AUTHORIZE NEW AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZING AND FAMILY ISSUES FOR WALKING PRESCHOOLERS TO SCHOOL SERVICES (THE WALKING BUS PROGRAM)

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize a new agreement with Community Organizing and Family Issues (COFI) to provide support to families experiencing challenges and difficulties transporting their children to school for the Office of Early Childhood Education at a total cost not to exceed \$181,413.00. Vendor was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-2, via 13-0925-CPOR-1589. A written agreement for Vendor's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Vendor and no payment shall be made to Vendor prior to 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 agreement is stated below.

Contract Administrator: Escareno, Miss Masocorro / 773-553-2284

CPOR Number: 13-0925-CPOR-1589

VENDOR:

1) Vendor # 31969
COMMUNITY ORGANIZING & FAMILY ISSUES
1436 WEST RANDOLPH, 4TH FLR.
CHICAGO, IL 60607
Ellen Schumer
312 226-5141

USER INFORMATION:

Contact: 11360 - Early Childhood Development

125 South Clark Street 9th Floor

Chicago, IL 60603

Mascitti-Miller, Miss Elizabeth

773-553-2010

TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence on November 1, 2013 and shall end June 30, 2014. This agreement shall have one option to renew for a period of two (2) years.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:

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

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Vendor will provide a program in partnership with other city agencies, to improve attendance for students (ages 3-5) at ten (10) Chicago Public Schools with as many as 50 parents from the school community. Vendor will work with each school to identify and recruit families who are experiencing challenges and difficulties transporting their children to school or for students with low attendance and are in need of individuals to walk preschoolers from home to school and back. Vendor will keep a daily log of children picked up and dropped off. Vendor will consult with CPS staff regarding children's low attendance and low enrollment numbers to assist with increasing attendance and enrollment in the community areas.

DELIVERABLES:

Vendor will provide on a monthly basis a report that details: the number of parent consent documents received, the number of conductors on staff for the month, the number of participating children for the month, a daily log of children picked up and dropped off, attendance and enrollment indicators per school, satisfaction survey from participating families, a list of programs providing full day or afterschool programming (updated as needed), a listing of community resources for employment, housing and educational opportunities (updated as needed).

OUTCOMES:

Vendor's services will result in a positive impact on the attendance (maintain or increase attendance rates) of participating children being transported by the Walking Bus Program at the ten (10) identified schools. There will be a positive impact on enrollment due to the fact that families will enroll or maintain enrollment of their children in preschool based on the availability of the Walking Preschoolers to School Services opportunity. The vendor's services will result in an increase in parent participation within the preschool classroom, as well as, providing parent leadership support for preschool families.

COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid as specified in the agreement; total not to exceed the sum of \$181,413.

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 Chief Early Childhood Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

Pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts, MBE/WBE provisions of the Program does not apply to transactions where the vendor providing services operates as a Non-for-Profit organization.

LSC REVIEW:

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Fund 362, Unit 11385, Office of Early Childhood Education, FY14 \$181,413

CFDA#:

Not Applicable

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 for Consideration:

SÉBASTIEN de LONGEAUX Chief Procurement Officer Approved:

BARBARA BYRD-BENNETT Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Forr

JAMES L. BEBLEY General Counsel