## APPROVE THE PARTICIPATION OF MICHELE CLARK ACADEMIC PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL TRIP TO SPAIN AND AUTHORIZE TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE PROGRAM

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the participation of three (3) Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School students in an educational tour to Spain from March 29, 2007-April 6, 2007.

**USER:** Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School

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Annette Gurley, Principal Amy Hamilton, Sponsor

PROGRAM: Educational Tour to Spain from March 29, 2007 – April 6, 2007

**EDUCATIONAL VALUE/OUTCOMES:** Students will participate in an education tour in Spain and experience first hand some of the culture of the people and the language they have been studying. They will be exposed to authentic internationalism and this experience will help us develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who will continue to help create a better more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

**TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS/TRIP INFORMATION:** Arrangements for this program are being made by E F Tours, US Headquarters, EF Boston, One Education Street, Cambridge, MA 02141-1883 and school sponsor Amy Hamilton.

COST: The per pupil cost is \$1,607.00 which includes a lifetime membership fee, round trip airfare, 6 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms, breakfast, lunch and dinner daily, full time bilingual EF Tour Director, 3 sightseeing tours led by local guides, 6 visits to special attractions, 1 EF walking tour, 1 EF orientation tour. The costs will be paid from Student Fees (\$3,494.00), Grants (\$800), School Funds (\$800.00) and Chaperone payments.

**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. Two CPS teachers, Amy Hamilton and Phyllis Ford France, will travel with the three students who are enrolled.

**PARENTAL CONSENT:** Written parental consent and release forms for each student are on file at Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

**LSC REVIEW:** This action was approved by the LSC for Michele Clark Academic Preparatory High School on November 9, 2006.

## **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.

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 any 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 any agreement.

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 - Westings

Barbara Eason-Watkins Chief Education Officer

Within Appropriation:

John Maiorca

Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form:

Patrick J. Rocks General Counsel Approved:

Arne Duncan

**Chief Executive Officer**