

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS FOR STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
(ALTERNATE MODES OF STUDENT TRANSPORTATION SERVICES)**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into agreements with various companies to provide Alternate Mode Vehicle Student Transportation Services to the Department of Operations for students enrolled in various Chicago Public School programs (Special Education and Non-Special Education Programs) at a cost not to exceed \$9,822,878. Vendors were selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Bid Solicitation #06-250044. A written agreement for each Vendor's services is available for signature. No payment shall be made to any Vendor prior to the execution of such Vendor's written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each Vendor in the event a written agreement for such Vendor is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report.

VENDORS:

1) Best Taxi Service 1527 Green Leaf Evanston, IL 60202 847/864-2500 Mr. Sam Mckinley Vendor #83360	2) A.M. Transportation 9330 South Constance. Chicago, IL 60617 773/734-8100 Ms. Pamela Williams Vendor #20287	3) Bluom Enterprise 3000 West 167 th Street Markham, IL 60428 708/333-9358 Mr. Allen Ross Vendor #30031
4) Caravan Transportation 4155 West Chicago Ave. Chicago, IL 60651 773/826-8141 Mr. Earnest Aldridge Vendor #35153	5) Falcon Transportation 2201 Boeger Ave Westchester, IL 60154 773/368-8000 Edward Peterson Vendor #24922	6) J.L. Harris 2101 West 69 th Street Chicago, IL 60636 773/778-5429 Mr. Johnnie Lee Harris Vendor #23269
7) Illinois Central School Bus 2739 West 139 th Blue Island, IL 60406 708/293-7400 Mr. Bruce Barr Vendor # 72017		

USER: Department of Operations/Bureau of Student Transportation
125 South Clark Street, 16th Floor
Contact Person: Chester Tindall 553-3245

ROUTE AWARDS:

(Individual route prices based on type of service and category of vehicle are on file in the Purchasing Department.)

	North & South	North	North	South	South
Vehicle Type and Vendor	Total Route Awards	Price Per Route	Service Area Route Awards	Price Per Route	Service Area Route Awards
Vehicle Category I - Minivans					
A.M. Transportation	15	N/A	N/A	\$183.66	15
Best Taxi Service	15	\$65.00	15	N/A	N/A
Bluom Enterprise	15	N/A	N/A	\$65.00	15
Caravan Transportation	5	N/A	N/A	\$274.00	5
Falcon Transportation	5	N/A	N/A	\$268.00	5
J.L. Harris	4	N/A	N/A	\$230.00	4
Illinois Central School Bus	40	\$229.00	20	\$209.00	20

	North & South	North	North	South	South
Vehicle Type and Vendor	Total Route Awards	Price Per Route	Service Area Route Awards	Price Per Route	Service Area Route Awards
Vehicle Category II - Taxicabs					
Best Taxi Service	1	\$65.00	1	N/A	N/A
Total	100				

TERM: The agreements shall be for a thirty-six month term commencing November 1, 2006 and ending October 31, 2009. Each agreement shall provide for the Board to have the option to renew the agreement for two (2) additional one (1) year period at the renewal prices specified in the original agreement.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to terminate any Vendor's agreement with sixty (60) days written notice, for any or no reason.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Vendors shall provide Alternate Mode vehicle student transportation service to and from school and other related activities, to eligible students participating in various programs as per program guidelines. Alternate Mode vehicles are either minivans with seating capacity of not more than ten (10) or taxicabs. All drivers will have an up to date Illinois School Bus Driver Permit. Service will be provided during the regular and summer school terms. Alternate Mode vehicles are primarily utilized to facilitate small numbers of students (one to three) for whom transportation service is required by Corey H, Special Education and Homeless program requirements.

COMPENSATION: Vendors shall be paid monthly in accordance with prices indicated in the contract, upon invoicing. Compensation to all Vendors shall not exceed \$3,055,422 during year 1, \$3,269,302 during year 2 and \$3,498,153 during year 3.

It is estimated that 100 routes, using two types of vehicles, will be awarded pursuant to these agreements. The number of routes actually required to provide services to students will vary as student needs change. Because the number of routes required is estimated, the total cost of the agreement is also estimated. The annual and contract term cost estimates are based upon the combined regular school year and summer school calendars established by the Board and the year-round calendars adopted by the various Non-Public facilities served. The Chicago Public Schools reserves the right, during the term of each agreement, to order the services of more or fewer routes than originally awarded through this agreement as the needs of students and/or programs change. The Board shall only be obligated for costs of routes actually operated.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreements.

AWARD CONTINGENCY: All agreements awarded hereunder are conditional upon the following: (i) a satisfactory site visit conducted by the Department of School Support Services on or before November 1, 2006, and (ii) submission of an acceptable performance bond by each Vendor

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 6.2 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan), the Per Contract and Category Goals method for M/WBE participation will be utilized. Aggregated compliance of the vendors in the pool will be reported on a monthly basis. The M/WBE participation goals for this contract include: 35% total MBE and 5% total WBE.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Bureau of Student Transportation: \$9,822,878

Fiscal Year	Budget Classification	Amount
FY06	0945- fund various-project- various-program various-5510 (Bus Services)	\$3,055,422
FY07	0945- fund various-project- various-program various-5510 (Bus Services)	\$3,269,302
FY08	0945- fund various-project- various-program various-5510 (Bus Services)	\$3,498,153

The State of Illinois provides reimbursement for student transportation costs to the Chicago Public Schools through a Block Grant procedure. Student Transportation and several other programs are partially funded by the State through the same Block Grant. Specific funding levels for each program included in the Block Grant are not identified. The funding amount for the Block Grant is pre-determined by the State. State funds must be appropriated for this purpose.

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).

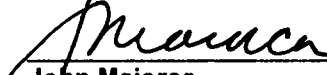
Approved for Consideration:


Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

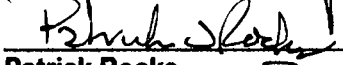
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Patrick Rocks
General Counsel