

**AUTHORIZE PARTICIPATION IN THE AVID SUMMER INSTITUTE PROGRAM
AND PAYMENTS TO A HOTEL FOR LODGING**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the participation of approximately 300 CPS educators and administrators in the AVID Summer Institute 2007 which will be held in Chicago, Illinois from June 25-29, 2007; and authorize payments to the vendor listed below for the related lodging and food and beverage expenses, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$250,000. The vendor was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 5-4. Information pertinent to this Program is stated below.

VENDOR: Sofitel Chicago O'Hare
5550 N. River Road
Rosemont, Illinois 60018
Phone: 847-678-4488
Contact: Lauren Sikorski
Vendor No.: 61422

USER: Office of High Schools and High School Programs
125 South Clark Street, 12th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Phone: 773-553-2140
Contact Person: Dr. Donald R. Pittman

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) provides a proprietary curriculum (including materials) and support services (AVID Program) to students and educators in 45 CPS high schools. Under a separate Board Report, this use of the AVID Program is being expanded to a minimum of 10 additional CPS high schools during the 2007-2008 School Year. Approximately 300 educators and administrators from the schools where the AVID Program will be used and the Office of High School Programs need to attend the AVID Summer Institute 2007 to maximize the Board's utilization of the AVID Program, materials and services. Participants at the AVID Summer Institute, will: (1) know and understand the mission of the AVID Program and the role of the AVID academic elective in achieving that mission, (2) know and understand how the AVID Program can be used as a catalyst for a school wide reform effort, (3) understand WIC-R (Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Reading) as the basis for instruction across the curriculum, (4) understand the role of the individual as a member of an AVID Program site team, (5) participate with a site team to develop a school wide action plan, and (6) integrate the AVID Program curriculum using school and district vertical teams.

HOTEL ARRANGEMENTS: Lodging arrangements will be made directly by CPS with the Sofitel Hotel.

COST: The estimated per participant cost for the Summer Institute is \$785.44, which includes lodging and food and beverage.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in any required travel and lodging agreements. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any such agreements. Authorize the Chief Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate these agreements, if any.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE) this contract is exempt from review. The contract is to approve participation and payment for the lodging of the AVID participants.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of High School Programs: \$250,000 Fiscal Year: 2007
Budget Classification: 0915-210-000-1720-5500

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:


Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

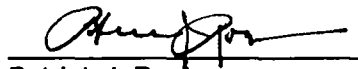
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 


Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel