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BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508  
County of Cook and State of Illinois  
FIPSE AND NEH GREAT BOOKS PROGRAM  
WRIGHT COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that there is a need to utilize the services of Dr. Donald Barshis, former Executive Dean of Instruction at Wright College and continue his role as a principal consultant for the Wright College's FIPSE-funded Great Books Program Grant, consult in the phase of the College's related NEH Grant to develop Great Books curricula, and perform the following tasks:

- Assist Project Director in Planning and Implementing two National Conferences for National Great Books Consortium Partners -10 days (5 days in November 2005, 5 days in spring 2006)
- Project Evaluation Activities-research, report writing, interviews, meetings- 6 days (throughout grant period)
- Assist Project Director in Planning and Implementing Local Meetings and Projects with Local Partners (Wright College, Harold Washington College, and Oakton College) - 4 days (2 days in fall 2005, 2 days in spring 2006)
- Review Curriculum Materials and Other Submissions to National Great Books Website includes reading, editing, corresponding with faculty and project staff- 4 days (throughout grant period)
- Assist Project Director in Other Grant Management Activities-preparation for FIPSE reports and director's conferences, liaison work with administration at partner institutions, troubleshooting fiscal issues-4 days (throughout grant period)

that Dr. Barshis possesses the administrative expertise as well as the intimate knowledge of Great Books Programs at both a local and national level to serve as a consultant for both of Wright College's Great Books grants; staff recommends approval to utilize his services during the period of November 3, 2005 through August 31, 2006, \$500/day for 28 days or \$75/hour for 187 hrs. for a total not to exceed the cost \$14,000.00 for the year.

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced consulting opportunity and since Dr. Barshis provides the on-going consistency knowledge and familiarity with the externally-funded Great Books program at Wright College, it is recommended that a waiver from both MBE and WBE goals be approved.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chairman to enter into an agreement with Dr. Donald Barshis to provide consultant services for Wright College for the period of November 3, 2005 through August 31, 2006 in an amount not to exceed the cost of \$14,000.00 for the year.

FINANCIAL

Not to exceed \$14,000.00  
\$10,000.00 FIPSE Grant 103590570 532100-21000-7010150-20000-00000  
\$4,000.00 NEH Grant 703740470 532100-21000-7010150-20000-00000

Respectfully submitted:

Wayne D. Watson  
Chancellor

November 3, 2005-Business Office -Wright College