AUTHORIZE A NEW AGREEMENT WITH CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES, LLC FOR K-2 READING AND MATHEMATIC ASSESSMENT SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize a new agreement with Curriculum Associates, LLC to provide K-2 Reading and Mathematic Assessment services to the Office of Teaching and Learning at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. Vendor was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-3. A written agreement for these services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided and no payment shall be made to Vendor prior to the execution of the 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.

Specification Number : 21-375

Contract Administrator : Hinton-Knowles, Demetra / 773-553-2280

VENDOR:

1) Vendor # 38873
   CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES, LLC
   153 Rangeway Rd
   North Billerica, MA 01860

   Donald Masters
   800 2250248

   Ownership: CRC Holdco LLC 100%

USER INFORMATION :

Contact:
   10810 - Teaching and Learning Office
   42 West Madison Street
   Chicago, IL 60602

   Beck, Mary Patricia
   773-553-1216

Project Manager:
   11210 - Assessment
   42 West Madison Street
   Chicago, IL 60602

   Davis, Cassandra Francis
   773-553-2430
TERM:
The term of this agreement shall commence on May 1, 2022 and shall end June 30, 2025. The agreement shall have two (2) options to renew for periods of two (2) years each.

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

SCOPE OF SERVICES:
Vendor will provide assessments, administration support, professional development, data collection, reporting, and project management to support the creation and maintenance of a comprehensive K-2 assessment system.

DELIVERABLES:
Vendor will provide an early grades assessment system for approximately 396 schools. Vendors will provide administration support, professional development, data collection, reporting, and project management to support the creation and maintenance of a comprehensive K-2 assessment system.

OUTCOMES:
Vendor’s services will result in enabling CPS teachers to develop a system for early instruction and/or intervention to prevent failure in later grades, ensuring that students entering grade 3 have the knowledge and skills to be successful and to ensure that students are on-track in every grade. The vendor’s services will result in CPS having: (1) the ability to administer the assessment to the Board-defined number of students; (2) access to valid, reliable assessment data to be used specifically for the purpose of improving instruction and enhancing student achievement; (3) assessment results on a secure password-protected website that allows teachers and administrators to view, analyze, and manage data; and (4) appropriate professional development to both administer the assessment and use the resulting data to drive instruction.

COMPENSATION:
Vendor shall be paid during the initial term in accordance with the prices specified in their respective written agreement; Estimated aggregate annual cost for this period are for below:
$2,250,000 FY23
$2,250,000 FY24
$2,250,000 FY25

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 Chief of Teaching and Learning 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), the goals for this contract are 30% MBE and 7% WBE. The Office of Business Diversity has granted a partial waiver and the Prime vendor has committed to the participation goals of 30% MBE and 7% WBE of applicable spend.

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

FINANCIAL:
Fund 115, Department of Student Assessment, Unit 11210, Parent Unit 10810
$2,250,000 FY23
$2,250,000 FY24
$2,250,000 FY25
Total not to exceed $6,750,000 for the three (3) year term. Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval.

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).