

APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF THE CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS ALL-CITY HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS IN THE FIESTA-VAL MUSIC FESTIVAL HELD IN TORONTO, CANADA

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of The Chicago Public Schools All-City High School Chorus in the Fiesta-Val Music Festival held in Toronto, Canada and authorize travel expenses related to the program if any.

USER: Office of Language, Cultural and Early Childhood Education
125 S. Clark Street
Chicago, IL 60603
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PROGRAM: The All-City High School Chorus will send fifty (50) chorus members, who reflect the Chorus' racial and ethnic composition in the Fiesta-Val Music Festival held in Toronto, Canada from May 2 through May 6, 2001. In addition, the chorus members will be performing at other selected sites in the city. The students will also visit some of the historic sites and learn about the country's history.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:

- The festival will provide an opportunity for the students to demonstrate their vocal musical proficiency.
- The festival will provide experiences that will motivate the students toward a career in music performance.
- They will gain exposure to cultural diversity and enrichment through their performance and the performance of the other choirs.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by Sunnyside Travel, 2100 S. Indiana Ave., Ste. 111, Chicago, Illinois 60616, 312/225-1025, and Sunnyside Travel will coordinate all travel arrangements.

COST: The cost per student is \$500.00 which includes transportation, meals, hotel costs, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, etc. The total cost for this trip is \$25,000. The All-City Performing Arts Parent Group will provide \$17,282.00 through fund-raising efforts. The balance of \$8,750.00 will be provided by the Bureau of Cultural Arts.

CHAPERONES: Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board report 97-1217-PO1 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults.

James S. Hammond, music teacher and principal conductor, Gabrielyn Watson, music teacher and assistant conductor, Sandra Brown, music teacher and piano accompanist, LaDonna Myers, music teacher, Brad Raymond, music teacher, Shannette Rooks, teacher, Donald Baumgartner, teacher and Rose Tate, parent will accompany the students.

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at the Bureau of Cultural Arts for each student and staff member participating in the tour.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any travel agreements necessary for this program.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: Not Applicable.

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Language, Cultural and Early Childhood Education: \$8,750.00
Budget Classification: 0460-280-761-0302-5510 Fiscal Year: 2000-2001

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – Each party to any 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 – Any 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 any 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 any agreement.

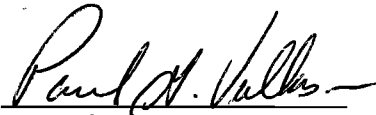
Contingent Liability – Any agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:

Approved:



COZETTE BUCKNEY
Chief Education Officer



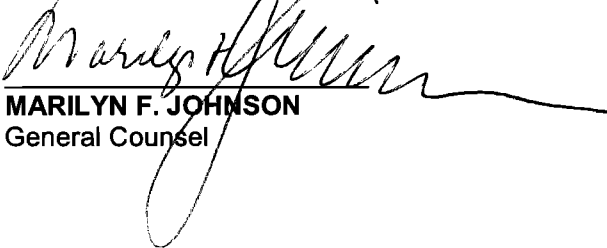
PAUL G. VALLAS
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



KENNETH C. GOTSCH
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:



MARILYN F. JOHNSON
General Counsel