

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT
WITH GARTNER GROUP FOR SUBSCRIPTION SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Gartner Group for subscription services to the Office of Technology Services at a cost not to exceed \$30,000.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of the unique service they provide as an independent information technology research and advisory agency. No payment shall be made to Vendor during the period prior to the execution of the written document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within ninety (90) days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this is stated below.

SPECIFICATION No.: 00-250502

VENDOR: Gartner Group
12600 Gateway Boulevard
Fort Myers, Florida 33913
Contact: John Yezza
Telephone No.: (630) 922-7006
Vendor No. 20861

USER: Office of Technology Services
125 South Clark Street, 3rd Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Contact: Robert W. Runcie, Chief Information Officer
Chris Grant, Deputy CIO/Director ePMO
Telephone No.: (773) 553-1300

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence August 1, 2004 and shall end July 31, 2005. This agreement shall have two (2) options to renew for a one (1) year period for each option.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Gartner Group is a research and advisory service that provides unbiased insights that support competitive decision-making across the Information Technology (IT) spectrum. Gartner has expertise in the areas of IT research, decision support, analysis, measurement, and consulting. During this renewal period, Gartner Group will provide the following services:

- Gartner offers a variety of research and advisory services, and CPS will subscribe to four of these services. Throughout the year, CPS can change the research and advisory services it wishes to use.
- Online Encyclopedia of Products and Technologies – this reference tool will provide access to Gartner's comprehensive database of product, vendor and technology information in the computer hardware, software and communications fields

DELIVERABLES: During this renewal period, Gartner Group will provide:

- Unlimited access to a comprehensive knowledge base of Gartner research that is updated on a monthly basis and delivered to clients in written form (e.g., research notes, strategic analysis reports and IT journal).
- A reference tool providing access to Gartner's comprehensive database of product vendor and technology information.
- Analysts available to offer both subject matter expertise and best-practice guidance through all phases of the vendor selection process.

OUTCOMES: Gartner's subscription services will result in continued access to IT research and advisory services that will assist board employees in making wiser and more cost effective IT decisions.

COMPENSATION: Gartner Group shall be paid as follows: one lump sum payment of \$30,000.00 due upon invoicing.

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 Information 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 contract is for subscription services.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to the Office of Technology Services: \$30,000.00
Budget Classifications: 0220-210-000-1108-5420

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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.

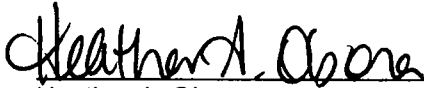
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one-year period following expiration or other termination of their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

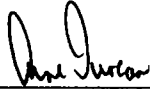
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



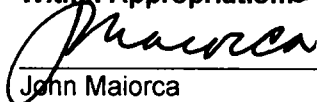
Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:



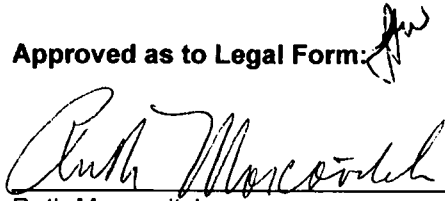
Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:



Ruth Moscovitch
General Counsel