

**RATIFY ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ALLAN ALSON
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify entering into an agreement with Allan Alson to provide consulting services to the Office of High School Programs at a cost not to exceed \$133,000. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis due to his unique experience in addressing the achievement gap at the high school level and his relationship with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

CONSULTANT: Allan Alson
1714 Brummel St
Evanston, IL 60202
847-424-7220
Vendor # 40003

USER: Office of High School Programs
125 S. Clark St.
Chicago, IL 60603
Dr. Donald R. Pittman
773-553-3420

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on July 1, 2006 and shall end June 30, 2007. The Board shall have 2 options to renew this agreement for periods of 1 year each. The cost of additional periods will not exceed \$133,000 per year.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Consultant will perform the following duties associated with the high school transformation project:

- Advise the overall direction of the high school transformation project across six strategic levers for change.
- Coordinate and act as liaison with the Instructional Development System (IDS) providers, which are delivering instructional materials, coaching and professional development to participating schools, to ensure smooth implementation and provide feedback on the implementation of the strategy.
- Coordinate and facilitate leadership seminars for principals participating in the high school transformation instructional strategy; facilitate principal networking processes, within a school and across schools, and interschool visitations.
- Manage a cadre of independent leadership coaches (not employees of CPS).
- Integrate his/her support role with CPS' Area Instructional Officer (AIO) management responsibilities, approach to the school and relationship to the principal.
- Participate in efforts to seek outside funding for High School transformation.

DELIVERABLES: Attend meetings and provide status reports as requested on the progress of the high school transformation strategy and the performance of schools participating in the instruction strategy.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services will result in improved instructional practice in the classroom and ultimately contribute to improved graduation rates and academic success for high school students.

COMPENSATION: Payment to consultant shall not exceed the sum of \$133,000.

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 Chief of High School Programs to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

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

FINANCIAL: Office of High School Programs: \$133,000 Fiscal Year: 2007
Budget Classification: 0470-280-432-7285-5410 Source of Funds: external sources
Requisition Number:

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 June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.


Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), 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

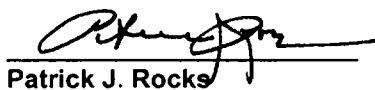
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form 


Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel