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

GREAT BOOKS PROGRAM
ARAPAHOE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
WRIGHT COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that there is a need to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Arapahoe Community College to work in conjunction with Wright College to develop and implement a Great Books Program through the FIPSE and NEH Grants; and

that work performed by Arapahoe Community College will include:

- Development and implementation of a Great Books Program at Arapahoe Community College, modeled after the Great Books Curriculum at Wright College, which includes setting up and promoting the Great Books Curriculum on campus, coordinating meetings of faculty among various disciplines, and promoting the Great Books Curriculum.
- Faculty collaborating with five partner institutions on the creation of a broad range of core author readings and pedagogical resources that will be placed on a specially created national website to be headquartered at Wright College and funded through the NEH Grant. Faculty will develop and submit course modules for inclusion on the website.
- Establishment of a local Great Books Curriculum website linked to the national website.
- Attendance at annual FIPSE/NEH meetings sponsored by Wright College to consult with project director, project consultants and Great Books Curriculum faculty, to review progress and to establish continued goals for the project; and

that the proposed contract amount will not exceed \$24,500; and

that this agreement for professional services is exempt from District competitive bidding requirements; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced agreement with Arapahoe Community College and because this is an already established partnership via NEH and FIPSE grants, it is recommended that a full waiver from compliance with the Board approved Participation Plan be granted.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees authorize the Chairman to enter in to an agreement with Arapahoe Community College in the amount of \$24,500.00 for the period of 4/7/2006 through 8/30/06 to provide services in conjunction with Wright College for the Great Books Program.

FINANCIAL

\$20,000-103590670-7010150-20000-23503-532000 Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE)
\$4,500-703740470-7010150-20000-00000-532000 National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

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