

**APPROVE EXERCISING THE FIRST OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT
WITH GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION COURSE WORK
(PROJECT STAR)**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the first option to renew the agreement with Governors State University to provide special education course work for Project STAR to the Office of Specialized Services at a cost for the first option period not to exceed \$62,100.00. A written document exercising this first option is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Governors State University prior to the execution of the written document. 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 No.: 00-250625

VENDOR: Governors State University
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Contact person: Veronica Williams
708-534-3193
Vendor Number: 12948

USER: Office of Specialized Services
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Chicago, IL 60603
Dr. Lillian Gonzalez
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ORIGINAL AGREEMENT: The original Governors State—STAR Agreement (authorized by Board Report 00-0726-PR31) in the amount of \$90,000.00 is for a term commencing October 1, 2000 and ending September 30, 2001, with the Board having the option to renew for two successive one year periods. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis.

OPTION PERIOD: The term of this agreement is being extended for one year commencing October 1, 2001 and ending September 30, 2002.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING: There is one option period for one year remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Each semester (fall, spring and summer) up to 15 teachers employed by the Chicago Public Schools will take graduate level courses, which will enable these teachers to obtain special education approvals or certificates.

COURSES AND PROJECTED COST: Governors State University will offer four 3-credit hour courses at a cost of \$345.00 per course per participant. Based on an estimate of 15 special and general education teachers enrolled in each of the courses, the Board will pay the University \$62,100.00 during this option period.

OUTCOMES: General and special education teachers working in special education positions with PZZs (temporary waivers) will complete the special education course work they need in order to obtain their approvals or certification in special education. Also, general education teachers will complete the course work needed to move into special education. All teachers who take classes through Project STAR can take one or two classes each semester and will sign agreements to work in special education in CPS for at least three years following their receipt of special education certification or approval.

COMPENSATION: The University shall be paid during this option period as follows: for each three credit hour course offered, the Board will pay Governors State University \$5,175.00 for up to 15 teachers.

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 Specialized Services Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to Section 3.7 of the M/WBE Plan, this contract is exempt from review under the M/WBE Plan due to the fact that this is tuition.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Specialized Services: \$62,100.00 Fiscal Year: FY 2002
Budget Classification: 0966-220-771-1607-5560 Source of Funds: 220
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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.

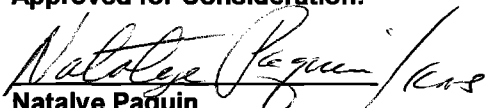
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their 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

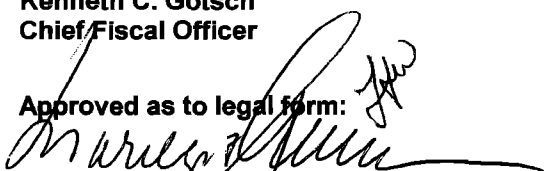
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel