

RATIFY THE PARTICIPATION OF GLOBAL VISIONS ACADEMY TO ORLANDO, FLORIDA**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Ratify the participation of twenty (20) Global Visions Academy students that attended Senior Class Trip: Disney Grad Night on April 18, 2007 through April 23, 2007 in Orlando, Florida.

USER: Global Visions Academy
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Martha McKinley

PROGRAM: Senior students participated in Disney's Grad Night © from April 18, 2007 through April 23, 2007 in Orlando, Florida.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: This trip afforded students several educational opportunities which included: reinforced important environmental science and biology concepts included the loss of biodiversity, the interconnectedness of all living things, and habitat destruction; provided a behind the scenes look at the creative ways scientists and animal-care staff handle complex issues related to the care of animals especially nutritional issues and animal behavioral studies; an opportunity to emphasize globalization and technology; students had an opportunity to participate in virtual tours to eleven foreign countries so students explored the people, practices and cultures that shaped the world in which we live utilizing technology, communication and commerce. Students had the opportunity to meet and interact with students from other school districts throughout the country.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program were made by *Graduates on Tour* © (c/o Mike Ballentine) 1510 Jenni Lee Court Kissimmee, Florida 34744 (888) 243-6023.

COST: The per pupil cost was \$300.00 which included, meals, hotel, costs, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, and admission to all the theme parks and events around Disney's Grad Night ©. The costs were paid by the students.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students was provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults. three certified teachers and one certified counselor traveled with the students: Martha McKinley (Dean), Stefany Whiting (Teacher), Deidre Jordan (Teacher), and Brenda Newbern (Counselor).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Global Visions Academy and with Martha McKinley in Orlando, Florida.

AUTHORIZATION: Not applicable.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

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

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board at this time.

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:



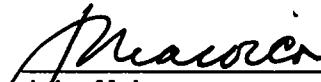
Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

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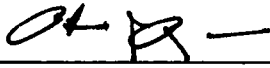
Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel