

APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO FOR CONSULTING SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with the University of Illinois at Chicago - Center for the Study of Learning, Instruction, and Teacher Development to provide consulting services to the Office of Math and Science ("OMS"), at a cost not to exceed \$160,000.00. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because it has

developed an on-line course design tool and database of instructional resources and has the necessary skills and expertise to provide the services required by the Board. A written agreement for Consultant's services is currently being negotiated. No payment will be made to Consultant prior to the execution of the written agreement. The

4. Make recommendations for organizing the Chicago Public Schools technical infrastructure to support an electronic system of mathematics and science assessments, as well as the associated professional

development focused on assessment literacy to support their use.

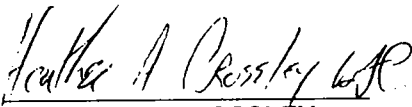
5. Provide written progress reports and an end of project summary report as outlined in the negotiated agreement.

OUTCOMES: Consultant's services will help OMS (1) Develop and promulgate new assessment tools in math and science that measure student achievement and improve the quality of day-to-day instruction (Assessment Design); (2) Evaluate the effectiveness of existing assessment tools and determine whether educational programs meet SBO goals and benchmarks (Program Evaluation); (3) Develop and implement professional development about

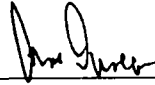
Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year shall be deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

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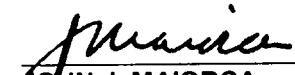


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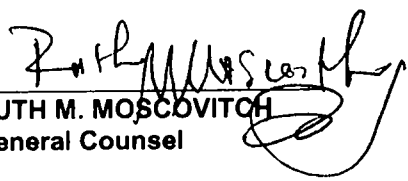
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