

November 16, 2011

**APPROVE PAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR ROBERT REYNOLDS TO PARTICIPATE IN  
THE FULBRIGHT PROGRAM IN FINLAND**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Pursuant to Board Rule 4-1(a)(9), the Chief Executive Officer has approved an academic year paid leave of absence (January 1, 2012 – June 30, 2012 ) for Robert Reynolds, a member of the teaching force, to participate in the Fulbright Program in Finland.

**DESCRIPTION:** The Fulbright Program provides opportunities for qualified Chicago Public Schools (CPS) educators to undertake graduate study, advanced research, university teaching, and/or teaching in elementary and secondary schools in other countries for a designated period of time with full pay and position security.

Robert Reynolds, a sixth grade science teacher at the Mary G. Peterson School, applied and was selected by the Fulbright Program to research effective middle school mathematics instruction in Finland. Mr. Reynolds will observe mathematics instruction, conduct research, undertake coursework, and potentially provide professional development. The Board of Education will pay Mr. Reynolds his regular base salary during the period of the leave (January 1, 2012 – June 30, 2012) and maintain all of his benefits. At the conclusion of his leave, Mr. Reynolds will return to his position at the Mary G. Peterson School. The principal of Mary G. Peterson School, Adam Parrot-Sheffer, approved the teacher's participation in the program.

**LSC REVIEW:** Not applicable

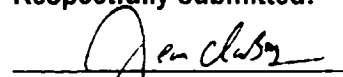
**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS:** Not applicable

**FINANCIAL:** The teacher on Fulbright leave (Mr. Reynolds) will receive the basic salary which such members of the teaching force would have received if in actual service in the Chicago Public Schools and maintain all of his employment benefits.

Approved:

  
 NOEMI DONOSO  
 Chief Education Officer

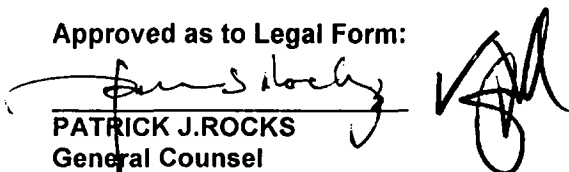
Respectfully submitted:

  
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 Chief Executive Officer

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 Chief Financial Officer

Approved as to Legal Form:

  
 PATRICK J. ROCKS  
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