

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF NORTHSIDE COLLEGE PREP HIGH SCHOOL IN AN  
EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO VENICE, ITALY AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED  
TO THE PROGRAM**

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

Approve the participation of twenty-four (24) Northside College Prep. students in an educational tour to Venice, Italy from March 18-27, 2005 and authorize expenses to the program if any.

**USER:** Northside College Prep. High School  
5501 N. Kedzie  
Chicago, IL 60625  
773-534-3954 x380  
**User: Dr. James Lalley**

**PROGRAM:** Students will go to Italy over Spring Break to travel to the cities of Venice, Florence and Rome.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** Students will enrich their classroom study of Italian history, art, culture and architecture by getting to have a hands' on experience in Italy.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program are being made by The European Institute, contact Alexis Savas, 1-866-800-EURO.

**COST:** The per pupil cost is \$2600 which includes transportation, meals, hotel, costs, admittance to sites, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, etc.

**CHAPERONES:** Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01 ("Policy on Student Travel"), including proper ratio of students to adults.

Traveling with the students are Catherine Woodard (teacher), Anna Lisa Searcy (teacher), Michael Coy (teacher), and Gregory Difrancesco (teacher).

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Northside College Prep.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the President and Secretary to execute any travel agreements necessary for this program.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not applicable.

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

**FINANCIAL:** No cost to the Board.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – Each party to any 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 – Any 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 June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of any agreement.

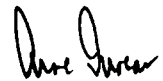
Ethics – The Board’s Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of any agreement.

Contingent Liability – Any 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).

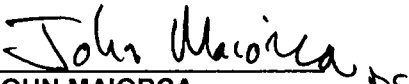
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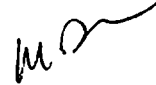
  
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**BARBARA EASON-WATKINS**  
Chief Education Officer

**Approved:**

  
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**ARNE DUNCAN**  
Chief Executive Officer

**Noted:**

  
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**JOHN MAIORCA** DS  
Chief Financial Officer

**Approved as to legal form:** 

  
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**RUTH MOSCOVITCH**  
General Counsel