

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 01-0627-PR18**  
**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CATALYST CONSULTING  
 GROUP, INC. FOR DESIGNING, CONFIGURING AND IMPLEMENTING A  
 STUDENT INFORMATION REPORTING REPOSITORY**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve entering into an agreement with Catalyst Consulting Group, Inc. ("Catalyst") for the designing, configuring and implementing a student reporting repository for use by the Office of Technology Services, at a cost not to exceed ~~\$350,580.00~~ \$706,500.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because Catalyst was the most qualified and cost competitive of the seven (7) respondents to the informal Request for Information. A written agreement with Catalyst Consulting Group, Inc. is currently being negotiated. No services may be received and no payment shall be made to Catalyst Consulting Group, Inc., 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 ninety (90) days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

This amendment is necessary to expand Consultant's scope of services and increase the dollar amount of the Contract by \$355,920.00. A written amendment to the Contract is currently being negotiated. No payment for these additional services shall be made prior to the execution of the written amendment. The authority granted in this amended Board Report shall automatically rescind in the event a written amendment is not executed within ninety (90) days of the date of this amended Board Report.

**SPECIFICATION NO.:** 01-250115

**VENDOR:** Catalyst Consulting Group, Inc.  
 211 West Wacker Drive, Suite 400  
 Chicago, Illinois 60606  
 Contact: Arvind Talwar  
 Telephone No. 312-629-0750  
 Vendor No. 29230

**USER:** Office of Technology Services  
 125 South Clark, 3rd Floor  
 Chicago, Illinois 60603  
 Contact: Elaine L. Williams, Chief Technology Officer  
 Frank Spoto, Manager – Student Information Systems  
 Telephone No. 773-553-1300

**TERM:** The term of the agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end six (6) months thereafter.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:** The Board has the right to terminate this agreement within thirty (30) days written notice.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Catalyst will provide services that include designing, developing and implementing a student information reporting repository. These services will provide end-users with a state-of-the-art analytic and reporting tools and a repository to integrate and transform the student information data to support the reporting requirements of central office, regional offices and schools.

Catalyst shall continue to provide the services contained in the original Agreement and also provide a database administrator ("DBA") for the student scheduling system and the reporting repository as follows:

- Perform ongoing day-to-day support and maintenance
- Create, delete and maintain user accounts
- Use groups to organize user accounts
- Manage data storage
- Monitor event logs
- Identify and create databases

- Plan and implement data back up and restore processes
- Identify, troubleshoot and resolve Oracle and DB2 performance issues
- Identify and optimize resource utilization
- Manage interfaces between databases and business intelligence tools
- Create and configure security templates
- Implement and troubleshoot security policies
- Review and update the disaster recovery plan
- Any other duties deemed appropriate

**DELIVERABLES:** Catalyst will deliver the following:

- Project plan at the activity level
- Detailed data model, detailed entity relationship diagram, logical database design, and physical database design
- Code and documentation for the relational database using DB2 in the OS/390 environment
- Program and documentation for the database load and update programs
- Program and documentation for the database archive/purge programs
- Day-to-Day Database Administration
- Daily Maintenance Schedule
- Backup Frequency and Schedule
- Monthly Status Reports
- Monthly Timesheets
- Updated Disaster Recovery Plan

**OUTCOMES:** The Board will have state-of-the-art analytic and reporting tools and a repository to integrate and transform the student information data in support of the reporting requirements of Central Office, regional offices and schools.

The Board will have daily support to maintain the SS and SIRR, including performance optimization, backup and recovery, user account maintenance and security; Checklist of maintenance items to perform on a periodic basis - Month 1; Schedule that indicates time and date of system back ups - Month 1; Report of tasks completed, tasks in progress, issues and risks - Monthly; Report of time worked for the Board - Monthly; Review and update of the relevant portions of the OTS disaster recovery plan - Quarterly.

**COMPENSATION:** Consultant shall be paid as follows: upon invoicing at the hourly rate of \$185.00 in an amount not to exceed ~~\$350,580.00~~ \$706,500.00.

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

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The vendor has proposed the following M/WBE participation for the renewal period and has identified the following firms and percentages:

85% African American:  
Catalyst Consulting Group, Inc.                      85%                      \$302,532.00 certified 5/31/01  
211 West Wacker Drive, Suite 400  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

10% Hispanic:  
Millennium Three Inc.                                      10%                      \$35,592.00 certified 12/31/01  
41 West Congress Parkway  
Chicago, Illinois 60605

0% Asian:

5% WBE:  
Trinal, Inc. 5% \$17,796.00  
41 West Congress Parkway  
Chicago, Illinois 60605

Each identified firm is certified by the City of Chicago/Department of Purchases Contracts and Supplies. The identified firms are subject to change upon approval from the Division of Compliance and Vendor Services in Procurement and Contracts Department without further Board approval.

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to the Office of Technology Services: \$350,580.00 \$355,920.00 = \$706,500.00  
Budget Classifications: 0220-210-000-1114-5410 \$350,580.00 FY01 P.O. #128958  
0960-210-000-7536-5410 \$355,920.00 FY02

**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.

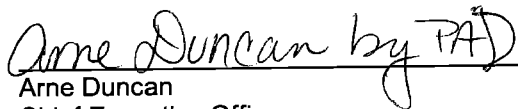
**Ethics** – The Board’s Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

**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).

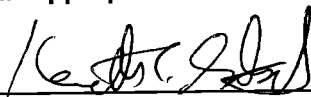
**Approved for Consideration:**

  
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Anita Rocha  
Acting Chief Purchasing Officer

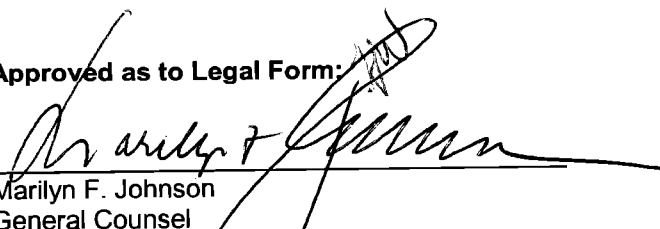
**Approved:**

  
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Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer

**Within Appropriation:**

  
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Kenneth C. Gotsch  
Chief Fiscal Officer

**Approved as to Legal Form:**

  
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Marilyn F. Johnson  
General Counsel