

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH PRAIRIE GROUP, COLLEGE OF EDUCATION,
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS OF CHICAGO FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into an agreement with the University of Illinois at Chicago, through the Prairie Group,

Areas of focus for each program include the following:

1. Summer of Reading Enhancement: Is a Balanced Literacy curriculum and targeted, differentiated instruction an effective strategy to improve reading skills? How do the program's capacity building elements impact teacher practice? Do the program's parent engagement activities support student learning?

2. Next Grade Prep (Area 15): How does participation in Next Grade Prep impact social-emotional skill

development and student engagement? How do the program's capacity building elements impact teacher

FINANCIAL:

Title 1 grant value for FY12 is TBD

CFDA#: Not Applicable

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Inspector General - Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel