

August 26, 2009

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE CHICAGO MULTILINGUAL PARENTS COUNCIL TO A ONE YEAR TERM

WHEREAS, section 14C-10 of the Illinois School Code directs Illinois school districts to provide for the maximum practical involvement of parents of children in transitional bilingual education programs; and

WHEREAS, section 14C-10, accordingly, empowers and directs the Board of Education of the City of Chicago to establish a parent advisory committee which affords parents the opportunity to effectively express their views and which ensures that its transitional bilingual education programs are planned, operated and evaluated with the involvement of, and in consultation with, parents of children served by those programs; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 14C-10, the Board previously created the Chicago Multilingual Parents Council (CMPC) to serve in an advisory capacity to the Board on issues related to the development, implementation and evaluation of its transitional bilingual education programs; and

WHEREAS, the Board has adopted the By-laws and Operational Guidelines of the CMPC, providing for nine (9) parent delegates from the six clusters of the CPS elected by the presidents of local school bilingual advisory councils; three (3) at-large parent delegates, six (6) community delegates from the six CPS clusters, and three (3) at-large bilingual education personnel delegates appointed by the Board; and

WHEREAS, on May 27, 2009 the Board adopted a Resolution approving the election and appointment of new delegates to the CMPC; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the By-laws and Operational Guidelines of the CMPC, the Chief Executive Officer has recommended that Patricia Martinez be appointed the next president of the CMPC; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the By-laws and Operational Guidelines of the CMPC, the Board is to appoint the candidate recommended by the Chief Executive Officer as the next president of the CMPC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and members of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, gathered here this 26th day of August 2009, do hereby approve and appoint Patricia Martinez as President of the Chicago Multilingual Parents Council, to serve a one year term, pursuant to the By-laws and Operational Guidelines of the CMPC, commencing on the date of its first regular meeting for the 2009 -2010 school year.