

August 26, 2009

**AUTHORIZE CONTINUED RETENTION OF THE LAW FIRM
HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP**

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the continued retention of the law firm Holland and Knight, LLP.

DESCRIPTION: Authorize the continued retention of Holland and Knight, LLP in various transactional matters with vendors related to the purchase and lease of desktop and laptop computers and continued implementation of instructional development systems (IDS) related to high school transformation. Authorization is requested for the firm's services in the amount of \$25,000. As invoices are received, they will be reviewed by the General Counsel and, if satisfactory, processed for payment.

LSC REVIEW: LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: None.

FINANCIAL: Charge \$25,000.00 to Law Department- Legal and Supportive Service - Professional Services:
Budget Classification Fiscal Year 2010..... 10210-115-54125-231101-000000

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, is hereby 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, is hereby 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,



PATRICK J. ROCKS
General Counsel

Within Appropriation:



PEDRO MARTINEZ
Chief Financial Officer