## APPROVE TUITION PAYMENTS TO DEPAUL UNIVERSITY FOR THE ASIAN AND ASIAN AMERICAN OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve payment of tuition to DePaul University for undergraduate level coursework monitored by the Office of Language and Cultural Education for the CPS/DePaul Asian and Asian American Opportunities Program (DAAAO) at a cost not to exceed \$121,032.00. The coursework provided will enable 41 CPS high school students to attend four quarters of classes at DePaul University where they will study an Asian Language as well as Asian and Asian American history and sociology. No written agreement for this program is required. Information pertaining to this program is stated below.

**UNIVERSITY:** DePaul University

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**PAYMENT PERIOD:** Tuition payments are authorized for university courses scheduled from June 28, 2004 through May 30, 2005.

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** The DePaul University Asian and Asian American Opportunities (DAAAO) Program, in collaboration with the Office of Language and Cultural Education, will provide coursework for a cohort of 41 CPS high school students in the areas of Asian languages (Chinese and Japanese), and Asian and Asian American history and sociology. This is the second year of a two-year academic program. The DAAAO Program will provide college credit hours to students upon completion and will also fulfill high school elective requirements.

Year two of the DAAAO Program includes the summer, fall, winter and spring quarters and students will receive 16 credit hours. The cost of the courses is \$184.50 per credit hour. The total cost calculation is as follows: 16 credit hours per student x \$184.50 per credit hour x 41 students = \$121,032.00.

**OUTCOMES:** A cohort of 41 CPS students will demonstrate knowledge of an Asian language as well as of an understanding of historical and contemporary issues regarding the Asian and Asian American community.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Pursuant to section 3.7 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE) this contract is *exempt* from review because the contract is for tuition payment.

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to the Office of Language and Cultural Education:

Amount: \$91,032.00 0930-210-000-1720-5560 – Fiscal Year 2004, General Funds

\$30,000.00 0930-268-227-7944-5560 - Fiscal Year 2004, Federal Funds

Approved for Consideration:

Barbara Eason-Watkins **Chief Education Officer** 

Within Appropriation:

John Maiorca

**Chief Financial Officer** 

**General Counsel** 

Approved:

**Arne Duncan** 

**Chief Executive Officer**