

**AMEND BOARD REPORT 03-0225-RS07**  
**AMEND BOARD REPORT 00-1115-RS7**  
**AMEND BOARD REPORT 96-1120-RS7**  
**RESOLUTION RE: HONORARY STUDENT MEMBER OF THE**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the City of Chicago recognizes its responsibility to ensure a quality education for the youth of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the student population possesses unique insight and valuable information concerning the process of education at its most fundamental level, the classroom; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board is determined to improve communication opportunities between students and board members and administrators; and

**WHEREAS**, a better informed and more involved student population is a significant contribution to the improvement of education in the community;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Board of Education of the City of Chicago shall appoint a ~~duly elected~~ representative of the high school elected student leadership as an Honorary Student Member of the Board of Education in accordance with the following parameters:

- The office shall be an honorary, non-voting office.
- The Honorary Student Board Member will receive a \$1,000.00 scholarship awarded when the student is admitted and attending a two or four year college or university.
- To be eligible to serve as an Honorary Student Board Member a student shall be in grades 11 or 12 and shall have been elected by the student body of his/her school to serve as LSC student representative or student council president, vice-president, treasurer or secretary, or junior or senior class officer.
- To be eligible to serve as an Honorary Student Board Member, a student shall have and maintain a minimum overall grade point average of 3.0, an attendance rate of at least 90%, and no history of incidents of misconduct or violations of the Uniform Discipline Code Student Code of Conduct.
- ~~Eligible students shall select three candidates for the office of Honorary Student Board Member pursuant to a non-binding advisory poll under the direction of the Chief Executive Officer or his designee. The selection shall take place in May before the graduation or expiration of the term of office of the current Honorary Student Board Member. The Board of Education shall have final authority concerning the selection of the Honorary Student Board Member from among the three candidates selected pursuant to the student advisory poll.~~
- To be considered for the office the eligible student must submit an application provided by the Board and current resume.
- The Board will select ten applicants to interview. The applicants to be interviewed will be selected based upon the applicants written responses in the Candidate Application.
- The Board of Education shall have the final authority and discretion concerning the selection of the Honorary Student Board Member.
- ~~All students meeting the above criteria shall be eligible to vote in the student advisory poll. Any student eligible to vote shall be eligible to serve as Honorary Student Board Member. The Honorary Student Board Member shall be seated~~ selected annually by the in September October Board Meeting and serve for one school year.
- The Honorary Student Board Member will be invited to attend the public business portion of all Board Meetings between October and June.
- A written release, signed by the parent or guardian, will be required before a minor Honorary Student Board Member is seated.

- The Board Secretary shall provide a schedule of Board meetings to the student selected to serve as Honorary Student Board Member, the student's parent(s) or guardian(s) and the principal of his/her school.
- The term of office of the Honorary Student Board Member shall expire ~~upon the seating of a successor;~~ at the end of the school year in which the Honorary Student Board Member was appointed, the expiration of the student's term as a student leader at his/her school, or his/her graduation, whichever first occurs.
- All vacancies in the office of Honorary Student Board Member shall be filled by the Board for the unexpired portion of the member's term ~~filled pursuant to a non-binding advisory poll of eligible high school students, as specified above for the unexpired term.~~

The Honorary Student Board Member shall:

- Serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Education on issues of concern to students.
- ~~Provide two reports to the Board outlining current student issues.~~
- Serve as liaison between the Chicago Public School student representatives and the Board of Education.
- Convene and lead two Student Leadership Forums to discuss and report to the Board issues important to Chicago Public School students. One Forum will be convened in December/January and the other Forum convened in May/April of the school year in which they serve. The Reports to the Board shall be made the month following each Forum.
- Commit to spending 15-20 hours a month on Student Board Member projects or initiatives.