

**APPROVE EXERCISING THE OPTION TO RENEW THE MASTER AGREEMENTS
WITH VARIOUS CONSULTANTS FOR PROGRAM EVALUATION SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the first option to renew Master Agreements with various consultants for external evaluation services to be used by the Chicago Board of Education, including various central office departments, at a cost not to exceed \$6,000,000.00 in the aggregate for this option period. A written renewal agreement for each consultant is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to any consultant for services rendered during this option period prior to the execution of such consultant's written renewal agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each consultant in the event a written renewal agreement for such consultant is not executed within ninety (90) days of this Board Report. Information pertinent to these written renewal agreements is stated below.

CONSULTANTS:

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4. Macro International, Inc
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USERS: The Chief Performance Office and various other departments of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago. To better match the unique needs of each district evaluation project with a consultant having the skill set and resources required for the project, user departments must consult with the Chief Performance Officer or designee prior to selecting a consultant from this list. Approval to utilize a consultant's services shall not be given unless mandated by the terms of a grant or other legal obligation or unless approved in writing by the Chief Executive Officer or his designee.

ORIGINAL AGREEMENT: The original Master Agreements (authorized by Board Report #07-0926-PR15) in the aggregate amount of \$3,000,000 are for a term commencing upon the execution of each Master Agreement and ending June 30, 2009. Each Master Agreement has one (1) option to renew for a period of two (2) years. Consultants were selected on a competitive basis pursuant to a duly authorized Request for Proposals (Specification No. 07-250021).

OPTION PERIOD: Each Master Agreement shall be renewed for a term commencing July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2011.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING: There are no option periods remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: In accordance with the requirements of their Master Agreements and the scope(s) of services negotiated for each assigned project ("Project Plans"), consultants will continue to: 1) evaluate the effectiveness of the implementations and outcomes (arising from it) for various district programs; 2) design program evaluation plans; 3) conduct focus groups and structured interviews of participants; 4) develop, administer, and analyze surveys of participants and instructors; 5) execute reviews of written materials produced under district programs; 6) observe and document activities of district programs such as professional development offerings, university courses, classroom lessons and coaching sessions; 7) design and conduct a variety of quantitative and qualitative data analyses; and 8) disseminate evaluation results to relevant stakeholders in written and oral formats.

DELIVERABLES: Consultants will continue to provide all of the following:

- 1) Deliverables specified in their individual Master Agreements and Project Plans; and
- 2) Monthly written updates as to the progress of work, as well as periodic formal reports including, at minimum, an end of project summary report; and
- 3) Regular presentations to senior district staff, at minimum quarterly; and
- 4) Make available, as requested by the Board, copies of all measurement instruments, interview and observational protocols used, and copies of all final analysis computer code generated.

OUTCOMES: Evaluation continues to be an integral part of the strategic goals of the district. Program evaluation is envisioned as the application of systematic research methods to assess program design, delivery, implementation, and effectiveness. More specifically, the purpose of program evaluation is to provide empirical information that is useful to program developers, program staff, program managers, senior management, policy makers, and other stakeholders. Consultant services will provide evaluation tools and reports which will help the district:

- Develop and promulgate new program(s) (Program design)
- Assess the delivery and implementation of existing program(s) (Program delivery)
- Assess program effectiveness (Program outcomes)

In support of these evaluation activities is the recognized importance of providing district staff (at the program and highest administrative levels) with relevant evaluation information throughout the calendar year. It is expected that the distribution of evaluation information as feedback will be provided via the

established infrastructure of the organization (e.g., scheduled team or committee meetings, written reports), and is expected to encompass lessons learned from evaluation at all levels. The consultant services and data collected will allow for determination as to whether (and to what degree) various district programs meet their anticipated outcomes.

COMPENSATION: Consultants shall be paid in accordance with the prices and deliverables stated in their respective renewal agreements and Project Plans. The total compensation payable to all consultants during this option period shall not exceed \$6,000,000.00 in the aggregate.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written renewal agreements. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the renewal agreements. Authorize the Chief Performance Officer to execute individual Scopes of Services (Project Plans) and amendments to such Scopes of Services (Project Plans). Authorize the Chief Purchasing Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate the renewal agreements.

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 various schools and departments Fiscal Year: 2009-2010
Budget Classification: Various 2010-2011
Requisition Number: Various

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.

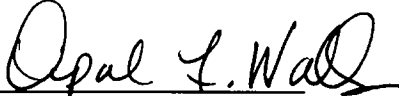
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their 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:



Opal L. Walls
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:




Ron Huberman
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Pedro Martinez
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel

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