

AUTHORIZE NEW AGREEMENTS WITH 9 \$ 5 , 2 8 6 VENDORS FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIBRARY BOOKS, E-BOOKS AND RELATED SERVICES

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Authorize new agreements with various vendors for the purchase of library books, eBooks and related services for all schools at an estimated annual cost set forth in the Compensation Section of this report. Vendors were selected on a competitive basis pursuant to Board Rule 7-3. Written agreements with each vendor are currently being negotiated. No goods may be ordered or received and no payment shall be made to any Vendor prior to the execution of their written agreement. The authority granted herein shall

\$10,000,000 FY24

\$10,000,000 FY25

**OUTCOMES:**

This purchase will result in price discounts and increased choice of library books, e-books and reference books, online ordering and other incentives as outlined in the agreement.

**COMPENSATION:**

Vendor shall be paid in accordance with the unit prices contained in the agreement; Estimated annual costs for the three (3) year term are set forth below:

\$20,000,000 FY23

\$10,000,000 FY24

\$10,000,000 FY25

**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 Chief Education Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:**

Pursuant to the Remedial Program the Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts (M/WBE Program), the goals for this contract are 20% MBE and 5% WBE. The User Group has committed to achieve the Business Diversity goals through the utilization of the certified diverse suppliers and certified diverse subcontractors.

**LSC REVIEW:**

Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL :**

Fund Various Teaching and Learning 10814, All Schools and Departments

\$20,000,000 FY23

\$10,000,000 FY24

\$10,000,000 FY25

Not to exceed \$40,000,000 for the term ending June 30, 2025. Future year funding is contingent upon budget appropriation and approval.

CFDA#: Not Applicable

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

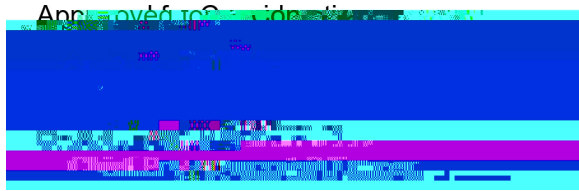
Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel 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 members 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 May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), 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 year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).



1)

Vendor # 63346  
CENGAGE LEARNING, INC.  
10650 TOEBBEN DR  
INDEPENDENCE, KY 41051

Andrea Eshelman

800 354-9706

Ownership: Cengage Learning Holdco, Inc.  
100%

2)

Vendor # 31279  
CHILDREN'S PLUS, INC.  
1387 DUTCH AMERICAN WAY  
BEECHER, IL 60401

John G. Walsh

800 230-1279

Ownership: Kevin Walsh 100%

3)

Vendor # 19546  
COUGHLAN COMPANIES, LLC  
1710 ROE CREST DRIVE  
NORTH MANKATO, MN 56003

Connie Ruyter

800 747-4992

Ownership: Robert J. Coughlan 58.72%,  
Katherine M. Coughlan 10.42%, Maerin a.  
Coughlan 10.42%, Thomas M. Coughlan  
10.42%

4)

Vendor # 97449  
DELANEY EDUCATIONAL ENTERPRISES,  
INC.  
1387 DUTCH AMERICAN WAY  
BEECHER, IL 60401

Joseph Walsh

800 788-5557

Ownership: Children's Plus Inc. 100%

5)

Vendor # 79776  
FOLLETT CONTENT SOLUTIONS, LLC  
1340 RIDGEVIEW DRIVE  
MCHENRY, IL 60050

Kevin Weniger

888 511-5114

Ownership: Follett Content Solutions Holdings,  
LLC 100%

6)

Vendor # 47325  
GL GROUP, INC. DBA BOOKSOURCE  
1230 MACKLIND AVE  
ST LOUIS, MO 63110

Steven Hicks

800 444-0435

Ownership: Neil Jaffe 54.19%, Donna Jaffe,  
Trustee of the GST Trust FBO Donna Jaffe  
22.66%, Neil Jaffe, Trustee of the GST Trust  
FBO Neil Jaffe 22.66%

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| 7) | Vendor # 13125<br><br>HERTZBERG-NEW METHOD, INC. DBA<br>PERMA-BOUND BOOKS<br>617 EAST VANDALIA ROAD<br>JACKSONVILLE, IL 62650<br><br>Tracy Savage<br><br>800 637-6581<br><br><br>Ownership: Orr Family 93.837183% | 10) | Vendor # 94713<br><br>OVERDRIVE, INC.<br>ONE OVERDRIVE WAY<br>CLEVELAND, OH 44125<br><br>Ed Tucker<br><br>216 573-6886<br><br><br>Ownership: KKR and Company, Inc. 100%  |
| 8) | Vendor # 28707<br><br>LEE & LOW BOOKS INCORPORATED<br>95 MADISON AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10016<br><br>Craig Low<br><br>212 779-4400<br><br><br>Ownership: Craig Low 50%, Jason Low 50%                             | 11) | Vendor # 45062<br><br>RAINBOW BOOKS, INC. DBA RAINBOW<br>BOOK COMPANY OF ILLINOIS<br>P.O. BOX 159<br>CRETE, IL 60417<br><br>Michael Beechin<br><br>800 255-0965<br><br><br>Ownership: Children's Plus, Inc. 100% |
| 9) | Vendor # 21757<br><br>MACKIN BOOK COMPANY<br>3505 COUNTY RD 42 WEST<br>BURNSVILLE, MN 55306<br><br>Lynn Bendt<br><br>800 245-9540<br><br><br>Ownership: Kay M Heise 51%, Randal Heise<br>49%                      | 12) | Vendor # 14970<br><br>SCHOLASTIC INC.<br>557 BROADWAY<br>NEW YORK, NY 10012<br><br>Toni Abrahams<br><br>203 797-3846<br><br><br>Ownership: Scholastic Corporation 100%   |