

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION COURSE WORK FOR PROJECT STAR**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Northeastern Illinois University for special education course work for the Office of Specialized Services at a cost not to exceed \$67,671.00. Northeastern was selected on a non-competitive basis because it is one of the two local universities offering courses for the newly created Special Education Short Term Emergency Certificate. A written agreement for this purchase is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Northeastern 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 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification No.: 02-250153

VENDOR: Northeastern Illinois University
5500 N. St. Louis
Chicago, Illinois 60625-2823
Contact Person: Dr. Barry Birnbaum
Tel. No.: 773-442-5593
Vendor # 37162

USER: Office of Specialized Services
125 S. Clark- 8th floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Contact Person: Sandra Rumbler
Tel. No.: 773-553-3373

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on October 1, 2002 and shall end September 30, 2003. There will be two one year options to renew.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: 60 days notice by either party.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: From 16 to 20 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: Northeastern will offer nine, 3-credit hour courses at a cost not to exceed \$7,519.00 per course for 20 teachers. The base price per course is \$6,346.00 for a guaranteed minimum enrollment of 17 and the Board will pay an additional \$391 per person for up to 3 additional teachers per course.

OUTCOMES: Teachers working in special education positions with PZZs (temporary waivers) or Short Term Emergency Certification will complete a maximum of six special education courses they need in order to obtain approvals or certification in special education. All teachers who take classes through Project STAR can take one or two classes each semester and sign agreements to work in CPS special education programs for at least three years.

COMPENSATION: The University shall be paid during this contract period an amount not to exceed \$67,671 in the aggregate for the nine courses.

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 3.7.3 of the M/WBE Plan, this contract is exempt from review under the M/WBE Plan due to the fact that tuition payments are an excluded transaction under the M/WBE Plan.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to the Office of Specialized Services: \$67,671.00
Budget Classification: 0966-239-699-1607-5560

Fiscal Year: FY2003
Source of Funds: 239 Title II

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

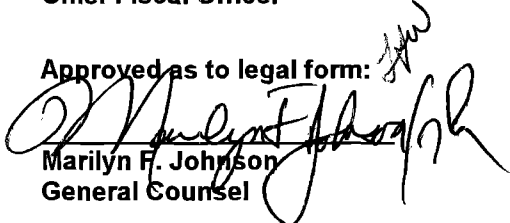
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


Kenneth C. Gotsch
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Marilyn F. Johnson
General Counsel