

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SCHOOLRISE, LLC
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with SchoolRise, LLC to provide consulting services to select Chicago Public Schools at a cost not to exceed \$125,000.00. Consultant was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 5-4.1. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Consultant and no payment shall be made to Consultant 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:	<u>Partnership Schools</u>	<u>Area</u>
SchoolRise, LLC	Fairfield	11
PO Box 802508	Hearst	11
Chicago, IL 60607-3415	Marquette	11
(312) 203-1544	McKay	11
Contact: Taffy E. Raphael	Morrill	11
Vendor #97747		

USER:	Chief Education Office	Office of Instructional Design and Assessment
	125 South Clark Street, 5 th Floor	125 South Clark Street, 5 th Floor
	Dr. Barbara Eason-Watkins	Xavier Botana
	(773) 553-1500	(773) 553-5060

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence upon execution of the agreement and shall end June 30, 2008. This agreement shall have three (3) options to renew for periods of one (1) year each.

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

SCOPE OF SERVICES: SchoolRise will support five schools in Area 11 designated for restructuring under the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB). SchoolRise will implement the Standards-Based Change (SBC) Process in order to facilitate a school improvement change process focused on literacy standards. SchoolRise will facilitate a 3-day leadership seminar attended by all partnership schools; 4 days of on-site support for each school; up to 7 half-day sessions attended by all partnership schools; and a debriefing meeting for each partnership school. Schools will receive support from a SchoolRise Specialist, SchoolRise Consultants, and the SchoolRise Executive Director and/or President.

DELIVERABLES:

- 3-day leadership seminar workshops for school leadership teams facilitated by a SchoolRise Specialist
- 1 day of on-site support for each school facilitated by a SchoolRise Specialist
- 3 days of on-site support for each school facilitated by a SchoolRise Consultant
- Up to 7 half-day meetings attended by leadership teams from all schools facilitated by a SchoolRise Specialist, Executive Director and/or President
- End-of-year debriefing for self-assessment and long-term planning facilitated by a SchoolRise Specialist, Executive Director, and/or President
- Phone and e-mail consultation as needed

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services will 1) increase student achievement, 2) meet NCLB/State/CPS accountability requirements, 3) improve school leadership, 4) establish a student-centered learning climate, and 5) provide effective professional development activities.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as periodic invoices are submitted and verified, in amounts not to exceed the sum of \$125,000.00.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize Chief Officer of Instructional Design and Assessment to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: This contract is in full compliance with the goals required by the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned participation in Goods and Services contracts. The goals for this contract include 25% total MBE and 5% total WBE.

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

Total MBE – 95%

SchoolRise (A) – 95%
P.O. Box 802508
Chicago, Illinois 60607-3415
Contact: Taffy E. Raphael certification pending approval

Total WBE – 5%

Copies Now, Inc.
111 W. Washington Street
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Contact: Bindu Shroff certified through 08/31/2008

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Instructional Design and Assessment: \$125,000.00 FY: 2007-2008
Budget Classification: 11290-367-54125-221021-433112

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:



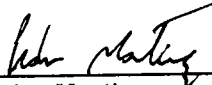
Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer *HRP*

Approved:



Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Pedro Martinez
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form *JM*



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel