

**AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION OF SERVICES
FROM BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF METROPOLITAN CHICAGO**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the acceptance of donated services from Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Chicago (BBBSMC) relating to school-based mentoring programs in select schools of the Chicago Public Schools (CPS). Throughout the 2004-2005 school year, BBBSMC will assign mentors to provide mentoring services at up to twenty-five Chicago Public Schools to students in first through eighth grade who have returned their signed permission slips for involvement in the program.

FUNDING SOURCE: Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Chicago
36 East Jackson Blvd. Suite 1800
Chicago, IL 60604
Phone: 312-786-4292 FAX: 312-427-0760
Contact Person: Susan McGee, C.E.O.

RECEIVING SCHOOL/UNIT: Office of Specialized Services
125 South Clark Street – 8th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Phone: (773) 553-1800
Contact Person: Dr. Renee Grant-Mitchell

VALUE OF DONATION: \$130,000.00

PURPOSE: BBBSMC will develop school-based mentoring programs at up to twenty-five Chicago Public Schools. As mentors are requested and placed, the participating schools will be identified by the Office of Specialized Services. BBBSMC will serve approximately 50 students at each participating school during the 2004-2005 school year. BBBSMC will recruit, screen, and train the volunteer mentors and will match the mentors with students on a one-to-one or small group basis. BBBSMC will assign a School Program Coordinator and an Assistant to each identified school. The services are designed to provide positive role models for students who may be considered to be at-risk or in crisis.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any required donation acceptance agreement for the above-referenced donation. Authorize the Chief Specialized Services Officer to execute any ancillary documents that are required to effectuate the agreement.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board.

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.

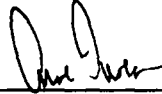
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



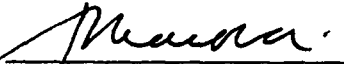
Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

Approved:



Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 



Ruth M. Moscovitch
General Counsel