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THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

The Board of Trustees has approved the development of an Early Childhood Virtual Classroom Website for the Office of Language, Cultural, and Early Childhood Education at a cost not to exceed \$74,000. Consultant was selected on a non-competitive basis because of their unique qualifications:

Consultant's qualifications are as follows:
1. Consultant has no other financial or other conflicts of interest.
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Specification No.: 01-250007

CONSULTANT: Brainforest, Inc.
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June 30, 2001

SCOPE OF WORK: Consultant will develop and host an interactive Early Childhood Virtual Classroom Website for the Office of Language, Cultural, and Early Childhood Education. The website will be developed on the CPS website and to include the following core site components: 1) Curriculum Areas where parents and teachers can access relevant Web resources; 2) Current Events Area where parents can find local activities for young children and families; 3) Communications Area (a Chat Room) where parents can communicate with staff within the Office of Language, Cultural, and Early Childhood Education. Content for these areas will be developed and provided by CPS staff. The site will be available to parents and teachers who are unfamiliar with navigating through a web site. The site will be available to parents and teachers who are unfamiliar with navigating through a web site.

COMMENTS: Consultant services will result in the establishment of an interactive website available to parents and teachers which provides video lessons, information, and resources to support Early Childhood Education.

COMPENSATION: Consultant shall be paid as follows: 30% upon signing of the contract; 30% upon approval of final design; and remainder upon delivery of final product. The total compensation shall not exceed \$74,000.

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 the Office of Language and Cultural Affairs to include other relevant terms and conditions in the agreement. Authorize the Office of Language and Cultural Affairs to administer or effectuate this agreement.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: As a condition of this award, this firm agrees to comply with the provisions of the

and agrees to make every effort to achieve the following goals for this program: 10% Hispanic, 2% Asian, 5% WBE and 0% Non-Minority.

is not applicable to this report.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is

Culture (Citywide): \$74,000 Fiscal Year: 2001
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and general fund

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Language and Cultural Affairs
Budget Classification: 0000
Source of Funds: Board general fund

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

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