

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 00-1220-PR35****APPROVE ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF SPECIALIZED ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY ADAPTED EQUIPMENT, MAINTENANCE AND TRAINING SERVICES****THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve entering into agreements with the ~~sixteen~~ twenty vendors identified below for the purchase of specialized adapted equipment, maintenance and training services required for use by the Office of Specialized Services, at an aggregate cost not to exceed \$960,507.00. These contracts are subject to the Board's Strategic Sourcing Policy. Vendors were selected pursuant to a duly advertised Request For Proposal (RFP). A written agreement with each vendor is currently being negotiated. No goods may be ordered or received, nor may any services be received, and no payment shall be made to any vendor prior to the execution of such vendor's written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each vendor in the event a written agreement is not executed by such vendor within 90 days of the date of this amended Board Report. Information pertinent to these agreements is stated below. This Board Report is being amended to include four additional vendors and to clarify terms and pricing of this agreement.

**SPECIFICATIONS NO.:** 00-250657

**ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY, TRAINING AND MAINTENANCE**

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| <b>VENDOR:</b> | <p>1. AbleNet, Inc.<br/>1081 Tenth Ave. S.E.<br/>Minneapolis, MN 55414-1312<br/>Contact: Ms. Patricia Wright<br/>800/ 322-0956<br/>Vendor No. 46635</p>                        | <p>2. Advanced Multimedia Devices, Inc.<br/>31 Watermill Lane<br/>Great Neck, NY 11021<br/>Contact: Mr. Sam Tang<br/>516/ 466-2288<br/>Vendor No. 31044</p>         |
|                | <p>3. AlphaSmart, Inc.<br/>20400 Stevens Creek Blvd. #300<br/>Cupertino, CA 95014<br/>Contact: Ms. Melanie Oddoy<br/>408/ 252-9400<br/>Vendor No. 14341</p>                    | <p>4. Attainment Company, Inc.<br/>P.O. Box 930160, 504 Commerce Pkwy.<br/>Verina, WI 53593-0160<br/>Contact: Brent Denu<br/>800/ 327-4269<br/>Vendor No. 18842</p> |
|                | <p>5. Augmentative Communication Consultants, Inc.<br/>280 B. Moon Clinton Rd.<br/>Moon Township, PA 15108<br/>Contact: Mille Telega<br/>412/264-6121<br/>Vendor No. 30924</p> | <p>6. Don Johnston, Inc.<br/>26799 W. Commerce<br/>Volo, IL 60073<br/>Contact: Margaret Kizonas<br/>847/ 740-0749<br/>Vendor No. 42654</p>                          |
|                | <p>7. Humanware, Inc.<br/>6245 King Rd.<br/>Loomis, CA 95650<br/>Contact: Dominic Gagliano<br/>800/ 722-3393<br/>Vendor No. 45608</p>  | <p>8. IntelliTools Inc.<br/>1720 Corporate Dr.<br/>Petaluma, CA 94954<br/>Contact: Ann Olsen<br/>707/ 773-2000<br/>Vendor No. 39690</p>                             |
|                | <p>9. Nationwide Medical Equipment<br/>1034 Sterling Ave.<br/>Flossmoor, IL 60422<br/>Contact: Marcene P. Brown<br/>708/957-0815<br/>Vendor No. 31401</p>                      | <p>10. Prentke Romich Company<br/>1022 Heyl Rd.<br/>Wooster, OH 44691<br/>Contact: Lisa Fannin<br/>800/262-1984<br/>Vendor No. 17389</p>                            |

11. Saltillo Corporation  
2143 Township Rd. 112  
Millersburg, OH 44654  
Contact: Leona Hershberger  
800/382-8622  
Vendor No. 31751
12. SoftTouch, Inc.  
4300 Stine Rd. #401  
Bakersfield, CA 93313  
Contact: Duane Meyer  
661/396-8676  
Vendor No. 27413
13. Technology for Education, Inc.  
7328 Braden Tr.  
Invergrove Hts., MN 55076  
Contact: Jim Rogers  
651/457-1917  
Vendor No. 31037
14. Woodlake Technologies, Inc.  
650 W. Lake St., Ste. 320  
Chicago, IL 60661  
Contact: Ralph Samek  
312/655-9200  
Vendor No. 12875
15. Dynavox Systems, Inc.  
2100 Wharton St., Ste. 400  
Pittsburgh, PA 15203  
Contact: Susanne Peroni  
800/344-1778, 4246  
Vendor No. 17922
16. Exceptional Computing  
450 NW 58<sup>th</sup> St.  
Guineyville, FL 32607  
Contact: A. McPherson  
356/331-8847  
Vendor No. 48333
17. Hach Associates, Inc.  
4994 Indiana Ave.  
Winston-Salem, NC 27106  
Contact: Ginny Norton  
800/624-7968  
Vendor No. 11979
18. TLC Multimedia, Inc.  
500 Redwood Blvd.  
Novato, CA 94947  
Contact: Christine Whelan  
415/382-3118  
Vendor No. 26682

**USER:** Office of Specialized Services  
Contact Person: Jacqueline Daly – 773-553-2274

**TERM:** The term of each agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end twenty-four (24) months thereafter. Each agreement shall have two (2) one year options to renew ~~upon the same terms and prices in the written contract.~~ Pricing will be guaranteed for the initial w-year term of the agreement. The parties will renegotiate pricing for each renewal term.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:** Thirty days written notice by the Board of Education.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Mayer-Johnson, Inc., HumanWare, Inc., IntelliTools, Inc., Alpha Smart, Inc., Attainment Company, Inc., Augumentative Communication Consultants, Inc., Don Johnston, Inc., Softtouch, Inc., Technology for Education, Inc., Woodlake Technologies, Inc., Saltillo Corporation, AbleNet, Inc., Advanced Multimedia Devices, Inc., Prentke Romich Company, Kaplan Companies, Inc., Nationwide Medical Equipment, Dynavox Systems, Inc., Exceptional Computing, Hach Associates, Inc., and TLC Multimedia, Inc. will provide The Assistive Technology Resource Center with specialized adaptive equipment and software. The Assistive Technology Resource Center will be loaning this adapted equipment and software selectively, but extensively to classrooms and students with special needs throughout the Chicago Public Schools. Dynavox Systems, Inc., IntelliTools, Inc., and AbleNet, Inc. will provide maintenance services in addition to the Assistive Technology equipment. HumanWare, Inc., IntelliTools, Inc., and Dynavox Systems, Inc. will provide Training services in addition to the Assistive Technology equipment. The Office of Specialized Services may purchase services and equipment at its option via requisition to Procurement and Contracts which will mail a purchase order to the Vendor. Purchases over \$10,000.00 to any one vender under this Board Report must be approved by the Chief Specialized Services Officer.

**DELIVERABLES:** Vendors will provide Assistive Technology Equipment, Maintenance and Training services to Specialized Services Staff.

**PRICES:** Vendor will provide all services and equipment at the prices indicated in its written contract which prices shall remain fixed throughout the ~~term and any renewal terms of the contract.~~ Initial 2-year term of the contract. The parties will renegotiate pricing for each renewal term, and the costs associated herewith shall be reported to the Board on a quarterly basis pursuant to Board Rule 5-10-2.

**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 Purchasing Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The products and services to be delivered by these vendors are subject to the provisions of the Revised Remedial Plan for M/WBE Economic participation. Every good faith effort will be made by these vendors to achieve compliance with the applicable goals.

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to:

- 0966-220-481-2738-5730 - \$658,375.00
- 0966-220-481-2738-5310 - \$ 37,103.00
- 0966-220-481-2738-5320 - \$124,532.00
- 0966-220-481-2760-5730 - \$103,900.00
- 0966-220-481-2738-5470 - \$ 20,858.00
- 0966-220-481-2738-5410 - \$ 15,000.00

Fiscal Years: 2001-2002

**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 July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.


Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), 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).

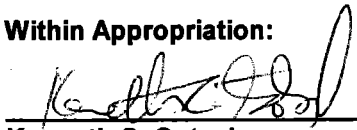
**Approved for Consideration:**

  
 Natalie Faquin  
 Chief Purchasing Officer

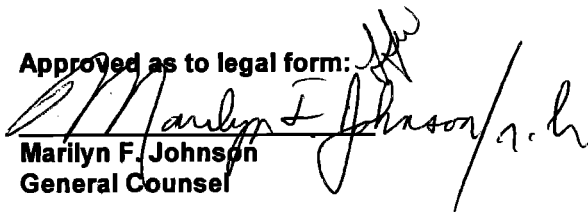
**Approved:**

  
 Paul G. Vallas  
 Chief Executive Officer

**Within Appropriation:**

  
 Kenneth C. Gotsch  
 Chief Fiscal Officer

**Approved as to legal form:**

  
 Marilyn F. Johnson  
 General Counsel