

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF RUBEN SALAZAR 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 twenty (20) Rubén Salazar students in an educational tour to Washington D.C. from May 19-21, 2006 and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

**USER:** Rubén Salazar Bilingual Education Center  
160 W Wendell  
Chicago, Illinois 60610  
773-534-8310  
Mr. Manuel Adrianzen, Teacher

**PROGRAM:** Eight grade students will visit major sites in Washington D.C. such as the Capitol, Supreme Court, History Museums, and Arlington Cemetery to deepen social studies curricula.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** Students will increase awareness of United States (U.S.) history and political decision-making. Students will also appreciate sacrifices made by U.S. military at Arlington Cemetery. This trip will function as the eighth grade graduation trip at the end of the year.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program are being made by Educational Tours, Inc. An investigation of travel rates indicated Educational Tours provides the most economical travel services. Students will be housed at the following hotel: Hyatt Fair Lakes about 30 minutes from Washington D.C.

**COST:** The cost per student is \$798.00; about twenty (20) students will be attending at a total cost of \$15,960. Tour cost includes transportation, all meals, trip cancellation, accommodation, and protection against bodily injury or death. Parent chaperone costs are not included in the cost.

**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 Adrian Zen (Teacher), Daniel Weber (Teacher), and Maria Gomez (Teacher).

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** On file at Rubén Salazar for each child participating in the tour are written parental consent and liability release from the school. Parent/Guardians of eighth grade students were surveyed via letter and an open Parent Meeting, which took place on October 12, 2005. Parents are in support of this trip and its destination.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize 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:**

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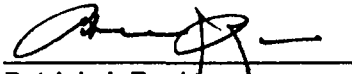
**Barbara Eason-Watkins**  
Chief Education Officer

**Arne Duncan**  
Chief Executive Officer

**Noted:**

  
**John Maiorca**  
Chief Financial Officer

**Approved as to legal form:**



**Patrick J. Rocks**  
General Counsel