## APPROVE SETTLEMENT RECOMMENDATION IN <u>ALBERT BROWN V. HERBERT HEDGEMAN</u>, Circuit Court of Cook County, Law Division, Case No. 02 L 3961

## THE GENERAL COUNSEL REPORTS THE FOLLOWING SETTLEMENT:

**DESCRIPTION:** The Board and Albert Brown, Plaintiff, have agreed to settlement a lawsuit brought by him against Herbert Hedgeman in <u>Albert Brown v. Herbert Hedgeman</u>, Case No. 02 L 3961 (Circuit Court of Cook County, Law Division). The lawsuit related to Albert Brown's claims of slander, invasion of privacy, false light, and reckless infliction of emotional distress. The settlement agreement provides a monetary payment to the Plaintiff Albert Brown and his attorney, James Stamos, in the total amount of \$145,000.00.

LSC REVIEW: LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Charge \$145,000.00 to Law Department

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to execute the Settlement Agreement, and all ancillary documents related thereto.

## **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 necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts - The agreement is not legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board Members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness - The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted July 26, 1995 (95-0726-EX3), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made part of this agreement.

Ethics - The Board's Ethics Code adopted September 27, 1995 (95-0926-RU3), as amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated into and made part of this agreement.

Approved,

MARILYN F. JOHNSO

General Counsel

Within Appropriation:

KENNETH C. GOTSCH

**Chief Fiscal Officer**