

APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF PECK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE CHICAGO-AMMAN SISTER CITIES "WE GROW IN JORDAN INTERNATIONAL SUMMER CAMP" IN AMMAN, JORDAN

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of four (4) Peck Elementary School students in the Chicago-Amman Sister Cities International Program in the "We Grow in Jordan International Summer Camp" in Amman, Jordan from July 26, 2007 through August 3, 2007.

USER: Peck Elementary School
3826 West 58th Street
(773) 535-2450
Okab T. Hassan, Principal

PROGRAM: To assist CPS students enrolled at Peck School in further developing into global citizens, the Peck School in cooperation with the Amman Chicago Sister Cities International Program, is sponsoring the "We Grow in Jordan International Summer Camp" in Amman, Jordan. This event gathers international youth from several countries for a week of visiting, learning and cultural interaction which is especially designed to promote creativity, peace, cross-cultural understanding, tolerance and solidarity amongst youth. Amman, Jordan is a Sister City of Chicago, Illinois.

EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES: Peck School believes that all students should have the opportunity to experience and develop an appreciation for languages and cultures beyond their own. This summer camp will enable student participants to strengthen their Arabic Cultural and Linguistic skills as well as experience in the Arabic Cultural setting. This Sister City relationship between Chicago & Amman will strengthen as these students will represent not only Chicago, Illinois but the United States of America.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION: Arrangements for this program are being made by the Greater Amman Municipality via the Chicago-Amman Sister Cities International Program Manager, Adrienne Tongate.

COST: There is no per pupil cost for this trip. The cost for this trip includes airfare, land transportation, meals and room and board which will be paid by the Chicago – Amman Sister Cities International Program.

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 will be: Mr. Okab T. Hassan (Principal) and Mrs. Sana Rawashdeh (Bilingual School Clerk).

PARENTAL CONSENT: Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Peck Elementary School.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

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

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:


Barbara Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

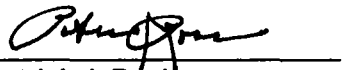
Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: 


Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel