

January 24, 2001

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FOCAL POINT PRODUCTIONS  
FOR THE PRODUCTION OF an EARLY CHILDHOOD VIRTUAL PRE-SCHOOL CLASSROOM VIDEO**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve entering into an agreement with Focal Point Productions for the production of the "Early Childhood - Virtual Classroom" video lessons in both English and Spanish for the Office of Language, Cultural, and Early Childhood Education (OLCECE) at a cost not to exceed \$95,010. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of the quality of previous work in preschool education and because the quality and goals are consistent with those of the Virtual Classroom Project. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No services shall be provided by Consultant and no payment shall be made to Consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall

be automatically rescinded in the event a written agreement is not executed within 60 days of the date of this

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the Board of Education to include the attached terms and conditions in the

written agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the agreement. Authorize the Office of Language, Cultural, and Early Childhood Education Chief Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** As a condition of this award, this firm agrees to comply with the provisions of the Revised Remedial Plan for M/WBE Economic Participation and agrees to make every effort to achieve full compliance with the goals for this program. The M/WBE goals for this program/project are: 35% Black, 22% Hispanic, 10% Asian, 2% WBE and 5% Non-Minority.

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

**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Office of Language and Culture (Citywide): \$95,010      Fiscal Year: 2001  
Budget Classification: 0952-210-000-2067-5410      Source of Funds: General Education

**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.

**NOTE:** This agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the