

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF JOSÉ DE DIEGO COMMUNITY ACADEMY IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM**

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

Approve the participation of eighty (80) José de Diego Community Academy students in an educational tour to Washington, D.C. from April 24<sup>th</sup> – April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2006 and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

**USER:** José de Diego Community Academy  
1313 N. Claremont  
Chicago, IL 60622  
(773) 534-4451  
David Hernandez, Teacher or Alice Vera, Principal

**PROGRAM:** Eighth grade students will culminate their studies by visiting the nation's capital.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** The students at De Diego will be exposed to a more challenging learning opportunity. They will be provided with the information and skills needed to participate meaningfully in a society of democratic decision making and power sharing.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program are being made by Educational Tours, Phone Number 1-847-509-0088.

**COST:** The per pupil cost is \$569.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel, costs, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, etc.. The costs will be paid by students and school fundraisers.

**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 David Hernandez (Teacher), Eric McGabe (Teacher), Wilma Gomez (Teacher), Meg Kouretsos (Assistant Principal), Angel Martinez (G.C.A.), Raul Mercado (Clerk), German Morales (Security), and Angela Reyes (Parent).

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at José de Diego Community Academy.

**AUTHORIZATION:** José de Diego Community Academy authorizes the President and Secretary to execute any travel agreements necessary for this program.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not applicable.

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

**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.

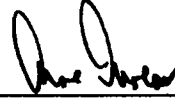
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



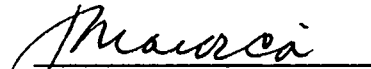
**Barbara Eason-Watkins**  
Chief Education Officer

Approved:




**Arne Duncan**  
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:

  
**John Maiorca**  
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:

  
**Patrick J. Rocks**  
General Counsel