** Office of Instruction and School Management  
125 S. Clark Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Chicago, IL 60603  
Contact Person: Janette Wilson  
(773) 553-2150

**TERM:** The term of this agreement shall commence on November 1, 2004 and shall end June 30, 2005. This agreement shall have two (2) options to renew for periods of one (1) year each.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:** The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** The agency will provide the following services to an assigned number of schools: individual, group and family consulting, case management, evaluation and coordination of social services and parent training and support for students and families identified in the adjudication process as chronic absentees. The Agency shall also provide home visits, reviews and screening of students.

**DELIVERABLES:** The agency will provide case management which includes an assessment of student/family needs; development of a plan of services to meet identified needs; arranging, coordinating and monitoring the delivery of services to children and families; and an evaluation of the effectiveness of services provided.

**OUTCOMES:** The Agency's services shall result in:

- Increased student attendance at each school where interventions are provided.
- Improved tracking of truant students.
- Reduction in dropout and truancy rates at schools where interventions are provided.

**COMPENSATION:** The agency will be paid as periodic invoices are submitted and verified; not to exceed \$100,000.00.

**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 Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The participation goal provisions of the Plan do not apply to transactions where the vendor is a not for profit organization.

**Total African American:**

Life Directions, Inc. Chicago 100%  
2189 W. Bowler  
Chicago, IL. 60612

**LSC REVIEW:** Not applicable.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to: Office of Instruction and School Management \$100,000.00      FY: 2005  
Budget Classification: 0953-210-000-3052-5410      Source of Funds: General

**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 – 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.

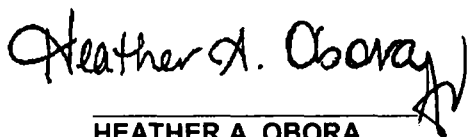
Indebtedness – The Board’s Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of any agreement.

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.

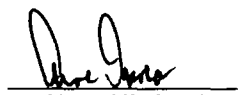
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

Approved:



**HEATHER A. OBORA**  
Chief Purchasing Officer




**ARNE DUNCAN**  
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



**JOHN MAIORCA**  
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



**RUTH MOSCOVITCH**  
General Counsel