

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ERIKSON INSTITUTE
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES TO THE EARLY MATHEMATICS EDUCATION PROJECT**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Erikson Institute to provide consulting services to the Office of Early Childhood Education at a cost not to exceed \$150,000. Consultant was selected because of their expertise in the area of Early Math Education. In addition, this is the third year of the project. Years one and two were at no cost to the Board. The project has been so successful that additional teachers have requested training. CPS will be funding only a portion of the program cost. 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: Erikson Institute
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Chicago, IL 60654
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Vendor #: 73654
Contact: Jie-Qi Chen, Ph.D

USER: Office of Early Childhood Education
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Chicago, IL 60603
(773) 553-2018
Contact: Paula A. Cottone

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end July 31, 2010.

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

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Consultant will provide three professional development components: core training, an advanced seminar, and coach development. Core training in the 2009-2010 school year will involve approximately 80 CPS preschool and kindergarten teachers. A yearlong process, the training will focus on a range of content areas, such as numbers and operations, algebraic thinking, spatial sense, and measurement. Participating teachers will also learn strategies that engage children in mathematics thinking and problem solving.

Participation in the advanced seminar will require successful completion of the core training program. The advanced seminar will take place in the evenings or on the weekends. Participants will receive one lane credit for a total of 15 contact hours. The advanced seminar will focus on the applications of big ideas in early mathematics education.

Coach development will be provided to approximately 30 CPS early childhood coaches. In addition, refresher sessions will be provided during the year. The program training will develop coaching skills in the context of early mathematics. To enhance their work, the EME program staff will meet monthly with coaches to discuss classroom observations and teacher reflection.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant will provide: 5 half day sessions of core training in early mathematics for approximately 80 preschool and kindergarten teachers; fifteen hours of advanced training for approximately 30 teachers who successfully complete the core training; and training, support, and monthly follow up for 30 early childhood coaches.

OUTCOMES: Teachers will gain fundamental mathematics knowledge and skills and provide quality mathematics educational experience to their students. Preschool children will experience a quality mathematics early education program which will become a doorway to later school success. Program training will develop coaching skills in the context of early mathematics.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: two equal payments, one when contract is executed and the final payment will be made six months later. The total amount will not exceed the sum of \$150,000.

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 the Deputy Chief Early Childhood Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Contract Participation in Goods and Service contracts, MIWBE provisions do not apply to universities.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Early Childhood Education: \$150,000 Fiscal Year: 2009-2010

Budget Classification:	11385-115-54125-221011-376619	\$100,000
	11385-362-54125-300006-510215	\$50,000

Source of Funds: Early Childhood Block Grant
Head Start Program

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

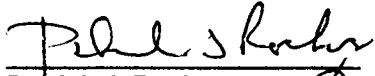
Approved:


Ron Huberman
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Pedro Martinez
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form 


Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel 