

**RATIFY EXERCISING OPTION TO RENEW ON-SITE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS  
WITH NCS PEARSON, INC.**

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

and the option to renew on-site maintenance agreements with NCS Pearson, Inc. for scanner equipment used by the Department of Research and Evaluation for the OASE, Stanford Diagnostic, Iowa Tests of Basic Skills, Tests of Achievement and Proficiency, and other tests. The estimated cost of these agreements is \$50,000. The Chief Executive Officer has approved the renewal of these agreements. In accordance with the terms of the existing maintenance agreements, renewal is effectuated by payment of the annual maintenance charges. Therefore no written documentation regarding these agreements is required.

**VENDOR:**

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**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:** These maintenance agreements were originally entered into on [redacted] and their terms were annually renewed. The agreement's start date determined by the agreed date of equipment installation. The agreement is being renewed annually ever since, with the most recent annual renewal being exercised under Board Resolution PR26.

**OPTION PERIOD:** The term is being extended for the period commencing November 1, 2002 and ending October 31, 2003 for the Onscan 21/100.

...er Review Committee recommends that a full waiver of the M/WBE participation goals for this contract as required by the Revised Remedial Plan be granted because the contract scope is not further divisible.

...School Board approval is not applicable to this contract.

...to Dept of Research & Eval \$63,680.00 - Fiscal Year 2003  
...Classification 1040324000102834311 Sources of Funds General Exp Fund

...IONS: ... GENERAL CONDITIONS

Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that in accordance with 106 ILCS

... of Education has the authority to conduct personnel

... have access to all information and personnel

... investigations and that the Inspector General shall have

... necessary to conduct those investigations

...g on the Board if entered into in violation of the law

... Conflicts of Interest The agreement shall not be legally binding