

**RATIFY EXERCISING THE SECOND OPTION TO RENEW THE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE GALE GROUP**

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

Ratify exercising the second option to renew the license agreement with The Gale Group (Gale) to provide on-line content access to reference databases and full-text periodicals to be used by all schools and CPS departments at a cost for the second option period not to exceed \$130,000. A written document exercising this option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Vendor 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.

**VENDOR:**

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**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:**

The original agreement (authorized by Board Report 08-0625-PR33) was for a term commencing July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009, with the Board having three (3) options to renew; each for a period of one (1) year. The agreement was renewed (authorized by Board Report 09-0624-PR35) for a term commencing on July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010. 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 (1) year commencing July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011.

**OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:**

There is one (1) option period for one (1) year remaining.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:**

Gale will continue to provide all Chicago Public Schools with electronic library, homework and research resources that are aligned to Illinois State Curriculum Standards. Each school will continue to have individual access and access through [www.cps.edu](http://www.cps.edu). The resources will continue to be fully accessible from home or from school, 24 hours a day 7 days a week with no limitation on the number of users allowed. The continued resources in the contract include:

**Student Resource Center (SRC)- Gold:** Covering all core curriculum areas, including history, literature, science, social studies, and more, SRC -Gold provides a premium selection of reference material, more than 1,000 full text periodicals and newspapers, primary sources, creative works, and multimedia, including hours of video and audio clips and podcasts. Premier reference content includes the American Journey Series, American Decades, Career Information Center and the SRC Health Module. New to the database are Lexile reading levels for periodicals, an integrated national and state curriculum standards search with content correlated to the standards, and popular topic pick lists. This resource includes over 90 complete reference sets and over 1,400 full-text periodicals.

**Student Resource Center (SRC)- Junior:** Covering all core curriculum areas, including history, literature, science, social studies, and more, SRC-Junior provides a premium selection of reference material, more than 340 full-text periodicals and newspapers, primary sources, creative works, and multimedia, including hours of video and audio clips. New to the database are Lexile reading levels for periodicals, an integrated national and state curriculum standards search with content correlated to the standards, and popular topics pick lists.

**Student Resource Center (SRC)- Health Module:** Curriculum-oriented database that includes more than 1,200 essays on medical and health-related topics, including diseases, treatments, and major historical figures in the fields of medicine, chemistry, biology, and related area. Includes more than 300,000 full-text articles from 60 periodicals and 300 photographs and diagrams. New to the database are Lexile reading levels for periodicals, an integrated national and state curriculum standards search with content correlated to the standards, and a popular health topic pick list.

**Discovering Collections (DC):** Covering the core curriculum areas, including history, literature, science, social studies, and more, DC provides a premium selection of reference, primary sources, creative works, and multimedia, including hours of video and audio clips. New to the database are popular pick lists and an integrated national and state curriculum standards search with content correlated to the standards.

**Junior Reference Collection (JRC):** Covering the core curriculum areas, including history, literature, science, social studies, and more, JRC provides a premium selection of reference, primary sources, and multimedia content, including audio and video clips and more than 7,400 photographs. New to the database are popular topic pick lists and an integrated national and state curriculum standards search with content correlated to the standards.

**InfoTrac Student Edition:** This periodical database has 1,400 titles, cross searchable with E-books, and is designed for high-school students with access to a variety of indexed and full-text magazines, newspapers, podcasts, and reference books for information on current events, the arts, science, popular culture, health, people, government, history, sports and more.

**Professional Collection:** Custom selection of more than 300 full-text journals for educators that is updated daily and provides 24 hour access from school or home. The Professional Collection offers balanced coverage for any professional educator and supports any Professional Development program.

**Kids InfoBits:** Database developed especially for beginning researchers in Kindergarten through Grade 5. Featuring a developmentally appropriate, visually graphic interface, the most popular search method is moving from a broad subject to a narrower topic using the subject-based topic tree. The curriculum-related, age appropriate, full-text context is from the best elementary reference sources and magazines. This database covers geography, current events, the arts, science, health, people, government, history, sport and more.

**Lit Finder for Schools:** Covering world literature and authors throughout history, *LitFinder* contains a wealth of literacy works including over 150,000 full-text poems and 800,000+ poetry citations, as well as short stories, speeches, and plays. *LitFinder* also includes secondary materials like biographies and images.

**Gale Virtual Reference Library:** Online reference that cross-searches with most of your Gale resources allowing schools to have one access point for all research needs. Gale has made the following 15 ebook titles available to Chicago Public Schools:

- Africa: An Encyclopedia for Students, 4v
- African-American Years: Chronologies of American History and Experience
- American Civil War Reference Library, 5v
- American Revolution Reference Library, 5v
- American Women Writers: A Critical Reference Guide from Colonial Times to the Present, 2nd ed., 4v
- Beacham's Guide to the Endangered Species of North America, 6v
- Countries and Their Cultures, 4v
- Encyclopedia of World Biography, 2nd ed., 23v
- Harlem Renaissance
- Korean Ware Reference Library, 2v
- Macmillan Encyclopedia of Energy, 3v
- Modern American Literature, 5th ed., 3v
- U\*X\*L American Decades, 11v
- World War I Reference Library, 4v
- World War II Reference Library, 5v

**DELIVERABLES:**

During this renewal term, Gale will provide the support services delineated below:

- Collateral delivered at the request of member libraries in the form of posters, table tents, bookmarks, etc.
- Database icons, banners, links to place on your library or district websites
- Support for events or professional development sessions planned by the district to promote resources as part of their programming.
- Widgets that can be utilized by the schools to help promote library. These widgets can be placed on websites, social networking applications and other places where users typically reside.
- A Senior Training Consultant assigned to Chicago Public Schools who will be available to host large in-person sessions, webinars and for resource training assistance.
- Technical Support - Gale will provide technical support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

**OUTCOMES:**

Access to Gale's databases will improve student achievement by providing access to a rich collection of periodicals and reference works. The databases successfully support the Chicago Public Schools curriculum, support effective teaching using technology, and help students develop the information retrieval and processing skills expected within CPS and as they pursue higher education and enter the workforce. This is a district-wide initiative. The Chief Executive Officer or designee shall provide reports on November 1, 2010, February 1, 2011 and April 1, 2011 regarding schools that have registered for service and those that have not registered and school usage rates.

**COMPENSATION:**

Gale shall be paid a license fee in the amount of \$130,000.

**AUTHORIZATION:**

Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written option document. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the option document. Authorize Deputy of Teaching and Learning to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts, this contract is exempt from review because the nature of the services classify as a unique transaction.

**LSC REVIEW:**

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:**

Charge to: 10865-324-54505-221216-380113

Source of Funds: Illinois Secretary of State, School District Library Program Grant

Amount Charged: \$130,000

**CFDA# :** Not Applicable

**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.

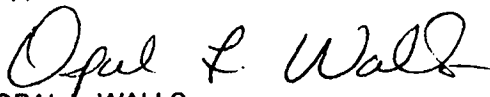
Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their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

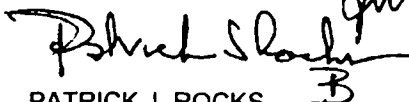
Approved:

  
RON HUBERMAN  
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PATRICK J. ROCKS  
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