

**RESCIND BOARD REPORT 06-0322-EX6 AND  
APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH  
THE ACADEMY FOR URBAN SCHOOL LEADERSHIP  
TO PROVIDE SCHOOL TURNAROUND SERVICES AT  
WILLIAM T. SHERMAN ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL, SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:**

That the Board approve entering into an Agreement with the Academy for Urban School Leadership

("AUSL") to provide school turnaround services at William T. Sherman Elementary School, School of Excellence ("Sherman") at a cost not to exceed \$254,074.00 per year. A School Turnaround Services Agreement is currently being negotiated. No payment shall be made to AUSL prior to the execution of the written agreement. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event an agreement is

7. Assist the principal and the Local School Council to annually develop and implement a School Improvement Plan.
8. Provide a full-time professional field coach at Sherman who will provide ongoing school management consulting and professional development.
9. Provide enhanced fundraising opportunities to support the implementation of school initiatives.

**DELIVERABLES:** AUSL will provide quarterly reports to the Office of New Schools regarding the implementation of school turnaround measures and school progress. AUSL will furnish such additional information and reports as necessary to evaluate AUSL's turnaround services.

**OUTCOMES:** AUSL's services will result in improved teaching and student learning and shall accelerate student achievement at Sherman. AUSL will be evaluated annually based on the specific outcomes, school progress goals and benchmarks identified in the Agreement.

**COMPENSATION:** AUSL shall be paid each year in two equal installments of \$127,037.00 with total compensation not to exceed \$254,074.00 per year. The amount listed reflects a total first year enrollment of 588 students and will be recalculated annually based on the total student enrollment.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include relevant terms and conditions, including

Contingent Liability – Since the School Code of Illinois prohibits the incurring of any liability unless an appropriation has been previously made, expenditures beyond FY07 are deemed to be contingent liability only, subject to appropriation in subsequent fiscal year budgets. 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:



Barbara Eason-Watkins  
Chief Education Officer

Respectfully Submitted:



Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer

Within Appropriation:



Approved as to Legal Form 

