APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY FOR AVENUES FOR SUCCESS PROGRAM II SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with Northeastern Illinois University to provide Avenues for Success Program II Services to the Office of Specialized Services at a cost not to exceed \$115,000.00. Northeastern previously provided these services under the CPOR procurement procedures. A written agreement for Northeastern's services is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to Northeastern Illinois University 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 90 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this renewal is stated below.

CONSULTANT: Northeastern Illinois University

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Chicago, Illinois 60622 Contact: Richard Rutschman

Phone: 312 563-7156 Fax: 312 563-7210

Vendor # 29483

USER: Office of Specialized Services

Safe and Drug Free Schools & Communities

125 South Clark, 8th floor

Chicago, IL 60603

Contact: Dr. Renee Grant-Mitchell

Phone: 773 553-1800

TERM: The term of this agreement shall commence on December 1, 2006 and shall end on November 30, 2008. This agreement shall have two (2) options to renew for periods of twelve (12) months each. The cost of each option period shall be negotiated prior to the start of such option period and shall be determined by the amount awarded in grant.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT: The Board shall have the right to terminate this agreement with 30 days written notice.

SCOPE OF SERVICES: The Avenues for Success II Program (Program), is a family service delivery model based upon Project SUCCESS. This Program is being funded under a grant from the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE) and is being conducted with no fewer than 400 at-risk students -- approximately 100 students from each of four CPS high schools: Kelly, Manley, Tilden, and Prologue. Northeastern shall provide the experiential component of the Program and shall work with each participating school and with SGA Youth and Family Services (SGA) to select appropriate student participants for the experiential component of the Program The experiential component consists of classroom-based and outdoor education and experiential activities to support the implementation of the following Program objectives: developing decision-making, leadership, and interpersonal skills. Activities being provided by Northeastern shall include classroom-based cooperative games, obstacle courses, rope climbing, wall climbing and camping experiences. Northeastern shall use its certified, Adventure Education staff to supervise and direct all out-door activities. Northeastern or the Board shall obtain signed consents for each participating student.

DELIVERABLES: Northeastern shall provide classroom activities under the Program. Northeastern also shall provide a minimum of two off-site experiential education activities per school each quarter. Northeastern shall provide the materials required for these activities. Northeastern, through its Adventure Education Staff, shall provide on-going orientation for its Program activities and shall share resources on experiential education methodologies with the SGA counselors and CPS staff.

OUTCOMES: Northeastern's services shall result in the following improvements for student participants in the Avenues for Success program:

- 1. Fewer students shall engage in binge drinking;
- 2. More students shall believe that alcohol is harmful to their health;
- 3. More students shall disapprove of alcohol abuse; and
- 4. Student performance shall improve, as measured by fewer disciplinary infractions; improved attendance, and; improved letter grades in core subjects.

COMPENSATION: Northeastern shall be paid an amount not to exceed \$115,000.00 in the aggregate for the 2-year term. Payments for the first year shall not exceed \$80,000 and payments for the second year shall not exceed \$35,000. Payments shall be made as detailed in the agreement.

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 Specialized Services 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, pursuant to section 3.7 of the Revised Remedial Plan for Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract Participation (M/WBE Plan), this contract is exempt from review because the vendor is a university.

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to: Office of Specialized Services: \$115,000.00

Fiscal Year: 2006 - 2007 \$80,000.00 Fiscal Year: 2007 - 2008 \$35,000.00

Budget Classification: 0965-258-632-8984-5410

Source of Funds: Misc. Federal/State Requisition Number: pending

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 member 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:

Heather A. Obora Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

Chief Financial Officer

Approved:

Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Patrick J. Rocks' General Counsel