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November 14, 2012

AUTHORIZE THE CONTINUED RETENTION OF THE LAW FIRM NEAL & LEROY, L.L.C.

THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize the continued retention of the law firm Neal & Leroy, L.L.C.

DESCRIPTION: The General Counsel desires to continue the retention of the law firm Neal & Leroy, L.L.C. to provide legal services in connection with land acquisitions and related matter for the Capital Improvement Program. Additional authorization for the firm's anticipated fees is requested in the amount of $500,000. As invoices are received, they will be reviewed by the General Counsel and, if satisfactory, processed for payment.

LSC REVIEW: LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS: The firm is an MBE.

FINANCIAL:

Charge $500,000.00 to Department of Operations

Budget Classifications Fiscal Year 2013:	12150-483-56310-009522-000000-2013	($250,000)
	11910-230-54125-254009-000000-2013	($250,000)

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 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 May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), 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,

JAMES BEBLEY
General Counsel