

Buffalo Fiscal Stability Authority

Resolution No. 03-27

AUTHORIZE BUFFALO SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO MOU WITH BEST

WHEREAS, Chapter 122 of the laws of 2003 permits the Buffalo Fiscal Stability Authority ("BFSA") to review or approve or disapprove contracts or other obligations binding or purporting to bind the City of Buffalo or any covered organization.

WHEREAS, Chapter 122 of the laws of 2003 permits the BFSA to review and approve or disapprove the terms of any proposed settlement of claims against the City or any covered organization in excess of \$50,000.

WHEREAS, in order to carry out the mission of the BFSA, the BFSA will review contracts or other obligations in excess of \$50,000, and

WHEREAS, James M. Kane, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent has submitted a written request dated September 8, 2003 that is attached to this Resolution in which he requests approval to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") with Buffalo Educational Support Team ("BEST"), along with a copy of the MOU dated September 8, 2003 and several other documents, and

WHEREAS, the BFSA was supplied with documents on August 19, 2003 including a Memorandum from Patricia A. Pancoe dated August 8, 2003 that summarizes the reasons for the MOU, and

WHEREAS, the MOU will provide the members of BEST with health insurance, and

WHEREAS, the MOU provides that in exchange for the accommodation made by the District the BEST acknowledges and agrees that its members will receive a 0% pay increase for year 2002-2003, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pancoe, Executive Director of Labor Relations for the Buffalo Public Schools, advised that this MOU must still be ratified by BEST, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kane and Executive Director Johnson have advised the BFSA that there are sufficient funds in the Buffalo School District Budget to provide for the costs associated with this MOU.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the BFSA authorize the Buffalo School District to enter into the MOU with BEST in accordance with the terms of the MOU submitted to the BFSA.
This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Approved September 10, 2003

Richard Tobe
Secretary

Date: _____