## APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF JOSEPH E. GARY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN AN EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of eighty (80) Joseph Gary eighth grade students in an educational tour to Washington, D.C. from May 14, 2007 through May 18, 2007.

USER: Joseph E. Gary 3740 West 31<sup>st</sup> Street Chicago, Illinois 60623 (773) 534-1455

Flora E. Dangerfield, Principal

**PROGRAM:** Gary eighth grade students will travel to Washington, D.C. from May 14, 2007 through May 18, 2007. The students will visit the historical sites, monuments, museums, view documents and participate in the ceremony at the Tomb of Unknown Soldier.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** Students will do a comparative study (journal and work sheet) on what they have read and studied in their Social Studies curriculum vs. what they experience first hand. Students will keep a daily 'journal' and 'passports' of sites visited. A detailed itinerary has been scheduled to ensure students will gain field experiences related to the classroom instruction.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program are being made by Nova Tours and Travel Inc., 504 Vine Street, Liverpool, NY, 13088, (315) 451-0260.

**COST:** The per pupil cost is \$565.00 which includes the Coach USA bus, bus drivers, hotel accommodations, meal arrangements, and security personnel necessary for the trip. The costs will be paid by Student Fees and Fund Raising profits.

**CHAPERONES:** Supervision of students will be provided for this program pursuant to Board Report 03-0527-PO01, including proper ratio of students to adults.

Traveling with the students will be Flora Dangerfield (Principal), Margaret Olawoye (Assistant Principal), Frank Abbinanti (Counselor), Irene Zaragoza (Teacher), Deborah Zeilner (Teacher), Marcelo Aguilar (Teacher), Christopher Eccher (Teacher), Shirley Parks (Educational Support Personnel) and Alex De La Luz (Security).

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student/persons are on file at Joseph E. Gary School, Unit #3520.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

LSC REVIEW: This action was approved by the LSC for Joseph Gary School on December 14, 2006.

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.

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:

Burbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

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Chief Financial Officer

Approved:

Arne Duncan

**Chief Executive Officer** 

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Patrick J. Rocks General Counsel