

**APPROVE EXERCISING THE OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT
WITH LEARNING POINT ASSOCIATES FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the option to renew the agreement with Learning Point Associates to provide consulting services to the Office of Language and Cultural Education at a cost not to exceed \$90,000.00. A written renewal document exercising this option 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 document. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written document is not executed within 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option is stated below.

Prior approval to exercise this option was obtained through the CPOR process (authorized by CPO#05-1128-CPOR161) in the amount of \$70,000.00. A Board Report is now required because since that approval was obtained, it was determined that additional services would be required increasing the cost for the renewal period to \$90,000.00.

CONSULTANT:

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ORIGINAL AGREEMENT: The original Agreement authorized by Board Report #04-1117-ED11 in the amount of \$85,000.00 was for a term commencing December 1, 2004 and ending November 30, 2005, with the Board having (2) options to renew for one-year terms. The original agreement was awarded on a non-competitive basis because of consultant's expertise and reputation in providing quality evaluation services.

RENEWAL PERIOD: The term of this agreement is being extended for one year commencing December 1, 2005 and ending November 30, 2006.

OPTION PERIODS REMAINING: There is (1) option period for one year remaining. .

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Learning Point Associates will continue to analyze all data related to the efficacy of the *Connecting with American History Project*. Learning Point Associates' staff will provide analysis of the pre-and post-teacher American History test which has been administered to both control and comparison schools and the pre-and post-student tests administered to both control and comparison schools involved in the project. Further Learning Point Associates will administer teacher surveys and hold focus groups to determine program efficacy. Data analysis derived from the test and survey results will be the property of CPS

DELIVERABLES: Consultant will continue to provide the deliverables outlined in the scope of services. These deliverables will include the following written analyses:

- Analysis of pre-and post-student tests exhibiting American History knowledge
- Analysis of pre-and post- teacher tests exhibiting American History knowledge
- Analysis of teacher surveys and focus groups determining program efficacy
- An evaluation report at the end of each project year
- An evaluation report at the end of the three-year project cycle.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services will result in an evaluation of the *Connecting with American History Project* that will enable CPS to quantify teacher and student knowledge of American History. The Consultant's services will also demonstrate program efficacy and identify necessary program modifications.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid upon receipt of invoice voucher as follows: in quarterly installments, not to exceed the sum of \$90,000.00.

REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written renewal document. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the renewal document. Authorize the Chief 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 consultant is a not-for-profit.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Curriculum and Development \$90,000 Fiscal Year: 2006
Budget Classification: 0460-251-279-8984-5410 Source of Funds: NCLB – Title V

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 June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the 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 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).

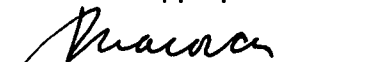
Approved for Consideration:


Barbara Eason-Watkins, Ed.D.
Chief Education Officer

Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form 


Patrick Rocks
General Counsel