CLOSE GRANVILLE T. WOODS MATH & SCIENCE ACADEMY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ADJUST THE ATTENDANCE AREAS OF PERKINS BASS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ANNA R. LANGFORD COMMUNITY ACADEMY, AND NICHOLSON TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS:

That effective June 30, 2013, the Chicago Board of Education close Granville T. Woods Math & Science Academy Elementary School (School ID 610285) ("Woods"), located at 6206 South Racine Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, for space utilization reasons, reassign returning Woods students to Perkins Bass Elementary School (School ID 609791) ("Bass"), located at 1140 West 66th Street, Chicago, Illinois, and that the attendance areas of Bass, Anna R. Langford Community Academy (School ID 609869) ("Langford"), located at 6010 South Throop Street, Chicago, Illinois, and Nicholson Technology Academy (School ID 609793) ("Nicholson"), located at 6006 South Peoria Street, Chicago, Illinois, be adjusted to include the Woods attendance area.

DESCRIPTION:

Pursuant to the Illinois School Code Sections 34-200 through 34-232, the Chief Executive Officer's Guidelines for School Actions, and the Board of Education's Policy on the Review and Establishment of School Attendance Boundaries, 05-0622-PO1, the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of the Chicago Public Schools may recommend the closing of schools and the adjustment of school attendance boundaries.

Pursuant to legal requirements, two community meetings were convened on April 9, 2013, and April 13, 2013, at Harper High School, located at 6520 South Wood Street, Chicago, Illinois, and a public hearing was convened on April 18, 2013, at 125 South Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, following the issuance of proper notice. An independent hearing officer received oral and written comments and supporting documents at the hearing and kept the record open after the meeting to receive additional written comments or documentation. A transcript of the hearing and summaries of the community meetings have been provided to the Board. The hearing officer reported that the CEO's proposal met the requirements of the law and summarized comments and written documentation received. After receiving the hearing officer's report, the CEO has decided to recommend that the Board close Woods effective June 30, 2013, reassign Woods' returning students to Bass, and assign Woods' attendance area to Bass, Langford, and Nicholson.

Further, pursuant to the Board of Education's Policy on the Review and Establishment of School Attendance Boundaries, 05-0622-PO1, an additional public hearing was held to discuss the attendance area boundary change. The meeting was held on May 15, 2013, at Simeon High School, located at 8147 South Vincennes Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of Perkins Bass Elementary School (School ID 609791)

1140 West 66th Street, Chicago, Illinois Effective June 30, 2013, for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Beginning at Ashland Ave and 63rd St East to Morgan St South to 65th St East to Sangamon St South to Marquette Rd West to Aberdeen St South to 68th St West to Loomis Blvd North to Marquette Rd West to Ashland Ave.

North to the starting point

Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of Anna R. Langford Community Academy (School ID 609869)

6010 South Throop Street, Chicago, Illinois Effective June 30, 2013, for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Beginning at Wood St and 58th St East to Paulina St North to 56th St East to Justine St South to 58th St East to Loomis Blvd South to 59th ST

East to Racine Ave

South to 63rd St

West to Ashland Ave

North to 59th St

West to Wood St

North to the starting point

Adjust Attendance Area Boundary of Nicholson Technology Academy (School ID 609793)

6006 South Peoria Street, Chicago, Illinois Effective June 30, 2013, for grades Kindergarten through eighth;

Beginning at Justine St and 56th St

East to Throop St

North to Garfield Blvd

East to Racine Ave

South to 57th St

East to Aberdeen St

South to 58th St

East to Wallace St

South to 59th St

East to the Dan Ryan Expy

South to 61st Pl

West to Stewart Ave

South to 62nd St

West to Normal Blvd

South to 63rd St

West to Union Ave

North to Halsted Pkwy

West to Halsted St

South to 63rd St

West to Racine Ave

North to 59th St

West to Loomis Blvd

North to 58th St

West to Justine St

North to the starting point

LSC IMPLICATIONS: Woods' Local School Council will be dissolved effective June 30, 2013, upon the closing of Woods.

FINANCIAL: The financial implications associated with this school action will be addressed during the development of the fiscal year 2014 budget. Since the School Code of Illinois prohibits the incurring of any liability unless an appropriation has been previously made, expenditures beyond FY13 are deemed to be contingent liabilities only, subject to appropriation in subsequent fiscal year budgets.

PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS: The employment status of all faculty and staff members currently assigned to the schools affected by this authorization will be determined pursuant to Board policies and any collective bargaining agreements.

Approved for Consideration:

Respectfully Submitted:

Todd Babbitz Chief Transformation Offic

Bennet/ HAB Barbara Byrd-Bennett **Chief Executive Officer**

Approved as to Legal Form:

James Bebley

General Counsel