

**APPROVE EXERCISING THE OPTION TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT
WITH AMERICA'S CHOICE, INC.**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the option to renew the agreement with America's Choice, Inc. to provide consulting

services to select Chicago Public Schools at a cost for the option period not to exceed \$900,000.00. A written

DELIVERABLES: America's Choice Intensive K-8 School Design deliverables include continuing to provide the following:

- First Thirty Days Lessons for Establishing Readers and Writers Workshops
- ~~Five Literacy Initiatives for Leadership: Teachers and one classroom teacher from each grade~~

- Professional development and materials to support the implementation of Routines and Rituals for the Readers Workshop and Writers Workshops, Skills Block, and Genre Studies
- Two Principals Academies and eight half-day Principals Networks

- 30 days of on-site technical assistance and coaching for each school
- Ramp-Up to Middle-Grade Literacy, including 9 days of professional development for middle-grade ELA teachers
- ~~Planning for Results—a unique system for data-driven decision-making that sets performance~~

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

FINANCIAL: Charge to Office of Instructional Design and Assessment: \$800,000.00 FY: 2007-2008
Budget Classification: TBD

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.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board member during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal