

**DENY CONSIDERATION OF CHARTER SCHOOL PROPOSALS**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Deny charter school proposals as indicated in Appendix A.

**DESCRIPTION:** The Charter Schools Law (105 ILCS 5/27A-1 et. seq.) provides that up to 30 charter schools may be operated in the City of Chicago. Proposals to operate charter schools are to be submitted to the Board of Education for evaluation pursuant to the standards set forth in 105 ILCS 5/27A-8, and the Board of Education is to convene a public meeting to obtain information to assist in its decision to grant or deny each proposal and report its action to the State Board of Education. The State Board determines whether the approved charter school proposal and the proposed contract satisfy the provisions of the Charter Schools Law and, if so, certifies the charter school.

The Board of Education has received and evaluated fifteen charter school proposals. Four additional proposals were received on October 1, 2004, but the applicants withdrew their proposals. As required by statute, a public hearing was held on November 15, 2004. The Board hereby denies the charter school proposals indicated in Appendix A. Proposals listed in Appendix B were withdrawn by the applicants.

**TERM OF CHARTER SCHOOLS:** Not applicable.

**LSC REVIEW:** Approval of Local School Councils is not applicable to this report.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS:** Not applicable.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the Director of Charter Schools to issue a letter notifying the Illinois State Board of Education of the action(s) approved hereunder.

**FINANCIAL:** Not applicable.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:** Not applicable.

Approved for Consideration:

Approved:



Barbara J. Eason-Watkins  
Chief Education Officer




Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer

Noted:



John Maiorca  
Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



Ruth Moscovitch  
General Counsel

<b>Appendix A - Charter School Applications Denied</b>			
<b>Name of Applicant Organization</b>	<b>Name of Proposed School</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Reasons for Denial</b>
			<b>Weaknesses in:</b>
W.E.B. DuBois Center for Urban Affairs	Talented Tenth Charter High School	8716 S. Colfax	Curriculum, Management, Governance, Finances, Facility
CRMD Education Company,NFP	The Learning Center	7850 South Chappel	Curriculum, Management, Governance, Finances, Facility
South-East Asia Center	The Bridge International Charter School	1124, 1134 West Ainslie Street, 5120 North Broadway, 1108-1114 West Foster Avenue	Curriculum, Management
Southwest Youth Collaborative	Southwest Youth Collaborative Charter School	6400 S. Kedzie	Curriculum, Management, Governance,
Professionals For The Advancement Of The Arts	The Academy for the Fine Arts Charter School	1128 North Noble	Curriculum, Management, Governance, Finances, Facility
Greater Community Charter High School	Greater Community Charter High School	3545 West Fulton Boulevard (Lucy Flower Campus)	Curriculum, Management, Finances, Governance
The Global Language and Technology Charter School	Global Language and Technology Charter School	513 W. 72nd Street	Curriculum, Management, Governance, Finances, Facility
Next Generation Education	Englewood Air Force Charter School, Calumet Air Force Charter School, Benjamin Wright Raymond Air Force Charter School	6201 S. Stewart	Incomplete
Urban Prep Academies	Urban Prep Charter Academy	7850 S. Chappel	Curriculum, Management, Governance
Back of the Yards Charter School	Back of the Yards Charter School	4953 S. Seely	Curriculum, Governance, Management
<b>Appendix B - Charter School Applications Withdrawn</b>			
<b>Name of Applicant Organization</b>	<b>Name of Proposed School</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Date Withdrawn</b>
Home of Life Development Corporation	Home of Life Tech Charter School	4606 W. Monroe	October 15, 2004
The Peace and Coalition of the Back of the Yards, New City	The Peace and Education Coalition Charter High School	5114 S. Elizabeth Ave./ 4541 S. Wood St.	November 11, 2004
Clara's House Charter School	Clara's House Charter School	1650 W. 62nd Street	October 22, 2004
Stairway to Excellence Incorporated	Stairway to Excellence Charter School	No facility identified	October 31, 2004