

**APPROVE EXERCISING THE OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY
FOR A MASTERS PROGRAM IN SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR BILINGUAL TEACHERS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the option to renew the agreement with Dominican University to provide a Masters Program in Special Education for bilingual teachers to the Office of Specialized Services at a cost for the option period not to exceed \$70,500.00. A written extension agreement is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Dominican for this extension period prior to the execution of the extension agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this extension is stated below.

Specifications No.: 01-250058

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ORIGINAL AGREEMENT: The original Dominican University—Bilingual Special Education Agreement (authorized by board Report 01-0523-PR46) in the amount of \$151,200.00 is for a term commencing July 1, 2001 and ending June 30, 2002, with the parties having the mutual option to renew the agreement for a one year period. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis.

OPTION PERIOD: By mutual agreement of the parties, the term of this agreement is being extended for one year commencing July 1, 2002 and ending December 31, 2003.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING: There are no option periods remaining.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Dominican University will continue to provide graduate level courses leading to a Masters Degree in Special Education to approximately 11 bilingual and bicultural individuals holding Transitional Bilingual Provisional Certificates who have been staffed into vacant special education positions in the Chicago Public Schools.

DELIVERABLES: Dominican University will provide for all Participants, five (5) cohort courses totaling 15 credit hours. Also, Dominican University will provide to 4 of the Participants, one 3-credit hour elective in education, and to 9 Participants, the 5 credit hour Clinical Practice in Special Education (student teaching) that these Participants need for their Masters Degree in Special Education.

OUTCOMES: The bilingual teachers participating in the Program will continue to take classes towards their Masters Degree in Special Education and will continue to be staffed into vacant special education positions within the Chicago Public Schools. The Participants have signed agreements which commit them to work in special education positions in the Chicago Public Schools while they take the courses and to remain working in such positions for four (4) years after completing the Program and receiving their Masters Degrees in Special Education. Participants who fail to fulfill these teaching obligations or fail to complete their Masters Degree within 3 years of starting the Program will repay to the Board the tuition payments made by the Board on the Participant's

behalf.

COMPENSATION: During this renewal term, the Board's total costs under the agreement will not exceed \$70,500.00. The University will continue to give the Board a 15% discount on the University's regular tuition rates, as such rates may be increased by the University in May 2003, and the Board will continue to share tuition costs with the Participants. The Board will pay 85% and the Participants will pay 15%. For Summer II - 2002, Fall 2002 and Spring 2003, the Discounted Rate is \$357.00 per credit hour. The Board's share is \$303.00 and each Participant's share is \$54.00. The University anticipates that tuition rates will increase approximately 5% - 6% as of Summer I - 2003. This increase will apply to the 5 credit hour Clinical Practice in Special Education being provided in Fall 2003. The Board may require any Participant who fails to fulfill the teaching, degree and certification requirements of the Program, to repay to the Board tuition payments made by the Board on Participant's behalf under the Program.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written option document. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the option document. Authorize the Chief of Specialized Services Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this option agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Pursuant to section 3.7 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan) this contract is exempt from review because the contract is for tuition payments.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to the Office of Specialized Services: \$70,500.00 Fiscal Year: FY2003
Budget Classification: 0966-220- 771*-1607-5560 Source of Funds: 220 IDEA Flow Through

* Project Numbers may change from fiscal year to fiscal year

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 member 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

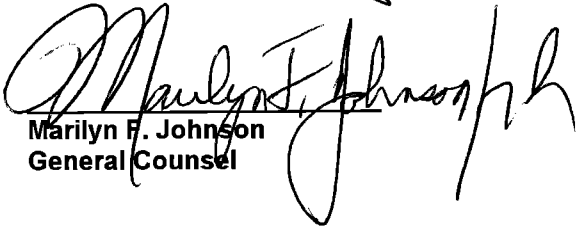
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Within Appropriation:


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Approved as to legal form: 


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