

**AUTHORIZE TUITION PAYMENTS TO NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY FOR
READING ENDORSEMENTS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize tuition payments to the Northeastern Illinois University (The University) for coursework for teachers around acquiring reading endorsements at a cost not to exceed \$150,000. The University was selected based on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-2. No written agreement is required for tuition payments. Information pertinent to this program is stated below.

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PAYMENT PERIOD: Tuition payments are authorized for university courses scheduled from January 24, 2011 through December 31, 2012.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Participating teachers attending Northeastern Illinois University will complete the following courses (a total of 24 credit hours):

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| 1. READ 416 | 4. READ 412 | 7. READ 403 |
| 2. READ 414 | 5. READ 407 | 8. READ 408L |
| 3. READ 425 | 6. READ 404 | |

PARTICIPANTS: The tuition support is available to approximately 18-20 kindergarten through 9th grade teachers enrolled in the program with approval of the Officer of School Improvement. Pursuant to Board Policy 06-0726-PO6, teachers participating in this program will be required to sign a Participation Contract with the Board to accept all of the terms, conditions and obligations concerning their participation in the Program as set out in the Contract. The Contract requires teachers to agree to specific program and employment requirements; however, the Board has no obligation to offer participants such employment or continuing employment. Teachers, who fail to fulfill their program and post-program teaching requirement, may be asked to repay a pro rata portion of the tuition subsidy that was paid by CPS on their behalf.

OUTCOMES: The primary outcome for this program is the successful completion of courses that will enable 18 teachers to receive reading endorsements. The University will provide services to the Board which comply with the federally-mandated No Child Left Behind Act to ensure that all students are taught by “highly qualified” teachers in reading.

COMPENSATION: Tuition payments to the University during the payment period shall not exceed \$150,000.

AUTHORIZATION: The Office of School Improvement is authorized to direct payments to be made to the University as necessary.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 5.2.3 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Contract Participation in Goods and Services contracts, M/WBE provisions do not apply to tuition payments made to other educational institutions.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Office of School Improvement Fiscal Year: 2011
Budget Classification: 13745-367-54125-221307-433117

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).

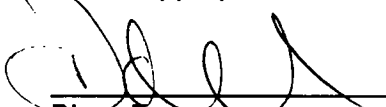
Approved for Consideration:


Opal L. Walls
Chief Purchasing Officer

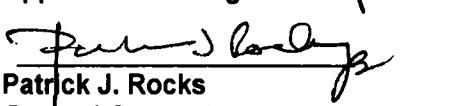
Approved:


Terry Mazany
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Diana Ferguson
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:


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