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COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

**WILBUR WRIGHT COLLEGE'S NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION-FUNDED FIELD RESEARCH
PROJECT IN KENYA'S ARABUKO-SOKOKE FOREST**

THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:

that the Board of Trustees authorizes the expenditure of \$53,493 for the purpose of sending one faculty member and three students to conduct scientific research in Kenya's Arabuko-Sokoke Forest for the period from June 9, 2011 through July 16, 2011.

VENDORS: Various

USER: Wilbur Wright College

TERM:

The National Science Foundation (NSF) Grant is for the term of 2010 through 2012, with funding for three annual summer research experiences within that time frame. The specific period for FY 2011 is June 9, 2011 through July 16, 2011.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

Wilbur Wright College has been awarded a NSF grant in the amount of \$139,560 to fund summer undergraduate research in Kenya's Arabuko-Sokoke Forest for a three-year period ending summer 2012 (PD# 081005). The project will study habitat changes resulting from resource exploitation on globally threatened birds and has as its collaborator the Kenya Wildlife Service's Biodiversity and Monitoring Division. Selected Wright College students will receive hands-on training in tropical field ecology as well as the opportunity to develop research linkages important in career development.

BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:

Wilbur Wright College's participation in this collaborative research project in Kenya advances the District's goals in the globalization of the curriculum, enhances- student credentials and provides opportunities for students to develop academic and research skills key in educating future generations of scientists and engineers.

City Colleges of Chicago benefits by providing students with a unique opportunity to do research and learn actively in a natural environmental setting. Students of Wright College receive enhanced cultural and scientific learning experiences that go beyond the walls of the classroom. By making presentations to other students upon their return, they also enhance the education of their classmates.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:

Inspector General – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the Inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General’s authority under Article II, Section 2.6.4(b) of the Board Rules for Management and Government.

Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable provisions of the Board’s Ethics Policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.

FINANCIAL:

Airfare		\$9,000
3 Students	\$2250 per person	
1 Faculty Member	\$2250	
Program Costs		\$31,618
3 Students	\$5,842 per person	
1 Faculty Member	\$9,800	
1 Kenya Wildlife Researcher	\$3,542	
2 Field Assistants	\$750	
Visa Fees		\$75
3 Students	\$25 per student	
Cash Contingency Fund		\$6,000
Vehicle Rental and Associated Costs		\$4,800
Project Supplies		\$2,000
FY 2011 Total Expenditures -- Not to exceed \$53,493		

Charge To: Wright College, Natural Science Department

Source Of Funds: Grant Funding

Restricted

FY11: 21000-7010600-00055-00000-105281070-Various Accounts: \$53,493

Respectfully submitted,

**Cheryl L. Hyman
Chancellor**

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