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ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
JUNE 4, 2015

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

PLAGIARISM DETECTION SOFTWARE
IPARADIGMS, LLC (TURNITIN)
OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
(RENEWAL)
DISTRICT WIDE

THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:

that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chair to exercise the option to renew the agreement with iParadigms, LLC, to provide plagiarism detection software for the period commencing no sooner than August 30, 2015, through August 29, 2018, at the total cost not to exceed \$201,360.

VENDOR: IParadigms, LLC (Turnitin)
1111 Broadway, 3rd Floor
Oakland, California 94607

USER: District Wide

ORIGINAL TERM:

The original term of this agreement began on August 30, 2012 and ends on August 29, 2015.

RENEWAL TERM:

The renewal term of the agreement shall commence no sooner than August 30, 2015 and will continue through August 29, 2018.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:

iParadigms, LLC (d/b/a Turnitin) provides software that allows educational institutions to check student work for possible textual matches against internet-available resources and its own proprietary database (the "Service"). Turnitin software allows educators to check students' work for improper citation or potential plagiarism by comparing it against continuously updated databases. Every Originality Report provides instructors with the opportunity to teach their students proper citation methods as well as to safeguard their students' academic integrity. The Turnitin software system will be linked to the City Colleges of Chicago Blackboard software to assure a consistent and accurate platform for the delivery of the anti-plagiarism software across the District.

BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:

The Turnitin software system has been reviewed by the Vice Presidents and the Office of Information Technology and has been deemed as acceptable for use throughout the District. The

software has proven to be effective in assisting faculty in the detection of plagiarism and will further the District's desire to protect and promote academic integrity in its curriculum and students. This 3-year agreement will provide the District with unlimited instructor access, unlimited submission of student papers, email and phone support for all instructors, access to all online and web-based training, professional development resources and will save the District \$103,000 over the course of the 3-year agreement.

VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:

Pursuant to the State law, the purchase of plagiarism detection software is exempt from the District's competitive bidding requirements

MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:

The Office of MBE/WBE Compliance has reviewed the proposed renewal and recommends a continued waiver of the Board Approved Participation Plan due to the nature of the services ("plagiarism detection software") and the absence of subcontract opportunities.

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 2, Section 2.7.4(b) of the Board Bylaws.

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.

Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year.

FINANCIAL:

Total: \$201,360

Charge to: District Wide

Source of Funds: Education Fund

FY16: 540000-00003-0023003-80000

Respectfully submitted,

**Cheryl L. Hyman
Chancellor**

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