

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO A SOFTWARE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH  
BRIDGES TRANSITIONS CO. (F/K/A BRIDGES.COM)**

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

Approve entering into a software license agreement with Bridges Transitions Co. (f/k/a Bridges.com) for Choices Planner to be used by the Office of High Schools and High School Programs, Departments of Education To Careers and Postsecondary Education and Student Development at a cost not to exceed \$151,000. Software licensor was selected on a non-competitive basis because this software program meets the required specifications to offer postsecondary occupation and planning resource services that guides students to develop an electronic portfolio to plan their education and career path. A written license agreement for such software products is currently being negotiated. Software upgrades and "bug fixes" will be provided free of charge for the length of the contract. Thereafter, the Board must pay an annual maintenance fee for such upgrades and bug fixes. No use of the software shall begin and no payment shall be made to software Licensor prior to the execution of the written license 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.

**SOFTWARE**

**LICENSOR:** Bridges Transitions Co. (f/k/a Bridges.com)  
33637 B Highway 97 N  
Oroville, WA 98844  
310-945-0502  
J. Michael Thompson, CEO  
Vendor #: 13740

**USER:** Office of High Schools and High School Programs  
Department of Education To Careers  
Department of Postsecondary Education and Student Development  
125 S. Clark Street, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Chicago, IL 60603  
Jill Wine-Banks, Officer  
773-553-2460  
Greg Darneider, Director  
773-553-2108

**TERM:** The term of this software license agreement shall commence on July 1, 2008 and shall end June 30, 2009. The Board shall have 1 option to renew this agreement for a period of 1 year.

**USE OF SOFTWARE:** The software will assist all CPS 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students in exploring educational and career opportunities. The software includes an electronic portfolio component in order that each student will be able to develop an individualized career and educational plan. The software will allow CPS to collect data from the student activities such as what careers students are interested in, what colleges they are researching, and what items they have completed in their portfolios.

**OUTCOMES:** Every 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade CPS student will be provided with the tools to develop an individualized career and education plan that will guide them in their decision-making regarding their postsecondary plans.

**LICENSE FEE:** Software Licensor shall be paid a lump sum in the amount of \$151,000.00.

**MAINTENANCE FEE:** The maintenance fee for the one-year term is included in the license fee.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written license agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the license agreement. Authorize the Department of Education To Careers Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to

administer or effectuate this license agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The M/WBE goals for this contract include 25% total MBE and 5% total WBE participation.

However, the Office of Business Diversity recommends that a full waiver of the M/WBE participation goals for this contract as required by the Remedial Program be granted because the contract scope is not further divisible. (Software License Agreement)

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

<b>FINANCIAL:</b> Charge to Department of Education To Careers: \$21,875.00	Fiscal Year: 2009
Budget Classification: 11410-369-53306-212040-322012	Source of Funds: Grant
Charge to Department of Education To Careers: \$48,125.00	Fiscal Year: 2009
Budget Classification: 11410-369-53306-212013-322012	Source of Funds: Grant
Charge to Postsecondary Education and Student Development: \$80,000.00	
Fiscal Year: 2008-2009	Source of Funds: Local
Budget Classification: 13727-115-53306-21203-000000	

**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.

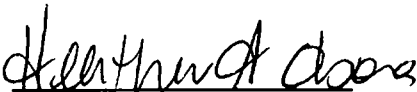
Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their 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.

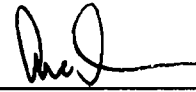
Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

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:**

  
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**Heather A. Obora**  
**Chief Purchasing Officer**

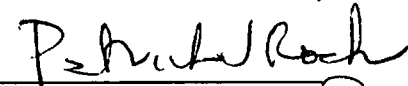
**Approved:**

  
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**Arne Duncan**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

**Within Appropriation:**

  
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**Pedro Martinez**  
**Chief Financial Officer**

Approved as to legal form: 

  
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**Patrick J. Rocks**  
**General Counsel**