APPROVE PAYMENT TO PPES, INC. FOR CONSULTING SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve payment to PPES, Inc. They provided Least Restrictive Environment consulting services to the Office of Specialized Services from October 2005 to June 2007 in the amount of \$795,941.96. These services were rendered without prior Board approval and all services have been completed. Consultant was selected by the Illinois State Board of Education (the "ISBE") pursuant to the court supervised Settlement Agreement in the Corey H. case.

CONSULTANT: PPES, Inc.

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Oak Park, IL 60303
Vendor # 37491
Contact: Phyllis Porter
Phone No.: 773-780-7737

USER: Office of Specialized Services

125 S. Clark Street, 8th Floor

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Contact: Renee Grant-Mitchell, Ed.D.

Phone No.: 773-553-1800

SCOPE OF SERVICES: Consultant provided Least Restrictive Environment ("LRE") workshops and services based on scopes of services developed on a case by case basis.

DELIVERABLES: Consultant provided the following: materials for each workshop, monthly activities reports detailing the amount of time spent and a description of each activity, needs assessments as requested, and any other documentation requested by the Director of LRE Monitored Programs.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services assisted schools in preparing for a successful ISBE monitoring visit.

COMPENSATION: Consultant was paid the sum of \$795,941.96.

FINANCIAL: The Financial provisions below are aligned to the Least Restrictive Environment Board Report.

Charge to: Office of Specialized Services \$185,556.55 Fiscal Year: 2006

Budget Classification:

Various School Units-220-462035-221010 Various Accounts: \$727.00 Various School Units-220-463509-221010 Various Accounts: \$184,829.55

Charge to: Office of Specialized Services \$610,385.41 Fiscal Year: 2007

Budget Classification:

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: A review of Minority and Women Business Enterprise Contract participation was precluded due to completed contract performance.

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

Approved for Consideration:

Heather A. Obora Chief Purchasing Officer

Within Appropriation:

Pedro Martinez

Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to legal form: bb

Patrick J. Rocks General Counsel Approved:

Arne Duncan

Chief Executive Officer