This item initiated by the Administration.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends that the Board approve the following professional services contracts:

RFP 923 Authorization to Extend Blanket Contracts with Five Contractors for Fine Arts Education Programming

The Administration is requesting authorization to extend blanket contracts with Arts at Large, Inc., Black Arts Think Tank, Inc., Milwaukee Children's Choir, Inc., Tessa's Black Entertainment and Youth Center, Inc., and Wisconsin Conservatory of Music, Inc. for fine arts education programming. These contractors will continue to be used to deliver, to all students in grades K-12 throughout the District, various fine arts education programs. These programs include, but not limited to: visual art; graphic art; music; dance; theatre; film; photography; band; choir; orchestra; general music; world drumming; guitar; piano; and modern band.

In the fall of 2015, the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, in conjunction with the Office of Human Resources, identified a number of unfilled licensed music and art budgeted FTEs across numerous schools. To remedy this deficiency, a "fill the gaps" initiative was developed to utilize the funds from the vacated budgeted positions as contracted services to serve as temporary arts instruction for students in the spring of 2016. As a result of possible continued vacated budgeted positions for future school years, a RFP was developed to solicit arts programming to fill any gaps which may exist in the District.

The original contracts provided for two one-year options to extend if certain performance metrics were met. These contractors all met the performance metrics codified in their contracts; therefore, MPS is exercising the first option year for each of the contracts.

Each extension will run from October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018. The total cost of each blanket contract for this extension term (as identified in the table below) was determined based on prior use with the District during the 2016 - 2017 school year.

Contractor	Amount
Arts at Large, Inc.	\$1,000,000
Black Arts Think Tank, Inc.	\$350,000
Milwaukee Children's Choir, Inc.	\$350,000
Tessa's Black Entertainment and Youth Center, Inc.	\$350,000
Wisconsin Conservatory of Music, Inc.	\$500,000

Budget Code:

Varies by location using services\$2,550,000

Arts at Large, Inc.

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Required	0%
Proposed	0%
\$ Value	
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT	

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS/12-mo contract

Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS/12-mo contract

Black Arts Think Tank, Inc.

HUB PARTICIPATION

Required		0%
Proposed		0%

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS/12-mo contract Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS/12-mo contract

Milwaukee Children's Choir, Inc.

HUB PARTICIPATION

Required	 0%
Proposed	 0%

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS/12-mo contract Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS/12-mo contract

Tessa's Black Entertainment and Youth Center, Inc.

HUB PARTICIPATION

Required		0%
Proposed	۱	0%
\$ Value		N/A

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS/12-mo contract Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS/12-mo contract

Wisconsin Conservatory of Music, Inc.

HUB PARTICIPATION

Required	0%
Proposed	0%
\$ Value	

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 0 HOURS/12-mo contract Student Career Awareness Commitment: 0 HOURS/12-mo contract

RFP 892 Authorization to Extend Blanket Contracts with Follett School Solutions, Inc. and Mackin Book Company for Library Books and Library Materials

The Administration is requesting authorization to extend the blanket contracts with Follett School Solutions, Inc. ("Follett") and Mackin Book Company d/b/a Mackin Educational Resources ("Mackin") to supply library books and library materials throughout the District.

These contractors were chosen pursuant to RFP 892. The original contracts provided for two one-year options to extend if certain performance metrics were met. Follett and Mackin have both met the performance metrics codified in the contract; therefore, MPS is exercising the second option years for these contracts.

Each contract extension will run from September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018. The total cost of each contract in this extension year will not exceed \$800,000.

Budget Code:

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Follett School Solutions, Inc.

HUB PARTICIPATION

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 300 HOURS/12-mo contract Student Career Awareness Commitment: 10 HOURS/12-mo contract

Mackin Book Company d/b/a Mackin Educational Resources

HUB PARTICIPATION	
Required	5%
Proposed	20%
\$ Value	\$134,390
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT	

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 300 HOURS/12-mo contract Student Career Awareness Commitment: 10 HOURS/12-mo contract

RFP 917 Authorization to Extend a Contract with Marquette University for Cognitive Growth and Supportive Services for Students at Behavioral Reassignment Schools

The Administration is requesting authorization to extend the contract with Marquette University ("Marquette") for cognitive growth and supportive services to students in MPS's four behavioral reassignment schools. Marquette, through its Center for Peacemaking, will continue to use its evidence-based Peace Works curriculum, which focuses on improving social skills, decision-making processes, communication skills, active listening skills, critical observation skills, mediation techniques, anger management skills, self-reflection, self-centering, and problem-solving skills. These weekly sessions support students in areas of socio-emotional development, decision-making, conflict resolution and AODA support. Marquette also provides transition services and professional development for these schools' staff.

These services help students: modify behavior; improve attendance and decrease suspensions through facilitated individual and group sessions meant to help students improve social skills; explore the decision-making process; and promote peaceful relationships so they can succeed when they return to a traditional school setting.

Marquette was chosen pursuant to RFP 917. The original contract provided for two oneyear options to extend if certain performance metrics incorporated into the contract were met. Marquette has met the performance metrics codified in the contract; therefore, MPS is exercising the first option year for the contract.

This first contract extension will run from August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018. The total cost of the contract in this extension year will not exceed \$240,480.

Budget Code:

ARC-0-0-AGN-1S-ECTV ... (Agency Programs – Contracted Services)......\$240,480

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Paid Student Employment Hour Commitment: 100 HOURS/12-mo contract Student Career Awareness Commitment: 10 HOURS/12-mo contract