

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF SEWARD ACADEMY IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO THE U.S. SPACE CAMP IN HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM**

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

Approve the participation of seventy (70) Seward Academy's eighth grade students to participate in an educational tour to the U.S. Space Camp in Huntsville, Alabama from June 1 through June 5, 2006 and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

**USER:** Seward Academy  
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Chicago, IL 60609  
User: Marcey G. Reyes, Principal  
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**PROGRAM:** Seward Academy's 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class' culminating activity of space education wherein students would attend the United States Space Camp.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** Students who participating in Space Camp will complete a shuttle mission, further space history lessons, and astronaut training(State Goals 1D3b, 3C3a, 3B3e, 11B3c-e, 12B3a-c, 12D3b, 12F3a, 13A3b, 13B3a, 13B3b-c, 13B3e). Please see the "Proposed Itinerary for Space Camp" for further details.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Travel to Huntsville, Alabama is via USA Bus Charter, Inc. Phone Number 1-800-979-4498.

**COST:** The cost per pupil is \$409.00 which includes transportation, meals, lodging, admissions, health and accident insurance, and trip cancellation insurance. The costs will be paid by monies from student fees (\$100 per person), and fund-raising (309 per person).

**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.

Traveling with the students will be Lorel Madden (teacher), Wendy Howe (teacher), Eddie Howe (School Coach), Robert Zarnowski (teacher), Sarah Mayeda (teacher), Dave Coronado (teacher), Robert Lituma (teacher), and Donna Schamadinger (teacher).

Seven teachers and one school coach will accompany the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to Huntsville, Alabama for Space Camp.

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Seward Academy.

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

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not applicable.

**LSC REVIEW:** This was approved by the Local School Council on December 15, 2005.

**FINANCIAL:** No cost to the Board.

**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.

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:



Barbara Eason-Watkins  
Chief Education Officer

Approved:



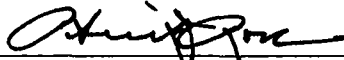
Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:



John Maiorca  
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 



Patrick J. Rocks  
General Counsel