

**APPROVE EXERCISING THE OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH THE  
READING WRITING PROJECT NETWORK LLC**

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

Approve exercising the option to renew the agreement with Reading Writing Project Network LLC for the Teacher's College Reading and Writing Project to provide consulting services to the Office of Literacy at a cost for the option period not to exceed \$231,550.00. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Consultant during the option period prior to the execution of the written document. 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 option is stated below.

**CONSULTANT:** Reading Writing Project Network LLC  
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18 Pelham Lane  
Ridgefield, CT 06877  
212-678-3214  
Contact: Kathy Neville  
Vendor No. 67094

**USER:** Teaching and Learning  
125 S. Clark 5th Floor  
Chicago, IL 60603  
Kay Volk  
(773) 553-5060

**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:** The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report 08-0827-PR36 as amended by Board Report 09-0422-PR20) in the amount of \$231,550.00 is for a term commencing August 15, 2008 and ending July 31, 2009, with the Board having two options to renew for one year terms. The original agreement was awarded on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 5-4.1.

**OPTION PERIOD:** The term of this agreement is being extended for one year commencing September 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.

**OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:** There is one option period for one year remaining.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Consultant will continue to provide on-site professional development for writing. The Reading and Writing Project Network staff developers will work with coaching teams and teachers to refine and review effective practices that promote school-wide deployment of classroom and school strategies that ensure systemic classroom and school-wide academic achievement. Professional services will be provided at school sites and will include the services of primary grade staff developers and upper elementary grade staff developers. Staff developers will address the following topics:

- The central role of curriculum development and planning in the teaching of writing
- Units of study across the year in the writing workshop
- Methods of holding students accountable for doing their best work
- Assessing and planning for work with individuals and small groups
- Using literature to help students craft their writing
- Classroom structures that support inquiry and collaboration
- Creating own mini-lessons based on assessment

**DELIVERABLES:** Consultant will continue to perform tasks detailed in the scope of services, including: 1) professional development services for planning and teaching writing 2) on-site professional services with upper and primary grade staff developers. Professional development topics provided by professional development staff will include but are not limited to; units of study across the year in writing workshop,

using literature to help students craft their writing, creating classroom structures that support inquiry and collaboration and assessing and planning writing work with individuals and small groups.

**OUTCOMES:** Consultant's services will result in increased expertise in writing instruction that will improve students' writing achievement. This project will impact approximately 74,500.00 students in grades K-8; more than 2980 teachers, 100 Area Reading Coaches and Literacy Coaches; 24 principals; 25 and central office staff.

**COMPENSATION:** Consultant shall be paid during this option period as set forth in the renewal agreement; total compensation not to exceed \$231,550.

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

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** This contract is in full compliance with the requirements of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts. The M/WBE goals for this agreement include: 15% total MBE and 15% total WBE participation.

The Vendor has identified the following:

**Total MBE – 15%**

Enid Martinez (H) Independent Consultant  
77 Levit Avenue  
Staton Island, NY 10314

Tiffany Davis-Nealy (AA) Independent Consultant  
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S. Ozone Park, NY 11420

Karma Suttles (AA) Independent Consultant  
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New York, NY 10012

Jane Bean-Folkes (AA) Independent Consultant  
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South Orange, NJ 07079

Monique Knight (AA) Independent Consultant  
221 108 Avenue  
Queens Village, NY 11429

**Total WBE – 15%**

Dahlia Dallal Independent Consultant  
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Sara Kugler Independent Consultant  
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Brooklyn, NY 11218

Kate Roberts Independent Consultant  
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Brooklyn, NY 11217

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Maggie Beattie Independent Consultant  
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Meghan Berry Independent Consultant  
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Mary Ehrenworth Independent Consultant  
4525 Henry Hudson Pkwy., Apt. # B603  
New York, NY 10471

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Office of Literacy: \$231,550 Fiscal year: 2010  
Budget Classification: 13705.353.54125.221039.494025 Source of Funds: Title II  
Requisition Number: TBD

**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.

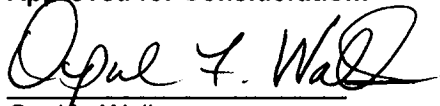
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their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



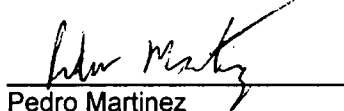
Opal L. Walls  
Chief Purchasing Officer

**Approved:**



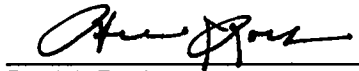
Ron Huberman  
Chief Executive Officer

**Within Appropriation:**



Pedro Martinez  
Chief Financial Officer

**Approved as to legal form:** 



Patrick Rocks  
General Counsel