

AUTHORIZE A NEW AGREEMENT WITH THE CHICAGO DEBATE COMMISSION FOR DEBATE SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize a new agreement with The Chicago Debate Commission to provide the development of curriculum, technical services and professional development to the Office of Teaching and Learning/Department of Academic Competitions 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 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.

Specification Number : 22-251

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

VENDOR:

- 1) Vendor # 29954
Chicago Debate Commission dba Chicago Debates
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CHICAGO, IL 60604

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Ownership: Not-for-Profits

USER INFORMATION :

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TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence on February 1, 2023 and shall end January 31, 2026. 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:

The vendor, in partnership with CPS, will assist the Office of Teaching and Learning/Academic Competitions with the debate program that will include curriculum, core files, research materials, debate materials, student and coach professional development, and supplies. Vendor will also secure tournament judges. The curriculum will be aligned with the national initiative and will provide debaters with the materials and support needed to excel academically and enhance critical thinking, research and analytical skills. Vendor will serve approximately 90 to 100 CPS schools (including high schools and middle schools) over the course of the three-year term.

Vendor shall provide support in each of the following service categories:

- Middle School Debate Technical Consultants
- High School Debate Technical Consultants
- Technical Administrative Consultants
- Middle School Debate Judges
- High School Debate Judges
- Tournament Awards
- Executive Management Support

DELIVERABLES:

The vendor will provide:

Consultants:

- Four consultants to the Middle School Debate during the debate seasons.
- Six consultants to the High School Debate during the debate seasons as directed by the Board.

Judges:

- 20 judges per tournament for High School Debate.
- 28 judges per tournament for Middle School Debate.

Tournament Awards:

- The vendor provides all awards throughout the Debate season for both middle school and high school participants.

Executive Management Support:

The vendor provides overall executive management for both Middle School and High School Debate for the support for the debate program as it relates to working with network chiefs, principals, and external partners (e.g., universities) year-round to communicate, advocate, and solicit support and involvement among key stakeholders and constituents.

The vendor services in this area are as follows:

- Consultation and coordination with the Office of Teaching and Learning/ Department of Academic Competitions;

- Principal outreach, updating, problem-solving, and reporting;
- Communication and advocacy for Chicago Debates within all CPS schools;
- External partner cultivation, engagement, and relationship-building;
- Development and implementation of participation increase strategy;
- Data Gathering, Assessment and Evaluation of all Chicago Debates activities.

OUTCOMES:

Vendor's services will result in the successful implementation of both Middle and High School debate services which are offered through the Office of Teaching and Learning/Academic Competitions. Students will increase literacy skills, analytical, critical thinking and research skills.

COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid \$1,360,000 as invoiced and in accordance with the services outlined in the agreement. Annual costs for the three (3) year term are set forth below:

- FY23 \$190,000
- FY24 \$380,000
- FY25 \$390,000
- FY26 \$400,000

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:

Vendor shall be reimbursed for the following 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 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), this contract is exempt as this agreement is with a Not-for-Profit organization.

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Fund 115, Office of Teaching and Learning, Unit 10810

- FY23 \$190,000
- FY24 \$380,000
- FY25 \$390,000
- FY26 \$400,000

Not to exceed \$1,360,000 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).

Approved for Consideration:




PATRICIA HERNANDEZ
Acting Chief Procurement Officer

Approved:



PEDRO MARTINEZ
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



JOSEPH T. MORIARTY
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