

**APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF THE EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH  
CATALYST CONSULTING GROUP, INC. FOR DATABASE ADMINISTRATION SERVICES**

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

Approve the renewal of the existing agreement with Catalyst Consulting Group, Inc. ("Catalyst" or "Consultant") to provide database administration services for DB2 and Oracle environments to ensure that the Student Information Reporting Repository ("SIRR"), Student Scheduler ("SS") and other important technology tools function properly and optimally to meet the needs of the Student Information System end-users, at a cost not to exceed \$300,000.00 for the renewal term. A written renewal agreement is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Catalyst prior to the execution of the written renewal document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written renewal document is not executed within ninety (90) days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this renewal is stated below.

**SPECIFICATION NO.:** 01-250115

**VENDOR:** Catalyst Consulting Group, Inc.  
211 West Wacker Drive, Suite 400  
Chicago, Illinois 60606  
Contact: Rod Zech  
Telephone No. 312-499-2210  
Vendor No. 29230

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

**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:** The original Consulting Agreement (authorized by Board Report 01-0627-PR18, as amended by Board Reports 01-0926-PR12 and 02-0424-PR14) is for a term commencing on July 11, 2001 and ending December 31, 2002 in an amount not to exceed \$706,500.00. The original agreement was awarded pursuant to an informal Request for Information based on Catalyst's extensive knowledge and experience in the requirements, implementation and management of reporting repository platforms and the Board's student information system.

**RENEWAL PERIOD:** By mutual consent of the parties, the term of this agreement is being renewed for a twelve (12) month period commencing January 1, 2003 and ending December 31, 2003.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Catalyst will continue to provide database administration services for DB2 and Oracle environments to ensure that the SIRR, SS and other important technology tools function properly and optimally to meet the needs of the Student Information System end-users.

The Database Administration support will complete the following tasks during this renewal period:

- Perform ongoing day-to-day support and maintenance
- Create, delete, and maintain 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, during this renewal period, the following:

- 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
- Schedule that indicates time and date of system back ups
- Report of tasks completed, tasks in progress, issues, and risks
- Report of time worked for the Board
- Review and update of the relevant portions of the OTS disaster recovery plan

**OUTCOMES:** 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 \$150.00 for Repository Development and for DBA Support in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written renewal agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the renewal agreement. Authorize the Chief Technology Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this renewal agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** This contract is in full compliance with the goals required by the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan). The M/WBE participation goals for the contract include: 35% total MBE, 22% total African American, 10% total Hispanic, 2% total Asian and 5% total WBE.

The vendor has identified and scheduled the following firms and percentages:

Total 95% MBE:

Total 83% African American:	\$249,000.00
Catalyst	Certified through 8/1/03
211 W. Wacker Dr., Ste. 400	
Chicago, Illinois 60606	

Total 10% Hispanic:

Business Systems	\$12,000.00/4%
200 W. Adams, Suite 2015	Certified through 7/1/03
Chicago, IL 60606	

Millennium 3	\$18,000.00/6%
411 W. Congress Parkway	Certified through 2/1/03
Chicago, Illinois 60605	

Total 2% Asian:	\$6,000.00
E.C. Ortiz	Certified through 6/1/03
400 E. Randolph Suite 803	
Chicago, Illinois 60601	

Total 5% WBE: \$15,000.00  
 Bronner Group Certified through 6/1/03  
 120 N. LaSalle, Suite 1300  
 Chicago, Illinois 60602

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to the Office of Technology Services: \$300,000.00  
 Budget Classifications: 0960-210-000-7536-5410 \$150,000.00 FY03  
 0960-210-000-7536-5410 \$150,000.00 FY04

**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.

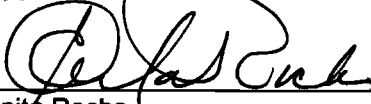
**Conflicts** – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one-year period following expiration or other termination of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

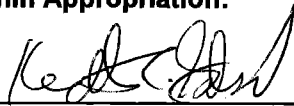
**Approved for Consideration:**

  
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 Anita Rocha  
 Acting Chief Purchasing Officer

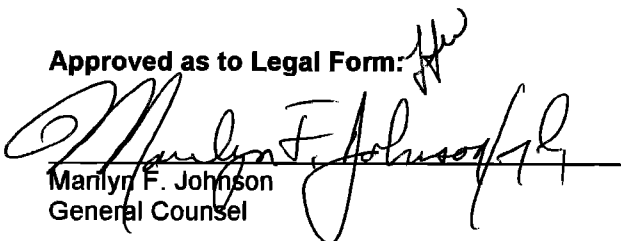
**Approved:**

  
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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