

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PETER CUNNINGHAM
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Cunningham Communications to provide consulting services to the Office of Communications at a cost not to exceed \$120,000. Consultant was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 5-4.1. 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 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

CONSULTANT: Cunningham Communications
4052 North Avers Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60618-1902
(773) 279-1522
Vendor #29583

USER: Office of Communications
125 South Clark – 6th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Ms. Celeste Garrett
(773) 553-1620

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on July 1, 2005 and shall end June 30, 2006. This agreement shall have two options to renew for periods of one year each at the cost of \$120,000.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Consultant will provide advice and consultation to the Office of Communications on the following matters: development of CPS' overall strategic communications plan, including, but not limited to, organizational structure, development of CPS messages pertaining to key initiatives and preparation of customary public and media relations materials related to key initiatives. Consultant shall provide related direction and support to current communications staff.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant will deliver periodic public and media relations materials and periodic status reports regarding the progress and performance of the Chief Executive Office.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services shall result in a strategic communications plan and refinement of the CPS communications function.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid \$10,000 per month upon invoicing; not to exceed the sum of \$120,000 for the term of this agreement.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

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 Executive Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: The vendor for this contract is an independent consultant (100% non-minority).

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to the Office of Communications: \$120,000 Fiscal Year: 2006
Budget Classification: 0180-210-000-1534-5410 Source of Funds: Education, 210

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.

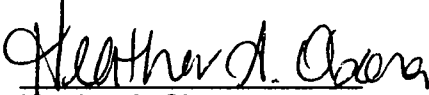
Indebtedness – The Board’s Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

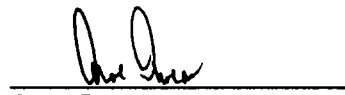
Ethics – The Board’s Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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:

Approved:



Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 


Patrick Rocks
General Counsel