AUTHORIZE A NEW AGREEMENT WITH TEACHING STRATEGIES, LLC FOR TEACHING STRATEGIES GOLD ASSESSMENT SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize a new agreement with Teaching Strategies, LLC to provide Teaching Strategies GOLD (TSG) assessment services to the Office of Early Childhood Education (OECE) at an annual cost as set forth in the Compensation Section in this report. Vendor was selected on a non-competitive basis. This item was presented to the Single/Sole Source Committee on July 23, 2019 and approved by the Chief Procurement Officer. Prior to approval as a Single Source, the item was published on the Procurement website on July 23, 2019, found here: cps.edu/procurement. The item will remain on the Procurement website until the August 28, 2019 Board Meeting. This process complies with the independent consultant's recommendations for single source procurements and the Board's Single/Sole Source Committee Charter. A written agreement for Vendor's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Vendor and no payment shall be made to Vendor prior to the execution of their written agreement. 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 agreement is stated below.

Contract Administrator:

Wright, Mr. Thaddeus / 773-553-2280

VENDOR:

1) Vendor # 90907 TEACHING STRATEGIES, LLC 4500 EAST-WEST HIGHWAY#300 BETHESDA, MD 20814

Heather O'Shea 301 634-0818

Ownership: For Profit: UTJ Holdco, Inc. - 100%

USER INFORMATION:

Project

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Abello, Mr. Michael Christian

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TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence on September 1, 2019 and shall end August 31, 2020. This agreement shall have two (2) options to renew for periods of one (1) year each.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:

The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Vendor's assessment services are aligned to the preschool curriculum, The Creative Curriculum. The City's preschool programs operated under the City's Department of Family Support Services use the same assessment services and curriculum, allowing for consistent data collection and reporting among preschool education providers. Additionally, Vendor shall provide training and technical support to CPS teachers on how to use the assessment services and input qualitative data.

DELIVERABLES:

Observational data on individual child development will be collected on ISBE funded children in CPS preschool classrooms and qualitative data will be entered into Teaching Strategies GOLD to report on child outcomes. Training and technical support, data collection procedures, monitoring and reporting and data elements will also be provided by Vendor.

OUTCOMES:

Vendor's services will result in the following:

Observational data on individual child development will be collected in, stored in, and reported from in the vendor's system. Additionally, TSG will provide 50 hours of training and technical support for CPS OECE staff, teachers, and administrators. Teachers will enter on an on-going basis, individual child observational data - including documentation and artifacts - into the TSG system. OECE staff, school administration, and classroom teachers will have access as appropriate to their role.

COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid as follows:

Estimated annual costs for the one (1) year term are set forth below:

\$670,000; FY20

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:

None.

AUTHORIZATION:

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

Pursuant to the Remedial Program for Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts (M/WBE Program), this contract is exempt as this agreement is a grant funded program.

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Fund 362
Early Childhood Education, Unit 11385
\$670,000.00, FY20
Not to exceed \$670,000.00 for the one (1) year term.

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 May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), 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:

JONATHAN MAPLES
Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:

JANICE K. JACKSON Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:

JOSEPH T. MORIARTY General Counsel