

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH JBH TECHNOLOGIES, INC.
FOR THE PURCHASE OF CUSTOMIZED ARCHITECTURAL DRAFTING EQUIPMENT**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with JBH Technologies, Inc. for the purchase of customized architectural drafting equipment for the Office of Education-to-Careers at a cost not to exceed \$137,156. Vendor was selected on a non-competitive basis, because it is the sole provider/manufacturer of this unique and customized architectural drafting equipment which is the only equipment that will interface with the existing computer systems at the user schools. A written agreement for this purchase is currently being negotiated. No equipment shall be ordered or received and no payment shall be made to the 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 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specifications No.: 01-250048

VENDOR: JBH Technologies, Inc.

P.O. Box 2218

Glenview, Illinois 60025

Contact Person: Michael Heitman

Tel. No.: (847) 729-1777

Vendor # 14174

USER: Office of Education-to-Careers

125 S Clark St. 12th floor

Chicago, Illinois

Contact Person: Dr. Creg Williams

Tel. No: (733) 553-2460

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end on the date the equipment is installed. The Board will receive a perpetual license for the software components of the equipment.

DESCRIPTION OF PURCHASE: The Robotel System will allow the classroom instructor to monitor and direct class assignments for the architectural drafting and blueprint classes from a single control module. The Robotel System will interface with the existing student lab computers and allows teachers to provide on-line direction/monitoring of class work for a variety of projects simultaneously. One Robotel System will be installed to each of the following schools: Kenwood, Farragut, Bowen, Kennedy, Bogan, and Hubbard.

Equipment: Each Robotel System contains the following hardware & software: 1-Touch Screen Control Unit, 1-Win 98 Industrial Computer, 1-SC2000-LCD Touch Panel, 2- SC2000-PS Power Supply Units with all associated peripherals, SCVI-software for touch Screen, SC2000-1 Interface for PC & Mac and Junction Units.

Quantity: Six (6) Robotel Systems.

Equipment Warranty Period; 6 months

Software Unit Cost Warranty Period: 90 days

Installation: Vendor will install equipment at no additional cost.

Unit Cost: \$22,859.33.

COMPENSATION: Vendor shall be paid upon invoicing following equipment installation an amount not to exceed \$137,156.

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.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Vendor agrees to comply with and be bound by the provisions of the Revisited Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Economic Participation (M/WBE Plan).

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Office of Education-to-Careers \$137,156.00

Fiscal Year: 2001

Budget Classification: 0910-060-000-1510-5730

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.

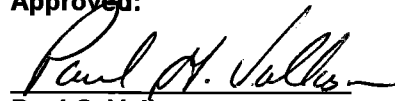
Ethics – The Board’s Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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).

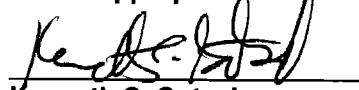
Approved for Consideration:


Natalye Paquin
Chief Purchasing Officer

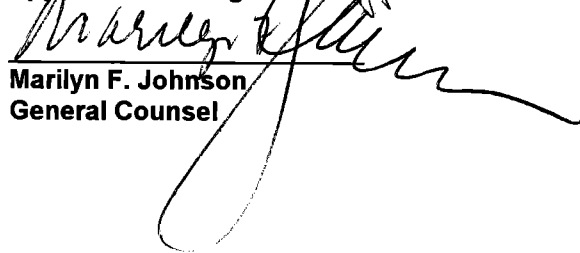
Approved:


Paul G. Vallas
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel