COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508 -COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS APRIL 6, 2006

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508 County of Cook and State of Illinois

ACCREDITATION AND PEER REVIEW SITE VISITS CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that there is a need to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) for accreditation reviews and peer review site visits of the Child Academic Programs including six degree programs located at Daley, Harold Washington, Kennedy King, Malcolm X and Olive Harvey Colleges; and

that the six degree programs will be participating in this pilot program through NAEYC to develop a system to accredit associate degree early childhood education programs; and the Associate Degree programs will be accredited directly by NAEYC; and

for the past eight months, the six Child Development Programs have been engaged in self-study, the first step towards program accreditation; upon completion of the selfstudy, the self-study reports will be submitted to NAEYC for review and the programs will apply for a peer review site visit;

that the accreditation review services are professional services and are exempt from District's competitive bidding requirements, and

that the fee for each program review is \$2000 including the review of the self-study report, a peer-review visit, and a committee determination whether the programs earns accreditation; and the total cost for this service is \$12,000; and

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that all reports will be submitted between April 10, 2006 and September 30, 2006

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced proposal to provide accreditation reviews and peer review site visits and has determined that there are no M/WBE opportunities; it is recommended that this transaction be granted a waiver from compliance with the Board approved Participation Plan.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chairman to enter into a Professional Services Agreement for the period of April 10, 2006 through September 30, 2006 with the National Association for the Education of Young Children NAEYC for an accreditation reviews and peer review site visits in the amount of \$12,000.

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Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson Chancellor