

**RATIFY AND AUTHORIZE TUITION PAYMENTS TO NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
FOR A PROGRAM FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHERS TO OBTAIN BILINGUAL
AND ESL ENDORSEMENTS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Ratify and authorize tuition payments to Northeastern Illinois University (University) for a program for early childhood and elementary certificated teachers to obtain their bilingual and ESL endorsements at a cost not to exceed \$205,416.00. Northeastern Illinois University was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7.2 and approved by CPOR #11-0315-CPOR-1425 and based on their unique program design that was tailored to allow teachers obtain the endorsement at an accelerated pace in a low cost cohort program. 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 28, 2011 through December 19, 2011.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Participants in the program will take the following courses: Foundations of Bilingual Education; Ethnic Diversity in Our Schools, a Cross-Cultural/Linguistic Survey; Teaching in Cultural and Language Diverse Classrooms; Materials, Methods and Techniques for Teaching Limited English Proficiency Students; Theories for Teaching English as a Second Language; Assessment Tools for Bilingual Students; Principles of Linguistics for Teachers; and Techniques of Teaching English as a Second Language.

PARTICIPANTS: The participants in the program are Chicago Public School teachers who hold an 04 Early Childhood certificate or an 03 Elementary certificate.

OUTCOMES: This program will result in teachers obtaining their Bilingual and ESL endorsements in order to provide bilingual education services to English Language Learners (ELLs).

COMPENSATION: Tuition payments to University during the payment period shall not exceed \$205,416.

AUTHORIZATION: The Chief Officer of the Office of Language and Cultural Education 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 Participation in Goods and Services Contracts, tuition payments to other educational institutions are exempt from MBE/WBE review.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Office of Language and Cultural Education: \$205,416
\$154,062 Fiscal Year: 2011
\$ 51,354 Fiscal Year: 2012
Budget Classification: 11540-331-54305-221059-430100-2011
11540-356-54305-180007-490922-2012

Source of Funds: ARRA - #331 for FY2011; Title III - #356 for FY2012

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 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.

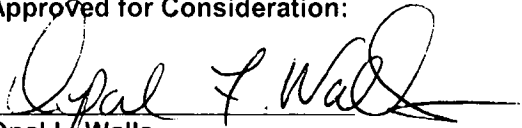
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their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

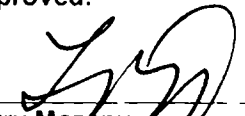
Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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).

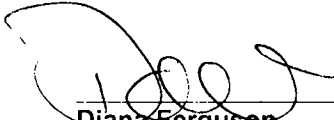
Approved for Consideration:


Opal L. Walls
Chief Purchasing Officer

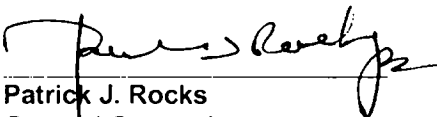
Approved:


Terry Mazany
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Diana Ferguson
Chief Financial Officer

Approve as to legal form:


Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel