

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE GOKNOW LEARNING, INC. FOR
SOFTWARE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with GoKnow Learning, Inc. ("GoKnow") for purchase of Handheld Learning Environment (HLE) software, PAAM server, Rubberneck software, and related professional development services, at a cost not to exceed \$194,376.00. Consultant was selected on a competitive basis but CPOR was not submitted therefore not meeting requirements for a competitive determination. A written agreement for this software and professional development is currently being negotiated. No goods or services will be ordered or received and no payment shall be made to GoKnow prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 90 days of the date of this board report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

CONSULTANT:

GoKnow Learning, Inc.
2084 South State Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104
(877) 482-3439
Vendor Number: 11373

USER:

Office of Literacy
Chicago Public Schools
125 South Clark Street, 9th floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Jodi Dodds Kinner
(773) 553-3550

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end August 31, 2008. The Board shall have 3 options to renew this agreement for periods of 1 year each.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: GoKnow will provide Handheld Learning Environment (HLE) software for handheld devices to all schools that receive support under the Striving Readers Project, including control and experiment schools. GoKnow will work with school staff to plan, rollout and evaluate this initiative, including providing professional development to support school-based technology leaders and teachers in integrating handheld computers and software into the existing curriculum.

DELIVERABLES: GoKnow will provide the following to the Office of Literacy Striving Readers Project:

- 3,000 annual software licenses for Handheld Learning Environment (HLM) software for Palm OS, including FreeWrite, Sketchy, PiCoMap, FlingIt, Cells, iKWL, Locker, ViewPoint, and PAAM
- 3,000 perpetual licenses for Rubberneck software
- 1 perpetual license and setup of a locally-hosted PAAM server, including maintenance
- 39 on-site and 68 web-based professional development workshops for teachers in the Striving Readers Project

OUTCOMES: Consultant's products and services shall result in the improved academic achievement of participating students as determined through various data captured by the GoKnow program so that educators, parents, administrators, and students can substantiate the impact on teaching and learning.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as periodic invoices are submitted and verified, with the total

REIMBURSEABLE EXPENSES: None

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement including any Board indemnities to be provided to the Consultant. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize Director of Elementary Literacy to execute all documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: The M/WBE goals for this contract include: 35% total MBE and 5% total WBE.

However, the Waiver Review Committee recommends that a partial waiver of the M/WBE participation goals for this contract as required by the Remedial Program be granted because the contract scope is not further divisible.

The vendor has identified and scheduled the following firms and percentages:

Total WBE – 55%

Cathleen Norris - WBE
301 Tampico Drive
Irving, Texas 75062 independent consultant

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Office of Literacy: \$106,095.00 Fiscal Year: 2007-2008
Budget Classification: 13705-364-53306-221006-500788-2008
Source of Funds: Striving Readers Grant

Charge to: Office of Literacy: \$88,281.00 Fiscal Year: 2007-2008
Budget Classification: 13705-364-54125-221006-500788-2008
Source of Funds: Striving Readers Grant

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 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:



Pedro Martinez
Chief Financial Officer

Approve as to legal form: 



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel