

**APPROVE PARTICIPATION OF PROSSER CAREER ACADEMY STUDENTS IN THE SISTER CITIES  
STUDENT ATHLETE CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED  
TO THE PROGRAM**

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

Approve the participation of Prosser Career Academy High School students in the Sister Cities Student Athlete Cultural Exchange Program.

**USER:** Prosser Career Academy High School  
2148 North Long Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60639  
Contact: Kenneth Hunter, Principal  
Phone: 773-534-3200

**PROGRAM:** The Sister Cities Student Athlete Cultural Exchange Program will give nine Prosser student athletes the opportunity to travel to Birmingham, England for 8 days to participate in activities that will promote cultural/social diversity appreciation and develop student leadership skills.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** The students from Prosser will interact with students from different countries throughout the Program and will learn about different cultures. Students in the Program will establish a link by working together and sharing goals/teamwork skill development activities. One of these activities will promote basketball development with the purpose of establishing an interscholastic program in Birmingham, England. As the Prosser students work with the international group of students, their communication skills will improve. They will learn how to work cooperatively with people from other cultures and learn to develop positive group dynamics. These skills will help them as they encounter new learning situations throughout their lives. While in England the students will take educational tours to significant geographic and historical landmarks and these trips will enhance their global awareness and sense of history.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Jeffrey S. Bates, a teacher from Prosser, is organizing this trip and making all travel and lodging arrangements.

**COST:** The per person cost is \$1,500 which includes transportation, meals, hotel, costs, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, etc. These costs will be paid through donations received by Prosser specifically for this Program.

**CHAPERONES:** Student supervision will be provided for this Program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01 ("Policy on Student Travel"). There will be a total of nine(9) students and three (3) chaperones.

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Prosser Career Academy High School.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Not applicable.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not applicable.

**LSC REVIEW:** This action was approved by the LSC.

**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.

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 any 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 any agreement.

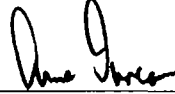
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

**Approved for Consideration:**



**Barbara Eason-Watkins**  
**Chief Education Officer**

**Approved:**



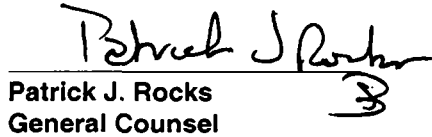
**Arne Duncan**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

**Within Appropriation:**



**John Maiorca**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

**Approved as to legal form:** *BH*



**Patrick J. Rocks**  
**General Counsel**