

PRE-APPROVED RENAISSANCE 2010 SCHOOL PROPOSALS**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:**

That the Board pre-approve the Renaissance school proposals identified in Appendix A.

DESCRIPTION:

Request for Proposals: In May, 2005, the Board made available a request for proposals to solicit responses from parties interested in starting schools under the Renaissance 2010 initiative. Proposals to operate a performance, contract, and charter schools were submitted to the Board on August 19, 2005. Proposals were evaluated pursuant to the standards set forth in the Board' Renaissance School Policy 05-1026-PO2. The Department of New Schools Development evaluated 57 Renaissance school proposals.

Pre-Approved Status: The proposals identified in the attached Appendix A were reviewed and evaluated to be high quality based on the educational merits, however the proposals could not be presented for final Board approval because of an undetermined school site location. Therefore, in the interim, the Renaissance school proposals indicated in Appendix A are hereby pre-approved for opening in Fall 2006. Proposals listed in Appendix A will be presented for final Board approval once a school site location has been determined.

AUTHORIZATION: For charter school proposals received under the Renaissance Schools Request for Proposals, authorize the Director of Charter Schools to issue a letter notifying the Illinois State Board of Education of the action(s) approved hereunder.

Approved for Consideration:

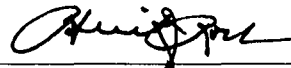
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November 16, 2005

Appendix A – Pre-Approved Renaissance 2010 Proposals

Name of Applicant Organization	Name of Proposed School	First Year Grades Served	Est. First Year Enrollment	Grades Served at Capacity	Enrollment at Capacity	Address	School Type
Chicago Charter School Foundation	Chicago International Charter School - Campus	9-10	400	9-12	900	TBD	Charter
Concept Schools	Metropolitan Academy of Science	7-8	225	7-12	525	TBD	Contract
University of Chicago Charter School	University of Chicago Charter School- High School Campus	6 and 9	160	6-12	590	TBD	Charter
21st Century Charter School	21 st Century Charter School	Pre-K -4	364	Pre – K -8	598	TBD	Charter