

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
FOR CONSULTING SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Illinois Institute of Technology to provide consulting services to the Office of Academic Enhancement at a cost not to exceed \$201,761.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis due to its qualifications, expertise and abilities to provide appropriate examination services for gifted and classical schools. 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: Illinois Institute of Technology Center for Research and Service

3300 South Federal Street Room 301
Chicago, IL 60616-3793
312-567-3000
Contact Person : Domenica G. Pappas, CRA or
Bruce M. Fisher, Ph.D.
Vendor # 26500

USER: Office of Academic Enhancement
125 S. Clark St. 4th Floor
Contact Person: Jack Harnedy
Academic Enhancement Officer
773-553-2060

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on August 28, 2006 and shall end August 27, 2007. This agreement shall have four options to renew for periods of one year each.

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

SCOPE OF SERVICES: For students applying to take the K-3 admission entrance examination to gain admission into the regional gifted centers and classical schools, IIT Institute of Technology Center for Research and Service will: (1) schedule testing, (2) provide a testing site, (3) hire qualified personnel that are trained in assessment and standardization procedures, (4) administer assessment instruments as recommended by the Office of Academic Enhancement, (5) Score Kindergarten entrance examinations and provide quality control by rechecking scores, ensure the confidentiality of all test scores and assessment materials, notify the parents of assessment results in writing and provide a written interpretation of those results, and provide CPS with score reports via a spreadsheet.

DELIVERABLES: The Center for Research and Service in the Institute of Psychology at the Illinois Institute of Technology will provide the Chicago Public Schools Office of Academic Enhancement with score reports via spread sheets. All data will be checked by the consultant for accuracy and it will be the assessment center's responsibility to ensure the accuracy of scores reported to the Chicago Public Schools. The Center for Research and Service in the Institute of Psychology at the Illinois Institute of Technology will provide the parents with a score report and interpretation of their child's test scores.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services will result in a cost efficient method of supporting the application and assessment process for the Chicago Public Schools gifted programs, while making the process transparent, objective and valid.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: Upon invoicing, not to exceed the sum of \$201,761.00

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: The participation goal provisions of the plan do not apply to transactions where the vendor is a not-for-profit organization, in which there is no opportunity for direct or indirect participation of M/WBE's.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to the Office of Academic Enhancement: \$201,761.00 Fiscal Year: 2007

Source of Funds: 210

Budget Classification: 0916-210-706-7923-5410 \$201,761.00 – FY 2007

Requisition Number: [#]

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.

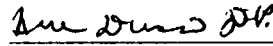
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

Approved for Consideration:



Heather A. Obora
Chief Purchasing Officer

Approved:



Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 


Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel 