

APPROVE EXERCISING THE FIRST OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH SCHOOLNET, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF GRADEBOOK SOFTWARE LICENSES, IMPLEMENTATION, AND SUPPORT SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the first option to renew the agreement with Schoolnet, Inc. ("Schoolnet" or "Consultant") to provide software and consulting services to Information & Technology Services at a cost not to exceed \$930,000.00. Consultant was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-2. 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 document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

SPEC NO.: 07-2500036

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATOR: Craig Holloway

VENDOR: Schoolnet, Inc.
525 7th Avenue, 4th Floor
New York, NY 10018
Contact: Andrews Johns
Phone: (646) 496-9000
Vendor #: 37402

USER: Information & Technology Services
125 South Clark, 3rd Floor
Chicago, IL 60603
Contact: Arshele Stevens, Chief Information Officer
Phone: (773) 553-1300

ORIGINAL AGREEMENT: The original Agreement (authorized by Board Report 08-0123-PR6 as amended by 09-0527-PR11) in the amount of \$2,296,600.00 is for a term commencing on March 25, 2008 and ending March 24, 2010, 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 March 25, 2010 and ending March 24, 2011.

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

USE OF SOFTWARE: Schoolnet will continue to provide enterprise level licensing for GradeSpeed.Net release 4.0 which includes software modules for Gradebook functions, the Parent Connection module, and the Student Connection module. Schoolnet will continue to provide technical support on this licensed software, which consists of program corrections and enhancements that Schoolnet may develop during the term of this agreement as long as the Board's technical support fee is current. There are no third party licenses associated with this software.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Existing Software Version: Schoolnet will provide maintenance and support for Schoolnet GradeSpeed, which includes modules for Grading, Attendance, Student and Parent Portals (English/Spanish). Schoolnet will provide any technical program corrections and enhancements that may develop during the extended term of this agreement as long as the Board's technical support fee is current. There are no third party licenses associated with this software.

Software Upgrade: Schoolnet will provide maintenance and support for all major version upgrades, which includes modules for Grading, Attendance, Student and Parent Portals (English/Spanish/Polish, Curriculum tracking and increased standardized test and assessment data interoperability with other CPS systems. Schoolnet will provide any technical program corrections and enhancements that may develop during the extended term of this agreement as long as the Board's technical support fee is current. There are no third party licenses associated with this software.

DELIVERABLES: Schoolnet will provide:

- **License and Maintenance:** Schoolnet will provide annual license and maintenance services for Schoolnet GradeSpeed for CPS school district. Schoolnet will provide maintenance which consists of program corrections and enhancements that Schoolnet may develop during the extended term of this agreement as long as the Board's annual maintenance fee is current. Maintenance will also include any changes required by the Board as a result of new or modified State or Federal requirements regarding special education. Schoolnet will also provide support on this licensed software, which consists of resolving trouble tickets, corrective maintenance, knowledge management, and knowledge transfer, as well as the following:
 - Regular software updates and installers
 - Database cleanup and alter scripts (usually part of installers)
 - Bug Fixes targeted to highest priority defects
 - Updated user guides to accompany each release
 - Minor feature and functional enhancement
 - Performance Optimizations
 - Integration testing for embedded components
 - Software Testing
 - Compatibility Testing (New OS, SQL Server, etc.)
- **Additional Support:** Schoolnet shall provide time and material support for the creation of custom CPS deliverables including Polish Parent/Student Portal, phase one response to intervention (RtI) functions and all other new functions provided supporting business requirements and technical specifications are provided.

OUTCOMES: The underlying goal of the solution is to provide both CPS educators and the parent community at large with a real-time means of tracking student performance and proactively monitoring academic progress towards defined educational goals. The product itself will provide educators with a means of performing all grading related tasks irrespective of physical location. Additionally, the solution must continue to integrate seamlessly with the existing IMPACT modules with respect to sharing key student data, such as attendance, grades and disciplinary status. Gradebook must also continue to provide parents with a means of actively monitoring academic performance for multiple student children. Parent-side functionality must allow users to define student performance thresholds that initiate automated alerts via phone, email or text message.

Teachers will have:

- Remote access for grading activities.
- Support for Illinois standards based grading.
- Provide a Gradebook that contains class period, assessment information, and homework assignments.
- ◇ Proactive monitoring of student progress toward defined educational goals.

Administrators & Performance Management will have:

- Real-Time monitoring of grades and attendance.
- Analytic capacity to support Performance Management framework
 - Reports
 - Data Collection for key curriculum identifiers
 - Increased integration with assessment and standardized test data

- Administrative access to teacher grade books at their location. By extension, similar tiered access to Area and District personnel.
- ✧ Optimized decision making

Parents will have:

- Online access to student progress reports and report cards.
- Online access to student attendance and grades.
- Automated notification of student performance based on parent defined thresholds.
- ✧ Increased collaboration and communication between Parents and School Staff.

Students will have:

- Provision of an online conduit for submitting HS course requests
- An online, real-time means of tracking grades to date
- ✧ Improved academic performance

COMPENSATION: Schoolnet shall be paid for license and maintenance annually upon invoicing, for a total not to exceed \$430,000 in fiscal year 2010 and \$430,000 in fiscal year 2011. Schoolnet shall be paid for customizations upon invoicing as outlined in "Deliverables-Additional Support", for a total not to exceed \$70,000 in fiscal year 2011. The total compensation for this option period shall not exceed \$930,000.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

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 Chief Information Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

The M/WBE participation goals for the contract include: 35% total MBE and 5% total WBE. However, the Waiver Committee recommends that a partial waiver of 15% for the MBE participation goals for this contract as required by the Remedial Program be granted because the contract scope is not further divisible.

The consultant has identified and scheduled the following firms and percentages:

Total 20% African American	
KC Management Group Corporation	20%
1525 East 53 rd Street, Suite 932	
Chicago, Illinois 60615	
Total 5% WBE:	
Bronner Group, LLC	5%
120 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1300	
Chicago, IL 60602	

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Information & Technology Services	\$930,000.00
Budget Classification:	
PO#1733931	\$171,150.00
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12540.230.53306.009573.000000	\$500,000.00 FY11

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.

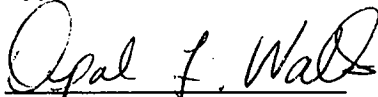
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their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



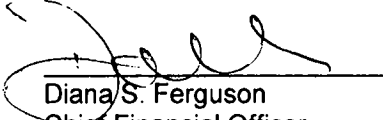
Opal L. Walls
Chief Purchasing Officer

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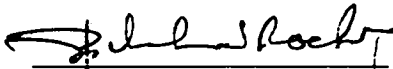
Ron Huberman
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Diana S. Ferguson
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel

