AUTHORIZE A NEW AGREEMENT WITH THE ACHIEVEMENT NETWORK FOR FORMATIVE STUDENT ASSESSMENT AND PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES

THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize a new agreement with The Achievement Network to provide a formative student assessment and professional support services to the AUSL Network at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. The vendor was selected on a competitive basis pursuant to RFP #13-17 issued by the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County [Tennessee] by and through the Metropolitan Board of Public Education, as amended, which subsequently entered into a contract with the vendor. The Board desires to purchase these services based upon that solicitation and contract pursuant to Board Rule 7-2.4, which authorizes the Board to purchase non-biddable and biddable items through federal, state, county, city and sister city agency contracts which are not subject to Section 7-2 procurement requirements. A written agreement for this purchase is currently being negotiated. No goods may be ordered or received and no payment shall be made to Vendor prior to the execution of their 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: Gromadzka, Ms. Justyna / 773-553-2273

VENDOR:

1) Vendor # 99838 ACHIEVEMENT NETWORK, THE 225 FRIEND ST., STE 704 BOSTON, MA 02114 Stephanie Powell 617 725-0000

Ownership: Non Profit

USER INFORMATION:

Contact:

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TERM:

The term of this agreement shall commence on July 1, 2015 and shall end June 30, 2016. This agreement shall have four (4) options to renew for periods of one (1) year each.

EARLY TERMINATION RIGHT:

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

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

The following services will be provided to the AUSL Network of CPS schools:

1. RESOURCES

- a. Planning tools Protocols and templates to facilitate planning, including the Vendors Schedule of Assessed Standards
- b. Curriculum guides Standards and Objectives Guides aligned to State Standards and Common Core Standards
- c. Lesson Planning support Plans and examples to facilitate re-teaching

2. Web-based PLATFORM

- a. Access for every teacher and administrator to online platform MyAchievementnetwork.org containing results from assessments, tools and network information
- b. Access to the Vendors network of collaborating schools to share best practices and strategies around commonly shared challenges

3. ASSESSMENT MATERIALS

- a. Quiz Tool access Online re-assessment tool for teachers
- b. Interim assessments in Mathematics for grades 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7; 8
- c. Interim assessments in English for grades 2; 3; 4; 5; 6; 7; 8

4. ANALYSIS, LOGISTICS & REPORTING

- a. Electronic delivery for all assessments materials and answer sheets
- b. Pick-up at school for assessment answer sheets (one pick-up per assessment administration)
- c. Scanning and scoring for multiple choice portions of assessment answer sheets
- d. Reports containing analysis of assessment results (the "Reports"), which include: Student summaries by whole school, class, grade and student level, item analysis by grade and Network comparisons available through https://my.achievementnetwork.org

5. TRAINING & COACHING

- a. Logistics training for key personnel at school site
- b. Vendor orientation for administrators and teachers (if new school)
- c. Student goal setting support
- d. School-specific coaching/training sessions (as agreed to between coach and school) aligned to the following elements of the data cycles: Annual and Pre-Cycle Planning, Data Meeting, Reflection Meeting e. School leader Mid-and-End-of-Year Meetings

6. NETWORK EVENTS

a. Network-specific events that may include: School Leadership Team Network Meetings, Data Showcase, Learning Walks, Professional Learning Communities, workshops, and others.

7. NETWORK TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

- a. Quarterly stepbacks between the Vendor and AUSL Network's leaders
- b. Regular check-ins between the Vendor and AUSL Network's leaders approximately 1-2 time each quarter.
- c. Quarterly tailored professional development experiences. Content for the aforementioned sessions will be mutually agreed upon by the Vendor and the AUSL Network based on quarterly step-back priorities set by the Vendor and the AUSL Network.
- d. Additional network meeting attendance and/or meeting presentation by the Vendors staff to support the AUSL Network in setting up rhythms and routines that will enable a strong multi-year relationship among the Vendor, the AUSL Network, and the schools.

DELIVERABLES:

1. Formative assessments for grades 2-8 in math and ELA, designed in-house and aligned to state Common Core standards

- 2. Online platform (called myANet) and instructional tools that supplement the Vendor's assessments providing teachers with tools to address student needs surfaced by assessment data.
- 3. Coaching, professional development, and membership in a professional network to help educators effectively use the Vendor's digital tools to improve student learning in their classrooms, build the capacity and skills of teachers and school leaders, and access best practices from across the Vendors network.
- 4. School and system consulting at the network level to align priorities, structures and resources to maximize impact across systems.

OUTCOMES:

Vendor's services will enable the network to create the conditions for optimum collaboration for data-driven school success. Similar to the Vendors school-focused professional development, their network-level support service is structured to reflect years of insight into on-the-ground challenges that schools and districts/networks face in aligning around effective, timely data use.

COMPENSATION:

Vendor shall be paid as specified in Vendor's agreement.

Estimated annual costs for the one (1) year term are set forth below: \$972,000, FY16

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 Chief of Network Supports to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:

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

LSC REVIEW:.

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL:

Fund: Various AUSL Network Schools \$972,000, FY16

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:

JESSE H. RUIZ

Interim Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form

JAMES L. BEBLEY General Counsel