# APPROVE THE EXTENSION OF THE AGREEMENTS WITH IT'S ABOUT TIME, A DIVISION OF HERFF JONES, INC.; KENDALL/HUNT PUBLISHING CO.; PASCO SCIENTIFIC, INC.; AND SCIENCE KIT, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF HIGH SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION SCIENCE EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS KITS

#### THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve extension of the agreements with It's About Time, a division of Herff Jones, Inc.; Kendall/Hunt Publishing Co.; Pasco Scientific, Inc.; and Science Kit, LLC (collectively the "Vendors") for the purchase of science equipment and materials kits for schools enrolled in the High School Transformation Support for Instructional Services Program at a cost not to exceed \$8,000,000.00 during the extension period. Written documents extending the agreements are currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Vendors prior to the execution of the written extension agreements. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event written extension agreements are not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to the agreements is stated below.

### **VENDORS:**

1) Kendall/Hunt Publishing Co. 4050 Westmark Drive Dubuque, IA 52002-2624 563-589-1000 Vendor #50571 Awarded: 9<sup>th</sup> Biology Course One 11<sup>th</sup> Biology Course Three

3) Pasco Scientific Inc. 10101 Foothills Blvd. Roseville, CA 95747 916-786-3800

Vendor# 18572

Awarded: 9th Grade Probes/Sensors Biology

10<sup>th</sup> Grade Probes/Sensors Chemistry One 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Probes/Sensors Chemistry Two 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Probes/Sensors Chemistry-Physics

11<sup>th</sup> Grade Probes/Sensors Biology 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Probes Sensors Physics

**USER:** Office of High School Programs

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84 Business Park, Suite 307 Armonk, NY 10504

773-279-3264 Vendor# 31837

Awarded: 9th Grade Environmental Science

10<sup>th</sup> Grade Chemistry-Physics 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Physics Course

4) Science Kit, LLC 777 East Park P.O. BOX 5003 Tonawanda, NY 14151 Vendor # 45941

Awarded: 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Biology Course Two

10<sup>th</sup> Grade Chemistry Course One 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Chemistry Course Two

**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:** The original agreements (authorized by Board Report 07-0523-PR12) in the amount of \$ 3,000,000.00 is for a term commencing July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008. The original agreement was awarded on a competitive basis pursuant to a duly advertised bid solicitation (Specification # 02-250013).

**EXTENSION PERIOD:** The term of these agreements is being extended for six months commencing July 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2008.

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

## **DESCRIPTION OF PURCHASE:**

Goods: Vendors will continue to provide the Board with the materials to be purchased through the agreements with It's About Time, a division of Herff Jones, Inc.; Kendall/Hunt Publishing Co.; Pasco Scientific, Inc.; and Science Kit, LLC reinforce the Support for Instruction Services component of the CPS High School Transformation Project. The items to be purchased include science equipment such as microscopes and hot plates; consumable materials such as chemicals and live specimens; and durable goods such as laboratory glassware and tools.

Quantity: The original agreements, provided for the materials to supply ninth (9<sup>th</sup>) and tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) grade sections at 25 schools participating in the High School Transformation Support for Instructional Services Programs. During the extension period, materials to supply 9th grade courses at 18 additional cohort three schools as well as materials for eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) grade courses at cohort one schools and 10<sup>th</sup> grade courses at cohort 2 schools result in a marked increase in the number of needed science materials kits. (See chart below).

# Ramp-Up Schedule for Science Instructional Development System

School Year	Participating Grade Levels		
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Cohort One (15 schools)	9 <sup>th</sup> grade	9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> grade	9 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup> grade
Cohort Two (11 schools)		9 <sup>th</sup> grade	9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> grade
Cohort Three (18 schools)			9 <sup>th</sup> grade

Each laboratory in a participating school will receive a supply of equipment and materials for 8 students groups comprising approximately 32 students.

Unit Price: The unit pricing for science kits has been established in the original agreements (authorized by Board Report 07-0523-PR12) pursuant to a duly advertised bid solicitation (Specification # 02-250013). Total pricing is to be determined by the needs of each participating school.

**OUTCOMES:** The science materials included in the agreements will help to ensure that schools participating in the Support for Instructional Services component of the CPS High School Transformation Project are fully equipped to execute the instructional strategy developed by the educational consultants hired through implementation of Board Report 06-0125-PR17 as amended. The science materials will be packaged into kits by the Vendors according to the chapters or units of the textbooks they support in order to facilitate usage, storage, and organization for the teachers enrolled in the Instructional Support Program.

**COMPENSATION:** During the extension period, vendors shall be paid a sum not to exceed \$8,000,000.00 in accordance with the unit prices contained in the agreements.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written extension agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the extension agreement. Authorize Chief Officer of High School Programs to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this extension agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Pursuant to section 6.2 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan), the Per Contract and Category Goals method for

M/WBE participation will be utilized. Thus, contracts for subsequent vendors from the pool created by this contract will be subject to compliance reviews on a contract-by-contract basis. Aggregated compliance of the vendors in the pool will be reported on a monthly basis.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Citywide Education Fund, not to exceed \$8,000,000.00

Fiscal Year: 2009

Budget Classification: 13732-115-53305-221243-000000

Source of Funds: General Education Fund

#### **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 member 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:

**Arne Duncan** 

Chief Executive Officer

**Approved for Consideration:** 

Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

Pedro Martinez

**Chief Financial Officer** 

Approved as to legal form:

Patrick J. Rocks General Counsel