

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LITTLE BLACK PEARL WORKSHOP
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Little Black Pearl Workshop to provide consulting services to Office of High Schools and High School Programs at a cost not to exceed \$145,000.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because Little Black Pearl Workshop has the ability and capacity to provide art education, life skills, and entrepreneur development to the population of students who are described as most at risk for educational failure. Additionally, their curriculum is aligned with the Illinois State Learning Standards. Their program prepares students involved in the juvenile justice system, those who have been expelled from Chicago Public Schools, and those over-age students who have not met graduation criteria, an opportunity to give back to communities in which they may have caused harm. Students engage in community beautification projects and business development projects. 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: Little Black Pearl Workshop
1060 East 47th Street
Chicago, Illinois 60653
(773) 285-1211
Vendor # 25990

USER: Office of High Schools and High School Programs
125 South Clark – 12th Floor
Carmita Vaughan
(773)-553-1498

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end twelve of months thereafter.

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

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Little Black Pearl Workshop will provide art education, life skills workshops and entrepreneur development to 60 students who have dropped out of high school, but are re-engaged; students who are involved with the juvenile justice system and are on probation and or parole; and to over age, off track students who did not graduate from 8th grade. Sessions will be held 2 days per week, 3 hours each day for 30 weeks, thirty students will attend session one and 30 students will attend session two. The curriculum shall focus on art education, career development, business training, and life skills. Activities are intended to increase the likelihood of students graduating from high school with a high school credential, decreasing the rate of recidivism for those students on probation and parole, and reducing chronic truant behavior. Students will be involved in community beautification projects, and real time art studio experiences. Students will engage in business training courses such as: importance of credit, banking education; developing business profiles, and business management as it relates to the field of art.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant will deliver the following: a) student reflections 2 weeks following each class and studio rotations; b) student attendance time sheets following each week of attendance; c) student satisfaction surveys following each studio rotation; d) business training curriculum on week following student enrollment ; e) art education curriculum one week following student enrollment and; f) a comprehensive programmatic report following the conclusion of the program.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services will result in a 10 to 20% increase in student attendance, 10% decrease in school suspensions, and a 2% decrease in recidivism for those students involved in the juvenile justice system.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: equal monthly payments, not to exceed the sum of \$145,000.00

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.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation in Goods and Services Contracts, M/WBE provisions do not apply to those vendors who operate as Not-for-Profit organizations.

LSC REVIEW: Not Applicable

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of High Schools and High School Programs: \$145,000.00
 Fiscal Year: 2007-2008

Budget Classification	66301-225-54125-119020-000703	\$ 25,000.00
	11320-115-54125-212025-000000	\$120,000.00
Source of Funds:	SGSA	
	General Education	

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.

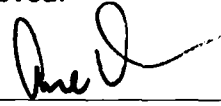
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:




Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:



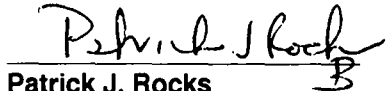
Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Pedro Martinez
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form. *Jan*



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel