

**APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF PROSSER CAREER ACADEMY IN THE SISTER CITIES PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM**

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

Approve the participation of Prosser Career Academy High School in the Sister Cities Program and authorize travel expenses related to the program.

**USER:** Prosser Career Academy High School  
2148 North Long Avenue  
773-534-3200  
Kenneth Hunter

**PROGRAM:** The Sister Cities Student Athlete Cultural Exchange will provide funding for 9 students to travel to Birmingham, England for 8 days to participate in activities that will promote cultural/social diversity appreciation and develop student leadership skills.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** Internationally linked students will work together by sharing goals/teamwork skill development and cultural exchange. Students will engage in skill activities promoting basketball development with the purpose of establishing an interscholastic program in Birmingham, England. Effective communication skills will be built upon daily while working with others from a new and different culture during teambuilding activities. As the student athletes interact cooperatively, they will learn and develop positive group dynamics that can assist them in new learning situations as life-long learners. Educational tours to significant geographic and historical landmarks of England will enhance global awareness.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program are being made by Jeffrey S. Bates.

**COST:** The per person cost is \$1,500 which includes [transportation, meals, hotel, costs, health and accident insurance, trip cancellation insurance, etc. The costs will be paid by donations.

**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. There are a total of nine(9) students and 3 chaperones.

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Prosser Career Academy High School

**AUTHORIZATION:** Not applicable.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not applicable.

**LSC REVIEW:** This action was approved by the LSC.

**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).

**Approved for Consideration:**

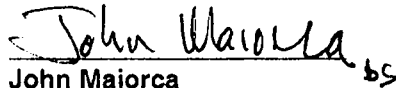
**Approved:**



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**Barbara Eason-Watkins**  
Chief Education Officer

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**Arne Duncan**  
Chief Executive Officer

**Within Appropriation:**



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**John Maiorca**  
Chief Financial Officer

**Approved as to legal form:**

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**Patrick J. Rocks**  
General Counsel