

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NATIONAL-LOUIS UNIVERSITY  
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

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

Approve entering into an agreement with National-Louis University to provide consulting services to the Office of Language and Cultural Education at a cost not to exceed \$158,133. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive pursuant to the terms of the award of the Federal Arts and Education Collaborative Grant. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Consultant and 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 agreement is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

**Specification No.:** 03-250023

**CONSULTANT:** National-Louis University  
122 South Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, Illinois 60603  
Vendor #48030  
Contact: Christine P. Sorensen  
312/261-3165

**USER:** Office of Language and Cultural  
Education  
125 S. Clark Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Chicago, Illinois 60603  
Contact: Manuel J. Medina  
773/553-1930

**TERM:** The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end October 31, 2003. This agreement shall have 2 options to renew for periods of 12 months each. The cost for the first option period will not exceed \$158,133. The cost for the second option period will not exceed \$200,050.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:** The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement for any reason providing 90 days notice to consultant.

**SCOPE OF SERVICES:** Consultant will create a professional development program and cultural delivery system to integrate arts curriculum in four CPS schools, Juarez, Ruiz, Saucedo, and Spry. Using a range of art forms taught within an integrated curriculum rooted in standard-based arts goals, the consultant will collaborate with local artists and CPS staff to improve arts learning and academic growth of at-risk students, building off of their knowledge and cultural experiences.

**DELIVERABLES:** Consultant will provide the following:

- In collaboration with project school staff, develop and produce a curriculum guide on integrating standard-based art education with language arts, social studies, and other subjects.
- At each project school, develop and provide a minimum of 2 workshops and a summer program focused on folk arts to draw upon the cultural heritage of at-risk learners and facilitate integration with curriculum.
- At each project school, develop and provide a minimum of 3 comprehensive professional development workshops on improving teaching and learning through the use of standards-based arts education best practice strategies.
- At each project school, develop and provide a minimum of 2 parent workshops to provide parents with training and skills to support and assist in their child's education.
- Produce project dissemination documentation including: a) project model for integrating standards-based arts education, b) evaluation results of the project, and c) teacher action research study results.

**OUTCOMES:** The professional development and cultural delivery system developed by the consultant will result in improved teaching and learning of at-risk students through building an understanding of how artworks are produced and the role they play in society, improving students' social skills, creative thinking, and problem solving through cultural arts programs. Teachers will benefit from increased utilization of best practice strategies and integration of standards-based arts education into general curriculum.

**COMPENSATION:** Consultant shall be paid upon invoicing as follows: 3 equal payments of \$52,711 not to exceed the sum of \$158,133.

**REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES:** Consultant shall not be reimbursed for expenses.

**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 Language and Cultural Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this 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 vendor is a public university*.

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Office of Language and Cultural Education: \$158,133  
Budget Classification: 0930-268-325-1052-5410  
Fiscal Year: 2003  
Source of Funds: Federal Funds

**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:

  
Sean P. Murphy  
Chief Purchasing Officer


Within Appropriation:

  
Kenneth C. Gotsch  
Chief Fiscal Officer

Approved as to legal form:

  
Marilyn F. Johnson  
General Counsel

Approved:

  
Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer