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## APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MIDWEST MONTESSORI TEACHER TRAINING CENTER FOR TRAINING AND CONSULTING SERVICES

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Midwest Montessori Teacher Training Center to provide training and consulting services to the Office of Academic Enhancement at a cost not to exceed \$51,750.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis due to its program design. It is the only training facility in Illinois that offers both an early childhood and elementary Montessori training program. Of the three Montessori training facilities that were solicited, Consultant provided the lowest training cost per person. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Consultant and no payment shall be made to Consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written agreement is not executed within 60 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this agreement is stated below.

Specification No.: 04-250054

**CONSULTANT**: Midwest Montessori Teacher Training Center

926 Noyes Street Evanston, IL 60201

(847) 276-0404 or (847) 276-0405

Contact person: Michael Kunert or Louise Kunert

Vendor # 24536

**USER:** Office of Academic Enhancement

125 S. Clark, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor Chicago, IL 60603

Contact Person: Jack Harnedy, Academic Enhancement Officer

(773) 553-2060

**TERM**: The term of this agreement shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and shall end July 31, 2005. This agreement shall have 2 options to renew for periods of 1 year each.

**EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT**: To be negotiated

**SCOPE OF SERVICES**: The Midwest Montessori Teacher Training Center (MMTTC) will provide training to 4 administrators, 6 teachers and 6 teacher assistants. Administrators and teachers will attend a five-week summer program and assistants will attend a one week program. MMTTC will continue to provide workshops and support services throughout 2004 and the summer of 2005. MMTTC services will include (1) training, (2) consultative services for teachers, (3) giving schools assistance with administering and implementing the Montessori Program, and (4) providing follow-up services during June 2005.

**DELIVERABLES**: Each of the 16 participating administrators, teachers and teacher assistants will receive one curriculum album for each subject area covered and an Early Childhood Montessori certificate.

**OUTCOMES**: Consultant's services will result in participating administrators, teachers and teacher assistants receiving their Early Childhood Montessori certification and will enable CPS to offer Early Childhood Montessori Programs conducted by these participants.

**COMPENSATION**: Consultant shall be paid as follows: payment based on invoices not to exceed the sum of \$51,750.00.

**REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES: None** 

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written

agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Deputy Chief Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** The M/WBE goals for this contract include 35% total MBE 22% total African American,10% total Hispanic, 2% total Asian and 5% total WBE. However, the Waiver Review Committee recommends that a partial waiver of the M/WBE Participation Goals for this contract as required by the Revised Remedial Plan be granted because the contract scope is not further divisible.

Consultant has identified and scheduled the following firms and percentages:

Total WBE: 21%			
Louise Kunert	813 Braeman Court, Libertyville, IL 60048	\$3,500.00	or 6.9%
Kathleen Kasser	1840 W. Farwell Chicago, IL 60626	\$2,000.00	or 4.0%
Pamela Zirko	216 W. Third St., Woodstock, IL 60098	\$2,000.00	or 4.0%
Mary R. Strezewski	825 Braeman Ct. Libertyville, IL 60048	\$2.000.00	or 4.0%
Regina Barnett	16 Penny St., Aurora, IL 60506	\$500.00	or 1.0%
Susan J. Siciliano	211 Downing Rd., Buffalo Grove, IL 60089	\$500.00	or 1.0%

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Academic Enhancement: \$51,750.00 Fiscal Year: FY2004

Budget Classification: 0954-210-712-7923-5410 Source of Funds: Education 210

Requisition Number:

## **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 July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0927-RU3), 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:** 

Heather A. Obora Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

John J. Maiorca Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:

Ruth Moscovitch General Counsel Approved:

Arne Duncan

**Chief Executive Officer**