

**APPROVE ENTERING INTO AMENDED AND RESTATED CHARTER SCHOOL AGREEMENTS WITH
VARIOUS CHARTER SCHOOLS**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve entering into amended and restated Charter School Agreements with the charter schools listed herein to incorporate revisions to the Charter School Agreement and Accountability Plan. Written amended and restated charter school agreements are currently being negotiated. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind as to each Charter School in the event their amended and restated Charter School Agreement is not executed by the Board and the charter school's governing board within 120 days of the date of this Board Report. The agreements authorized herein will only take effect upon certification by the Illinois State Board of Education. Information pertinent to these agreements is stated below.

CHARTER SCHOOLS:

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| <p>1. Amandla Charter School
6800 S. Stewart Avenue
Chicago, IL 60621
Phone: (773) 396-8022
Contact: Erin Ferguson, Principal</p> | <p>2. Architecture, Construction and Engineering
Technical Charter School
5410 S. State Street
Chicago, IL 60609
Phone: (773) 548-8705
Contact Person: Geri Harston, Executive
Director</p> |
| <p>3. ASPIRA Charter School
c/o ASPIRA Inc. of Illinois
2415 N. Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago, IL 60647
Phone: (773) 252-0970
Contact Person: Jose Rodriguez</p> | <p>4. Betty Shabazz International Charter School
7823 S. Ellis
Chicago, IL 60616
Phone: (773) 651-1221
Contact Person: Dr. Elaine Mosley, Head of
School</p> |
| <p>5. Bronzeville Lighthouse Charter School
8 West Root Street
Chicago, IL 60651
Phone: (508) 626-0901
Contact Person: Mark Culliton</p> | <p>6. Catalyst Charter School - Howland
1616 S. Spaulding
Chicago, IL 60623
Phone: (312) 787-2870
Contact Person: Michael Fehrenbach</p> |
| <p>7. Chicago Math and Science Academy
Charter School
7212 N. Clark
Chicago, IL 60626
Phone: (773) 761-8960
Contact Person: Ali Yilmaz, Principal</p> | <p>8. Chicago Virtual Charter School
38 S. Peoria
Chicago, IL 60607
Phone: (406) 599-0769
Contact Person: Peter Stewart</p> |
| <p>9. Henry Ford Academies of Illinois, NFP
931 S. Homan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60624
Phone: (312) 558-1690
Contact: Kathryn M. Vanden Berk</p> | <p>10. KIPP Ascend Charter School
715 S. Kildare Avenue
Chicago, IL 60624
Phone: (773) 533-1770
Contact Person: Jim O'Connor, Founding
School Leader</p> |
| <p>11. Namaste Charter School
3737 S. Paulina Avenue
Chicago, IL 60609
Phone: (773) 715-9558
Contact Person, Allison Slade, Principal</p> | <p>12. North Lawndale College Preparatory
Charter High School
1615 S. Christiana
Phone: (773) 542-1490
Contact Person: John Horan, Director of
Planning</p> |

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| <p>13. Passages Charter School
Charter Holder: Asian Human Services
4753 N. Broadway
Chicago IL 60640
Phone: (773) 728-2235
Contact Person: Abha Pandya, CEO of AHS</p> <p>15. Polaris Charter Academy
620 N. Sawyer
Chicago, IL 60624
Phone: (708) 660-0301
Contact Person: Michelle Navarro, Principal</p> <p>17. The University of Chicago Charter School Corporation c/o Center for Urban School Improvement
1313 E. 60th Street
Chicago, IL 60637
Phone: (773) 702-0663
Contact Person: Linda Wing, Deputy Director</p> <p>19. Youth Connection Charter School
10 W. 35th Street
Chicago, IL 60616
Phone: (312) 328-0799
Contact Person: Sheila Venson, Executive Director</p> <p>21. LEARN Charter School
1132 S. Homan Avenue
Chicago, IL 60624
Phone: (773) 826-6330
Contact Person: Courtney Francis</p> | <p>14. Perspectives Charter School
601 S. LaSalle Street, Suite 700
Chicago, IL 60605
Phone: (312) 604-2123
Contact Person: Rhonda Hopps, CEO</p> <p>16. Providence-Englewood Charter School
6515 S. Ashland
Chicago, IL 60636
Phone: (773) 722-4600
Contact Person: Paul Adams</p> <p>18. Urban Prep Academies Inc.
420 N. Wabash, Suite 203
Chicago, IL 60611
Phone: (312) 276-0259
Contact Person: Tim King, Founder and CEO</p> <p>20. Chicago Charter School Foundation
228 S. Wabash, Suite 500
Chicago, IL 60604
Phone: (312) 651-5000
Contact Person: Dr. Elizabeth Purvis, Director</p> <p>22. Alain Locke Charter Academy Charter School
3141 W. Jackson
Chicago, IL 60612
Phone: (773) 265-7230
Contact Person: Lennie Jones, Principal</p> |
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OVERSIGHT: Office of New Schools
125 S. Clark Street, 5th Floor
Chicago, IL 60603
773-553-1530
Contact Person: Jaime Guzman, Acting Executive Officer

CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSAL: The Office of New Schools proposes to amend the existing Charter School Agreements for the aforementioned charter schools to adopt revisions to the Charter School Agreement and Accountability Plan. The Charter School Accountability Plan has been revised to align with the Board's standards for evaluation of student performance. The execution of amended and restated Charter School Agreements will further the goal of uniformity in performance measurement, accountability and other terms and conditions among all Charter Schools. A public hearing on the proposed changes was held on Thursday, May 13, 2010. The hearing was recorded and a summary report is available for review.

RENEWAL TERM: Each amended and reinstated agreement shall commence on July 1, 2010 and shall end on the date set forth in the each Charter School's current agreement.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include relevant terms and conditions, including any indemnities to be provided to the charter school, in the written amended and restated Charter School Agreements which shall reflect resolution of any and all outstanding issues between the Board and the governing body of the charter school including, but not limited to: site location, enrollment, funding, educational program, financial controls and practices, academic accountability and evaluations.

Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the amended and restated Charter School Agreements. Authorize the Executive Officer of the Office of New Schools to issue a letter notifying the Illinois State Board of Education of the action(s) approved hereunder and to submit the approved proposal and signed amended and restated Charter School Agreement to the Illinois State Board of Education for certification.

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

FINANCIAL: There are no financial implications with respect to the amended and restated Charter School Agreements. The financial implications of the operation of the charter schools listed herein are addressed in the Board Reports specific to each charter school.

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 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 shall not be 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 June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted June 23, 2004 (04-0623-PO4), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Approved:



Barbara J. Eason-Watkins
Chief Education Officer

Within Appropriation:



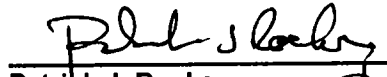
Diana Ferguson
Chief Financial Officer

Respectfully submitted:



Ron Huberman
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel