

**RATIFY AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CENTER FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT  
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

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

Ratify an agreement with the Center for School Improvement at the University of Chicago to provide consulting services to the Chief Education Office at a cost not to exceed \$124,000. These services were obtained without prior Board approval. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of consultant's excellent reputation known to the education community in Chicago and nationwide. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this document is stated below.

**Specification No.:** 02-250088

**CONSULTANT:** Center for School Improvement at the University of Chicago  
1313 E. 60<sup>th</sup> Street  
Chicago, IL 60637  
Anthony Bryk, Ph.D.  
773-702-0663  
Vendor #: 46979

**USER:** Chief Education Office  
125 S. Clark Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Chicago, IL 60603  
Barbara Eason-Watkins, Ph.D.  
773-553-1500

**TERM:** The term of this agreement shall commence on October 1, 2001 and shall end June 30, 2002. This agreement shall have one option to renew for a period of two years.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Consultant shall provide training and consultation to the Reading Specialists working in the Chicago Public Schools including the following:

- Conduct monthly workshops for reading specialist in coaching and mentoring
- Videotape and edit footage of CPS classrooms to create a professional development video library in the four components of the framework
- Develop lessons to be used for future training of new reading specialists.

**DELIVERABLES:** Consultant shall provide: (i) monthly training to all CPS reading specialists; (ii) consultation on an ongoing basis to the Chief Education Officer and her staff; (iii) a report on the effectiveness of the implementation of the reading initiative, professional development activities for units with reading specialists, and (iv) video library.

**OUTCOMES:** Consultant's services shall result in improved classroom instruction and student performance.

**COMPENSATION:** Consultant shall be paid in accordance with the approved project budget as identified in Consultant's contract.

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

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** A review of Minority and Women Business Enterprise participation was precluded due to the contract performance being substantially completed.

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Chief Education Office: \$124,000  
Budget Classification: 0105-280-409-2435-objects

Fiscal Year: 2002  
Source of Funds: MacArthur  
Foundation grant of \$124,000

**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:**




Anita Rocha  
Acting Chief Purchasing Officer

**Approved:**

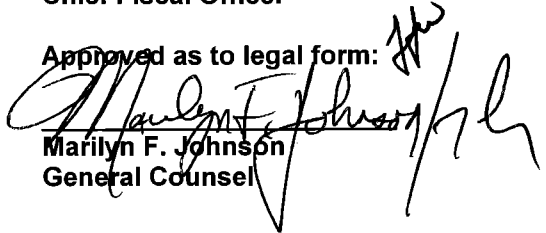
  
Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer *by PAD*

**Within Appropriation:**



Kenneth C. Gotsch  
Chief Fiscal Officer

**Approved as to legal form:**



Marilyn F. Johnson  
General Counsel