

**RATIFY THE PARTICIPATION OF LASALLE LANGUAGE ACADEMY IN AN  
EDUCATIONAL TOUR TO WASHINGTON, D.C.**

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

Ratify the participation of twenty-seven (27) LaSalle Language Academy students in an educational tour to Washington, D. C. from May 18, 2007 through May 20, 2007.

**USER:** LaSalle Language Academy  
1734 North Orleans Street  
Chicago, Illinois 60614  
(773) 534-8470  
Dr. Amy Weiss Narea, Principal

**PROGRAM:** Three day eighth grade tour to Washington, D. C. from May 18, 2007 through May 20, 2007.

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** Students in the Language Academy Program studied a curriculum which emphasized our country's democracy and heritage and this tour provided the students with an opportunity to observe first hand the sites, documents, etc. with regard to U.S. history and government. The students and their teachers followed a prescribed itinerary to sites of historical interest related to the curriculum.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program were made by Educational Tours, Inc., Barbara Smith, 111 Pfingsten Road, Deerfield, Illinois 60015.

**COST:** The per pupil cost was \$629.10 which included transportation, meals, hotel accommodations and health and accident insurance coverage providing protection against bodily injury or death. The costs were paid by individual students. Scholarships were provided by fund-raising activities so that no student is excluded for financial reasons.

**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.

Traveling with students were: Leslie Schermerhorn (Teacher), Marcie Byrd (Teacher) and Stewart VanSteen (Teacher).

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at LaSalle Language Academy.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not applicable.

**LSC REVIEW:** This action was approved by the LSC for LaSalle Language Academy on November 1, 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:**

  
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**Barbara Eason-Watkins**  
Chief Education Officer

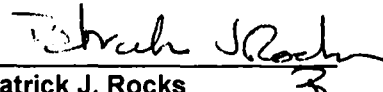
**Noted:**

  
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**John Maiorca**  
Chief Financial Officer

**Approved:**

  
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**Arne Duncan**  
Chief Executive Officer

**Approved as to legal form:**

  
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**Patrick J. Rocks**  
General Counsel

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