

159 THORNDIKE STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141

April 3, 2018

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

CONTRACT AWARD:

Professional Development

RECOMMENDATION:

That the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for Professional Development; funds to be provided from the General Fund. Procurement procedures for this contract have complied with Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of

Massachusetts

Contractor

Research for Better Teaching

One Acton Place Acton, MA 01720 Period of Contract

7/1/17 - 6/30/18

Amount \$50,000.00

DESCRIPTION:

This contract will provide professional development services

throughout the 2017 -2018 school year.

SUPPORTING DATA:

RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chapter III, Section 12..."motions calling for the appropriation or expenditure of money shall require the affirmative vote of four members."

BUDGET REFERENCES:

ACCOUNT:

53107

Professional Development

FUND:

25000

Grant Fund

ORG:

893660

Deputy Supt Teaching & Learning

Professional Development

PROJ:

SC18731 Title II-A

Respectfully Submitted,

Kenneth N. Salim, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Research For Better Teaching, Inc. (RBT) Contract

Purpose: Professional Development

Amount of Contract: \$50,000

Description/Scope of Services:

This contract supports year four of the High Expertise Teaching (HET) project, a professional development initiative started in FY 2015. During FY 2018, RBT will provide the following:

- The "Studying Skillful Teacher" course for 28 participants
- Administrator and instructional coach professional development in "Criteria for Success"
- Continued training for 2 in-district instructors, which will allow CPS to build capacity to expand its inhouse offerings of the "Studying Skillful Teacher" course.