

AMEND BOARD REPORT 13-0424-EX15
APPROVE THE GRANTING OF A CHARTER AND ENTERING INTO A CHARTER SCHOOL
AGREEMENT WITH CHICAGO COLLEGIATE, INC., AN ILLINOIS NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the granting of a charter and entering into a Charter School Agreement with Chicago Collegiate, Inc. for a five-year period. The Charter School Agreement is currently being negotiated. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written 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 agreement authorized herein will only take effect upon certification by the Illinois State Board of Education.

This August 2017 amendment is necessary to authorize the temporary relocation of the 9th grade to an independent facility at 10909 S. Cottage Grove beginning in the fall of 2017. This Board approval of the temporary site is contingent upon the subsequent approval of the facility by the CPS Facilities Department which shall include, without limitation, the receipt of all necessary zoning and occupancy permits and health and safety approvals for that site. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written amendment to the Charter School Agreement is not executed by the Board and the charter school's governing board within 120 days of the date of this amended Board Report.

This August 2017 amendment is also necessary to authorize the addition of grades K-3 to the grades served at the charter school and an increase in the maximum enrollment of the charter school by 220 students to 850 students beginning in the fall of 2018. The addition of grades K-3 to the grades served at the charter school and corresponding changes to enrollment are contingent upon the renewal of the Charter School Agreement with Chicago Collegiate, Inc. upon expiration of this term ending June 30, 2018.

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CHARTER SCHOOL: Chicago Collegiate Charter School
 11816 S. Indiana &
10909 S. Cottage Grove (9th grade only-2017-18 school year)
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DESCRIPTION: The Charter Schools Law (105 ILCS 5/27A-1 et seq., as amended) provides that up to 70 charter schools may be operated in the City of Chicago. Proposals to operate charter schools are submitted to the Board for evaluation pursuant to the standards set forth in 105 ILCS 5/27A-8, and the Board convenes a public meeting to obtain information to assist in its decision to grant or deny each proposal and report its action to the Illinois State Board of Education. The State Board determines whether the approved charter school proposal and the proposed contract satisfy the provisions of the Charter Schools Law and, if so, certifies the charter school.

CHARTER APPLICATION PROPOSAL: The Chicago Collegiate Charter School (Chicago Collegiate) proposal was submitted by Chicago Collegiate, Inc. and received by the Board in August 2012. Chicago Collegiate's mission is to equip all students in grades four through twelve with the academic skills, intellectual habits, and character traits to succeed in the college of their choice, lead in their communities, and change the world. Chicago Collegiate uses a unique, expanded middle school model that starts at grade four, allowing the school to address students' growing literacy gap before they take on the demands of a true middle school curriculum. The research-based school design builds on the practices of the most successful schools in the country that serve low-income students from minority backgrounds and emphasize securing admission to and success through college. The school is slated to open in the fall of 2013 serving a maximum of 140 students in grades 4 and 5. The school will add grades in subsequent years with an at capacity enrollment of 630 students in grades 4-12. The school will be located in an independent facility at 11816 S. Indiana. Public hearings on charter school submissions submitted in 2012, as required by statute, were held on December 13, 2012.

In March 2013, Chicago Collegiate Inc. identified the independent facility at 11816 S. Indiana as the location for Chicago Collegiate Charter School, which will open in the fall of 2013. A public hearing on this proposed address was held on April 15, 2013. The hearing was recorded and a summary report is available for review.

In February 2017, Chicago Collegiate, Inc. submitted an application for amendment to temporarily relocate the 9th grade to an independent facility at 10909 S. Cottage Grove beginning in the fall of 2017. This Board approval of the temporary site is contingent upon the subsequent approval of the facility by the CPS Facilities Department which shall include, without limitation, the receipt of all necessary zoning and occupancy permits and health and safety approvals for that site.

Chicago Collegiate, Inc. also included in its application for amendment a request to add grades K-3 to the grades served at the charter school and to increase the maximum enrollment of the charter school by 220 students to 850 students beginning in the fall of 2018. The addition of grades K-3 to the grades served at the charter school and corresponding changes to enrollment are contingent upon the renewal of the Charter School Agreement with Chicago Collegiate, Inc. upon expiration of this term ending June 30, 2018.

A public hearing on the proposed changes was held on Monday, August 21, 2017. The hearing was recorded and a summary report is available for review.

TERM: The term of the Chicago Collegiate charter and agreement shall commence July 1, 2013 and end June 30, 2018.

AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include relevant terms and conditions, including any indemnities to be provided to the charter school, in the written Charter School Agreement and amendment, 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, educational program, financial controls and practices, academic accountability and evaluations. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the written Charter School Agreement and amendment. Authorize the Executive Director of the Office of New Schools Innovation and Incubation 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 Charter School Agreement to the Illinois State Board of Education for certification.

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

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Not applicable.

FINANCIAL: The financial implications will be addressed during the development of the 2017-2018 fiscal year budget. Since the School Code of Illinois prohibits the incurring of any liability unless an appropriation has been previously made, expenditures beyond FY18 are deemed to be contingent liabilities only, subject to appropriation in subsequent fiscal year budgets.

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.

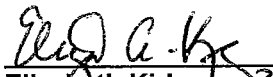
Conflicts - The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the Provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3, which restricts the employment of, or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one-year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness - The Board's indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, ~~2006~~1996 (96-0626-P03), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

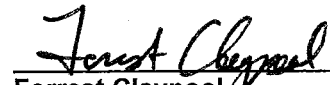
Ethics — The Board's Ethics Code adopted May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), as amended from time to time shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Approved for Consideration:

Approved:



Elizabeth Kirby
Chief of School Strategy and Planning



Forrest Claypool
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to Legal Form: 



Ronald L. Marmer
General Counsel